

Newsletter  
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### Dear Parents

How time flies! It's been almost 2 months since term 3 began at Little Mandarins and so much has happened. Read on ...

### New Book

As you are aware, we are now well into the 2<sup>nd</sup> book (pink for F1 and F2 children) "My Teacher" and "Little Artist" (for Stepping Stones students) for Term 3. So far, the children have been great learning all the new words in the respective books, whilst revising the phrases/words learnt in the previous book "My 3 Meals". We strongly encourage you to ask the children to read the books out loud to you. You will be very impressed!!! Lots of encouragement and hugs will certainly give them more confidence going forward.

### Progress Reports

Reminder to all parents to **sign and return** all the Term 2 progress reports to us. Do call us if you would like to come in to chat about your child's progress with the respective teachers. We'll love to hear from you.

### Holiday Camp

**OUR HOLIDAY CAMP IS HERE AGAIN!!**

Have you signed up yet? Our successful summer camp is here again and this time, it promises to be even **Bigger** and **Better**! Starting in June right through till end August, we will teach Mandarin in a most unconventional way – by having loads and loads of fun!!

Be part of the Ben & Jerry's kitchen crew, bake a pie at Karma Kettle & Rhapsody restaurant, football and tennis clinics, hip hop dancing, speech and drama.... the list goes on!! Available for weekly sign-ups, do call Jaime soon to avoid disappointment!

Camp size : 16 children



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### New Teachers

Welcome to our 3 teachers who have joined us – Zhang Laoshi, Liu Laoshi, and another Zhang Laoshi (we call her Zoe to avoid confusion!). They are all very experienced in teaching children from non Mandarin speaking families and have worked with children from Julia Gabriel, Chiltern House, Berries and various Montessori schools. Do drop by to say hi to them.

### Adult Conversation Class

We are very happy to welcome Joanne Yi Laoshi to Little Mandarins. She has taught Mandarin for many years in Singapore, particularly to expatriate adults. She also teaches Business Mandarin in various corporations/ banks here and has trained personnel from the Singapore Government. At Little Mandarins, she will conduct Basic Conversation, Intermediate Chinese, and Business Mandarin to our Adult students. Do sign up together with your friends to learn a new language today.



### Hand Foot and Mouth Disease

We are pleased to report that **NO** cases of the disease have occurred in our school. However, we will continue to be vigilant in ensuring high hygiene standards in our school and ask for your kind cooperation in NOT sending your child to us if they are ill. We have also implemented a routine for all children to wash their hands before entering the class. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation in ensuring that we are all happy and healthy as we learn Mandarin!!!