



Chinese Linguistic School of Phoenix Newsletter

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News

- The fall season is the most comfortable one in Arizona, but it is also the easiest time to catch the flu. This year the whole world is threatened by **H1N1** flu, and it is severe enough that President Obama has even declared H1N1 as a national emergency. In order to build up the body's strength, please make sure your children get **enough sleep**, get **adequate nutrition**, have regular **exercise**, **drink enough water**, and **wash their hands more often**. In the case that your children become sick, please have them stay home and rest in order to recover promptly.
- Due to family reasons, the teacher in 1B can no longer teach the class. We are pleased to announce that Ms. Fang Chian OYang will assume the teaching responsibility in class 1B. Welcome.
- The parent/teacher conference on Oct. 18 was very successful. Many thanks go to all the school staff, teachers, and parents who helped the event run smoothly. The next parent/teacher conference will be held in March of 2010, and we sincerely invite everyone to join us.
- The first Vocabulary Contest will be held on Nov. 1st. Thanks to our principal and vice principal Li-Yi Yien who came up with the contest. We hope that the entertaining and team work during the contest will encourage student to explore more vocabulary.
- The extracurricular classes will meet for the last time this semester on Dec.6. There will be **no school** on Nov. 29 due to **Thanksgiving holidays**. The last day of school this semester will be on Dec. 13. The final exam and the parents' meeting will be held on the same day.
- We have purchased a LCD projector for classroom use. The teachers are welcome to check it out from the office to use in class. We hope the use of the projector will improve the learning productivity.
- The children are always very happy on Prize Card Days, when they have the opportunity to exchange the prize cards they have earned for food and items that they like. We have added an additional prize: a \$5 gift card (from Target, Walmart, etc.) Don't forget the next **Prize Card Day** on **Nov. 15!**
- The student's writings have been published in Arizona Chinese News and Asian American Times. The articles from 10's and 11's graders have been published in September, and the articles from the 9's graders have been published in October. The grade 8's work will be published in November. Parents who are interested in reading the children's work, please stop by our office. Our lovely principal will bring five copies of Arizona Times to office to share with you every week.
- The Global Chinese Language and Culture Center is a bi-weekly newspaper that is published by Overseas Compatriot Affairs Commissions of R.O.C. The students will find it very beneficial in learning Chinese. You can check their website regularly at <http://edu.ocac.gov.tw/culture/biweekly/index.htm>. You can also find interactive instruction,

such as animations, pronunciations, and games that make learning Chinese interesting and fun.

- The school pictures for 2009 can be found and downloaded from the following websites (password: clsparents)
Bake sale and raffle drawing: <http://jeffjenq.zenfolio.com/p745348076>
Extracurricular classes: <http://jeffjenq.zenfolio.com/p565638172>
Prize card day: <http://jeffjenq.zenfolio.com/p566809425>
All pictures of Fall 2009: <http://jeffjenq.zenfolio.com/f79216838>

Principal

- On behalf of all of us at Chinese Linguistic School of Phoenix, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you who attended the parents' meeting on Oct. 11. The participation of parents is critical to the success of the school, and I am really grateful for all the care and support you have shown.
- All students are expected to stay inside or nearby the classrooms during recess. For safety reasons, students are not permitted on roadways or in parking lots during school hours. Parents with kids in preschool must accompany them to and from the classroom at drop-off and pick-up times.
- The school sells Super L Ranch gift certificates at a 10% discount. A prize card also comes with every purchase of \$100 gift certificates. Please take advantage of this discount and help your school at the same time.
- News and information will be posted at the school web site <http://www.clsphoenix.org> as they become available. Please check it regularly for the latest update about the school.

Board of Directors

The following changes in registration fee and tuition had been approved at the School's Board of Directors and Parents Meeting, and will take effect in Spring Semester 2010:

- **Non-Refundable Registration Fee** : \$36 per student per semester, paid to MCC. The Registration fee for Spring Semester 2010 is due at the end of November 2009.
- **Tuition** : \$120 per student per semester. If the family has 3 or more children enrolled in the school at the same time, the fee is \$100 per student per semester.
- **Deposit for Volunteer Work** : a deposit of \$25 per family per semester is required. This deposit is refundable based on volunteer work points accumulated per semester, up to \$25.
- **Cleaning Fee** : No longer required.
- **Extra-Curriculum Class Fee** : \$60 per student per class.
- **Text Book Fee** : Based on actual cost
- Tuition, deposit for volunteer work, text book fee, and extra-curriculum fees are due on the first day of school.

Chinese Culture Association

- Our Chinese school will hold a BBQ Festival on **Saturday, November 7th (from 11 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.)** at **Daley Park** in Tempe. It is located on College Avenue between Rural Road and Mill Avenue. Map link:

http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&source=s_q&hl=en&geocode=&q=daley+park+az,+tempe&sl=37.0625,-95.677068&sspn=18.256389,35.595703&ie=UTF8&hq=&hnear=Daley+Park,+Tempe,+Arizona&z=14> The Festival includes a Barbeque Picnic. Tickets (**adult: \$3 and child: \$1**) will be available for sale on **10/18, 10/24** and **11/1** in the office. Everyone is encouraged to bring food to share. Please **keep your receipts** for reimbursement. Chairs and recreational equipment are also welcome. We will need many volunteers to prepare food, set up the tables, tend the barbecue fire, clean up before and after the picnic, etc. Fifteen volunteer points (worth \$15) will be awarded for your help. Anyone interested in helping out with the event should contact CCA Chairperson **Emma Ditsworth** at 480-967-5902. Anyone who willing to prepare food should contact **Lily Wang** at 480-767-1769.

Student Council

- The student council would like to thank you for your kind support of the Morakot Typhoon Fundraiser. An article about our school's fundraising event was published by The Global Chinese Language and Culture Center newspaper. If you would like to read the article, please contact our vice president Melody Young.
- The Student Council is sponsoring a Halloween Parade on November 1st after school. All students and parents are encouraged to participate.

In Gratitude

- The school would like to thank the parents who helped with the Vocabulary Contest.
- Thanks to 4th grade teacher Sophia Lee for sharing her teaching material.
- Thanks to the parents, Lily Wang, Terry Chen, Annie Chen, and Joy Lu, who have graciously donated toys and stationary to enrich our prize bank for the students.
- Thanks to Mrs. Ingrid Huang, who gave a donation of \$25.
- Thanks to the key person, our vice principal Liyi Tien, who has helped make the Vocabulary Contest a successful one. She thought of the idea, designed the content, carefully assigned the work, and coordinated all the detail in person.
- Thanks to our principal, who typed all the material into the computer to be used in the contest.
- Thanks to Li-Fen Hung, who actively participated in the planning and preparation of the contest.
- Thanks to Rebecca Yuan for reaching out to the community and gaining a lot of endorsement.
- Thanks to Mr. Ed Tse for the detailed financial analysis of our school and the guidance he gave the board of directors, which led to the final conclusion of this year's tuition.

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