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Dear Parents, Caregivers & Students

2023: This year, I am very proud of each and every one of the student for their achievement in learning Chinese. Our students not only worked well in the classroom but were also willing to give themselves a challenge. There are 16 students from the youngest year 1 student to year 11 who have participated in the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK/YCT) in November. This certificate of exam is recognised worldwide and is a testament to our students' Chinese language learning. I am very much looking forward to the 2024 school year as we continue to explore and learn Chinese language and culture program together.

As 2023 draws to a close, I am saddened to announce the departure of Ms. Yeh, who is leaving us after 18 years (started Term 3, 2005) of working with us. On behalf of the teachers, parents, and students, I like to thank her for her dedication and contribution as a teacher and as the vice principal for the school. We wish her well and luck for her future endeavours!



Message from Ms. Yeh



Dear Parents & Friends,

I am deeply grateful as I reflect on the past decade spent working at our language school. I sincerely thank the school principal for allowing me to open the doors of Chinese language education in our community. Amidst their hectic schedules, I am also immensely thankful to the parents for placing their trust in us and the students' unwavering determination to learn the Chinese language.

Teaching a non-mainstream language in this region has posed its challenges, and I am grateful for the support and encouragement I have received. Beginning next year, I will assume the role of Head of the LOTE department at TIGS, necessitating a more significant time commitment. Unfortunately, this means I can only devote so much time to after-school teaching.

I kindly ask for your understanding and support during this transition. It has been a privilege to be part of this Community, and I eagerly anticipate continuing to contribute to language education in our community in this new capacity. Thank you once again for your trust and understanding.



On 2nd of November, accompanied by our vice president Mr. Lee from school committee and staff Ms. Sun, we attended the Association of Community Language Schools (ACLS)' 40th Anniversary Dinner. *The South Coast Chinese Language School* received a "Honorary Lifelong Membership Award" in appreciation of dedicated membership of ACLS and longstanding commitment to the teaching of Chinese language and culture in the Illawarra. And, I am very humble to be elected as the president of the committee of the ACLS, effective immediately.

A reminder to our parents that today is our last day of term 4.

In 2024, the first day of school for students is on Friday, 9th of February. More information will be emailed to the parents for welcome the new semester year / the year of the Dragon!

In 2024, with accreditation from the Community Language Program (CLP), we will be enrolling preschool students. The classes that will be offered in 2024: Preschool & Kindy / Stage 1 to Stage 3 / High School class. Enrolment is open **NOW**, please scan the following QR Code, fill out the 2024 enrolment form and return it by 26 January 2024, then you can receive a 10% discount on your Term 1 school fees.



Student progress reports were handed to students to take home last week. I have personally read each report and I am very proud of the students' achievement and progress made this year. Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns about your child's learning or Chinese school.



The Chinese school has created a group for our parents in order to get instant message. Please add us in your phone:



Open this link to join my WhatsApp Group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HPH0vXsEctFHwt5rhHSMOt>

The year 2023 came to a close with the yearly presentation assembly today. I would like to put a special thanks to our staff for your hard work and dedication; also to our parents for your continued supports in making it possible for your children to study at the *South Coast Chinese Language School*. Thank you!



Congratulations to all our award recipients at today's Presentation Assembly.

Academic Awards:

Stage K/1: Christian Hwang
Stage 2/3: Charlotte Hwang
High School: Lewis The

Achievement Awards:

Stage K/1: Hadley Hammond
Stage 2/3: Amy Tang
High School: Ailin Tham

2024 Principal **Scholarship** Recipient ~ Christian Hwang

Christian is a patient and polite student who is meticulous in his work. He is always attentive in class and participates very actively in all class activities and completes his weekly homework. Christian is friendly, unassuming, and willing to help his classmates. He is well-loved by both teacher and peers. Congratulations Christian!





Road Safety Reminder

It is timely to remind students and parents to follow the road safety rules before and after school. It is against the traffic law to drop your child off while your car is still on the road. You must *stop and look out for pedestrians on the road*. Please pay particular attention to responsible and safe road crossing when you drop and/or pickup your child/ren from the school. Thank you for your support into this matter.



The school fees remain at \$120 per student per term in 2024. A penalty fee of \$10 will be charged for the delayed payment of the school fees later than week 3 of each school term!

The payment can be done through the following options:

- (1) Cash - please clearly write student's name on the envelop
- (2) Direct deposit to school account - BSB: 802 249 Account Number: 24990 5547 Account Name: South Coast Chinese Language School



Our school is officially registered and approved as the Creative Kids Provider. We accept the voucher to be used for payment of school fees.



Class Teachers Report

Stage K/1 ~ Ms. Sun

First, I would like to thank all parents and caregivers for all your help and support this term.

All students have worked hard in class to practise and develop their language abilities. They have all shown a great interest in learning Chinese.

Our theme this term was "Family". Students focused on developing the linguistic knowledge and skills that will enable them to use Chinese to talk about family members and relatives, such as the ability to introduce family members and describe their occupations. They were

able to create and ask questions, respond effectively to communicate answers, and provide descriptions as to where their relatives live.

During our classes, we also engaged in many class activities to assist with language learning and development, which included using audio-visual resources, such as Youtube video clips. The clips are very useful because students can continue watching them at home. We used play dough to create new words to help students to recognise Chinese characters. We also played games to support vocabulary development, such as find the words, and egg hunt. Activities such as these help students practice speaking and listening, and also provide a great way to review what we learn in the class.

I'm pleased to see that all students participated and engaged very actively in all class activities, and they made good attempts to complete all the worksheet exercises.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. See you next year.

Stage 2 & 3 ~ Ms. Chen

I am teaching a mixed-level class this term since Ms. Tan is away. Students were divided into two groups based on their language abilities. Even though we learnt the same topics, students worked on different worksheets which were age-appropriate and suited to their language level.

Our theme this term is *My Family*. Students' listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills were honed through a variety of language practice tasks and activities such as Questions & Answers (Q&A), PPT games, video clips, home reader, and written classwork.

I would encourage students to complete their assigned homework / tasks weekly. School is the place to learn, however, home will be the best place where they can apply everything that they have learnt in school. Remember, school learning + home learning = magic learning!

Well done, Class 2/3! Keep up your great work and strive for higher standards in the future! I wish you all a safe and joyous holiday! Hope to see you all again in 2024!

High School ~ Ms. Yeh

As the semester swiftly draws to a close, we reflect on the dedicated efforts put forth by all in preparing for HSK 2 & 3. We commend your hard work and hope for the realization of your desired outcomes. This term, our focus shifted to the intricate art of describing family members in detailed Chinese. China's rich culture places great importance on family ties, yet the nuances of familial titles remain challenging.

Additionally, we explored the emotional nuances in a Chinese pop song, delving into more sophisticated ways of articulating feelings. As you continue to broaden your linguistic and cultural horizons, may your journey be filled with discovery and growth.

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WHAT TO BRING: Water bottle, Lunch, enclosed of bus
 LATE PICK UP: 4:00PM pick up available for \$12
 AMAZING DISCOUNT: 5 days for \$200

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Nov 19th December	Brigsteil, Parkes, Murrumbidgee	Nov 19th January	**Hart Hills, Tuggerahilly, Scone, Bland, Macleay Pastures
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On behalf of the staff, we wish you all a very safe and happy holidays!
 We look forward to seeing you in 2024!

Kind Regards
 Su-Lien Chen
 Principal