

聖亞納中文學校
St. Anne Chinese School

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Dear Parents,

Our highly competitive Read-Aloud competition successfully concluded on January 18th. Every student who participated in the competition went all out and performed exceptionally. I encourage students who were not able to compete this year to join next year. Attached are the results of the Read-Aloud contest and Pencil Calligraphy contest of 2025. Winners will each be presented with certificates and trophies at our annual Open House on May 17th, 2025.

February 12th or January 15th (Lunar Calendar) marks this year's Lantern Festival, another significant Chinese holiday. Considered the grand finale of the Chinese New Year celebrations, this day indicates that the new year has officially begun. Traditionally, Chinese families will eat "*Tang Yuan*," round-shaped desserts made from glutinous rice flour. "*Tang Yuan*" in Chinese is pronounced similarly to "*Tuan Yuan*," meaning reunion, and therefore is eaten as a symbol for the gathering of family. Bright, colorful lanterns are often hung on roofs and streets, with families guessing riddles and playing games, and moon-gazing is a common sight to see. I wish everyone a Happy Lantern Festival!

Note: Saturday, February 15th is Presidents' Day Holiday, no Chinese School

Eva Wong

親愛的家長，

競爭激烈的朗讀比賽，已於1月18日圓滿結束，每一位參賽的同學，都全力以赴，表現精彩。我鼓勵今年不克參加的同學，明年一定要參加。任何學習都是從基本上建立起來的，今年所學的就是明年的基礎，我們把每一階段的根基做好，相信學生一定能保持長久的學習興趣。附上2025年度朗讀比賽及鉛筆寫字比賽結果，得獎同學將於5/17/2025的開放日典禮上，獲頒獎狀及獎杯。

2月12日也是農曆正月十五日，為元宵節，又稱為上元節或燈節，是中國傳統節日之一。被視為慶祝春節的最後高潮，過了這天，人們就真正的進入新一年的生活。習俗上，家人共吃元宵，又叫湯圓，取其“團圓”字音，燃燈放焰，喜猜燈謎，齊聚賞月。祝大家元宵佳節搓湯圓，吃湯圓，事事圓滿如意！

備註：2月15日星期六為總統日假期，中文學校不上課。

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