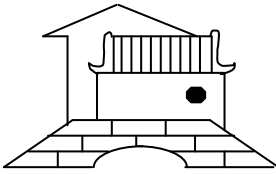


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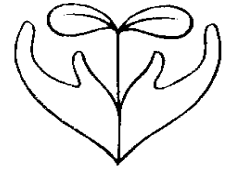


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*Yu Miao Newsletter*

Jan. 8, 2009

新年快樂

Dear Parents,

**Happy 2009**, I wish you all had a warm and peaceful holiday and enjoyed the beautiful white Christmas together with your family. I guess you also value the intimate time with your kid during this unexpected holiday. Once again, may I express my thankfulness to all your understanding during the school closure and the support from and all the teachers especially Teacher Wendy when I was in vacation.

New Year is a good time for resolution, I hope you are just like me – looking forward to an exciting picture of our children's future growth: taller, stronger, smarter, better and speak more Chinese. Watching a child grow is an amazing process and making a difference could well depend on the parents' and the teachers' endeavor. Let's all of us work closely to bring up a bunch of good sprouts (*Miao*).

Owing to the snow storm, we postpone the Parents' Meeting and the Pot luck Lunch Party to this Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> (Thu.) to celebrate our Chinese New Year. Again, no lunch box but have your child brought a dish to share even you cannot come. Please inform Emily Howard (P2 Ellie's mom) at [ehoward@assisisoft.com](mailto:ehoward@assisisoft.com) about the dish you want to bring. The school will also provide some fried rice and noodles. We will brief about the annual assessment in the Parents' meeting (please remember that the assessment will be carried out in a continuous observation and only serves as a tool for us to improve our teaching as well as a record of learning development of your child). Another agenda is about our Field Trip in May, please inform me about your great idea and if you can help organizing this field trip with us.

The coming up Chinese New Year is a big festival event in the Portland Chinese Community; our **P2 students** are invited to perform in the **Chinese New Year Cultural Fair** at the Convention Center on Jan. 24 (Sat.). P1 students are also encouraged to go to the Fair to enhance the cultural experience. Detail information will be sent to you as soon as everything is confirmed. Participating in this event will make the Chinese New Year a lively and joyful experience for the children. I sincerely hope that you won't miss it. We look forward to celebrating the Year of Ox with you all.



Best Regards,

*Edith*

Yu Miao Administrator

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*The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.*

-----Chinese Proverb-----