

Sutherland Shire Chinese Language School

修德倫中文學校

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Newsletter Term 3-2011

Message from the Executive Committee

Dear Parents and Students,

At the beginning of Term 3, the school had 78 students in 8 classes; staffed by 5 teachers, and supported by two administrative assistants. As previously advised, we have combined two classes from beginning of term 3. The Head Teacher has reported that students have settled well in their new class.

Your Social and Cultural Sub Committee member parents have been busy organizing a cultural activity day on September 10. The program on the day includes demonstrations and student participation in Tai Chi, Jian Zi (feather kicking shuttlecock), and Tangram puzzles. Parents, siblings, and Carers are encouraged to join in the fun. Come along and meet other families and talk to the SSCLS teachers.

A gentle reminder to parents who have not yet paid fees for term 3&4 - Please see the Administrative Assistant to pay a.s.a.p.

At the time of writing we are reviewing the school safety procedures including evacuation and lock down procedures.

School Administration

Per capita funding and School Fees

The School expects to receive per capita funding from the Department of Education during term 3. The school is able maintain fees at a low level with the funding and the help of the volunteer work of the School Executive Committee members and other parents. Parents who are able to help with organizing school activities are welcome to contact members of the Executive Committee.

Best Student Awards

In order to encourage students to work hard and their hard work to be recognised and rewarded, teachers suggested that based on students' weekly class performance (e.g. completed their homework neatly and scored well in spelling/dictation), award certificate of "The best player of the term" will be given to one student in each class at the end of each term, and their names will be published in the school newsletter. This incentive activity will start from term 4 so students please participate.

Adult Mandarin Class

The feedback from the parents is that this class is helping the parents a lot in supporting their children in learning Mandarin. Thanks to Lola, our Adult Mandarin class teacher. The class currently has 8 students, and is held during period 2. All parents are welcome to join.

School Website



Please check the school website for a host of information about our school, plus links to language learning resources. Thanks go to Marjorie Duncombe, Committee VP, for creating and maintaining the school website. Janine Harris is now assisting Marjorie in her work.

School Website Address: <http://sutherlandchinese.com>

Safety of Children:

For the information of parents new and old, below are the guidelines for supervision during School hours:

1. With the assistance of the duty administrative assistant, the teachers will supervise the students during recess.
2. The duty administrative assistant will supervise junior student visits to the toilets.
3. Junior students will wait for Parent/Guardian in the classroom at the end of class.
4. Senior students visit the toilets in group of 3 students or more.
5. No students are to leave the School grounds during recess without the knowledge and permission of the Class teacher.
6. ALLERGIES – If your child is allergic to certain foods (such as peanuts, fruit or dairy products for example) please advise the class teachers so that the school has a record of the students with allergies. This way the schools can safely manage the environment to prevent any severe allergic reactions from happening.
7. The only way to enter the school is from Kingsway, and the gate will be open from 15 minutes before start of class to 15 minutes after start of class, and again from 15 minutes before end of class to when all students leave the school.
8. If any parents are running late to collect their child/ren, please call the duty administrative assistant on 0411676465

Library

All students and parents are welcome to visit the Library, which is stocked with hundreds of books, with photos, colourful pictures, with translation in English and with pinyin. The library is open once every two/three weeks from 1:40pm to 2:20pm. Parents please contact our Library Coordinator Takae Yasutake if you are able to assist with library duties.

Sutherland Shire Chinese School Library Roster for term 4

Date	Duty Librarian	
15 Oct	Janine Harris	Takae Yasutake
29 Oct	Vera AU	Laura Zheng
12 Nov	Takae Yasutake	Belinda Cooley
26 Nov (Last day)	Helena Yiu	Mien-Tze Ng
3 Dec	Stocktaking	

Enrolments

Yes, we have vacancies in all classes! Please direct all inquiries to Philip Lo on 9521 8548, or contact other Committee members, or the Class teachers.