



中文周刊



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Volume II

CHINESE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Two weeks have already passed and we hope everyone is now comfortable with his or her placement, materials, teachers, classmates, and so forth. As things become more and more hectic, be sure to check out our upcoming events and activities that are sure to give you a much needed break!

LANGUAGE PLEDGE

We would like to thank all of you who are sincerely making an effort to uphold the **LANGUAGE PLEDGE**. Although it may be frustrating at times to not be able to express yourself adequately or to talk in depth to a new friend, you'll be amazed at the progress you'll make by sticking to it. Please make sure to adhere to THE PLEDGE at all times when engaged with other schools' students in pick-up basketball games, etc.

TRUST US!



歡迎歡迎！

You have no doubt noticed that our School has grown by about 35 over the past week. Please welcome our 研究生! We have ten new graduate students and nine who have spent the last three summers with us and will graduate this August. Additionally, we welcome back three of our "very own" 中文學校 who were once where you are now. Reach out to them—they are a great asset to our program.

BRANBURY BEACH



Well, the weather failed us! It's unfortunate after all the heat that we've had so far this summer, our day at the beach was so windy and cold. However, it WAS great hiking weather and many enjoyed the hike to Silver Lake!

課外 Co-curricular Activities 活動



Most of our activities are already underway, but it's not too late to join in. We have activities scheduled during almost every possible block of time on Tuesdays through Thursdays. When we have special lectures or events, timing may

conflict with your activity. You'll just have to choose-- we don't have enough time slots for everything! See the posted schedules and the

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Blog for dates and times because we've had to make a few changes. We hope that everyone can find an activity or two that will be enjoyable, but be careful not to over-extend yourself or your time necessary for class preparation or rest. The leader of each activity is listed on each sheet. See him/her if you have any questions. Soccer matches with the other schools will begin soon!



UPCOMING EVENTS



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Lecture

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杨玉玲教授

首都师范大学

有趣的汉字造字法

Fun with Chinese
Characters

七月十四日 星期四

四點半-五點二十分

Thursday, July 14th 4:30-5:20 MBH 220

通过图片动画等方式介绍、展示汉字的四种造字法，即象形、指事、会意和形声，最后简单介绍两种用字之法，即转

注和假借。希望通过介绍学生对不同汉字造字法均有一定的了解，掌握常用的声旁和形旁，做到举一反三；提高学生的自学能力；使之减少学习汉字的为难情绪，增加对汉字乃至汉语的兴趣和学习动机。

Using animation pictures as an introduction to Chinese characters, students will learn four types of character formation to help them understand how to learn characters more efficiently: pictographic characters, descriptive characters, characters that combine the shape and sound of different characters, and finally two more types of characters—those that are mutually explanatory and those that borrow sound. We hope to give students knowledge about the different aspects of characters to improve students' self-learning ability; to make learning characters less difficult, as well as to increase student interest and motivation in learning characters.



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Movies

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We are sorry about the mix-up with the screening of last weekend's films. Media services did not send their folks to show them, even after we confirmed several times. Shout out to 安毅 Ān Yì for troubleshooting that disaster! Now, our super bilinguals are trained media experts, and will take over this task. Hopefully, no more mishaps!



智取威虎山

The Taking of Tiger
Mountain

七月八日 星期五
晚上七點半

Friday, July 8th 7:30 PM
MBH 216

THE TAKING OF TIGER MOUNTAIN has blood, guts, and sentiment. Based on actual events and the novel by Bo Qu, it's a sweeping epic of a war film set in northwest China just after World War II has ended, when the government has collapse into corruption, bandits are terrorizing the villages, and the People's Liberation Army is struggling to get a foothold in the Chinese Civil War. There are heroes, villains, a doughty little boy, and, in keeping with the title, a tiger.



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Yiyi
A One and a Two
七月九日
星期六

晚上七點半
Saturday, July 9th
7:30 PM

Sunderland Dana Auditorium

Edward Yang's profound and beautiful film conveys the powerful emotional truths of everyday life as it depicts the struggles, hopes and dreams of a middle-class family in Taipei. "...a wonderfully engrossing experience—a lucid, elegant, nuanced, humorous movie that's never nearly as sentimental as it might have been...Yang orchestrates a soap opera season's worth of family crises with virtuoso discretion" (J. Hoberman, *The Village Voice*). Yang won Best Director honors at the Cannes Film Festival and *Yi Yi* was named Best Film of 2000 by the National Society of Film Critics and Best Foreign Language Film by the New York Film Critics' Circle.



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Party

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七月八日 九點半 星期五

Friday, July 8th @9:30 PM
McCullough, Crossroads



Our first official school-wide get together will be this Friday after the movie. It is an "Olympics"-themed party, so get creative! We'll be at Crossroads, downstairs in McCullough. If you have any music or suggestions, take them to 安毅 Ān Yì (Eli) or 古安雅 Gǔ Ānyǎ (Aya) in Hepburn 113, or see them in Atwater! **REMEMBER, you must be 21 and show proper ID in order to drink alcohol!**



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Hike

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TAM

Trail Around Middlebury

七月十日 ***星期日***

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Sunday, July 10th 10:30 AM

Adirondack Circle

The weather on Saturday is looking gloomy with off and on rain all day, so we are moving our hike to **SUNDAY** this week. (*If it is raining at 10:30, the hike will be canceled.*) Our hike this Sunday will be a more leisurely walk on the TAM—the Trail Around Middlebury. We'll meet in our usual spot at 10:30. No need for vans or drivers since it's right down the hill! Also, no need to sign up this week.

Sports

運動

Volleyball

排球



Inter-school volleyball matches will be starting this Sunday – WE HOPE! The Chinese School has had AWESOME teams in the past! If you are interested in 排球, be sure to sign up! Matches will most likely be held on Sunday afternoons, at 4:00PM. Also, feel free to stop by Hepburn 113 and pick up the 排球 if you'd like to play amongst yourselves!

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Announcements

1. **MISSING CLASS:** Don't forget to let your teachers know if you miss class for any reason!



2. If you use dishes in Forest or Hepburn's kitchens, it is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO WASH THEM!** DO NOT LEAVE THEM IN

THE SINK FOR OUR CUSTODIANS & BILINGUALS TO CLEAN UP AFTER YOU ☹!

3. FROM THE CAREER CENTER:

Monday, July 11

How

to



Market Your Foreign Language Skills

4:30-5:30 pm, Axinn 229

French Language School alumna Carolyn "Cookie" Tager speaks from her own experience with the World Bank and FBI and facilitates an engaging conversation about building an international career: Learn what makes an international career "international" (and no, it's not just working in a different country!), explore some professional fields where language is a critical component to your marketability, and examine how you can acquire experience while a student that will promote your strengths to different career audiences. Developing the knowledge, skills, and experience to launch a successful international career takes time and planning: there are things you can start doing today!

4. Public Safety Contact Information:

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