

## *Welcome Letter from Mrs. Liu*

Dear Parents,

I'm Mrs. Liu. I am pleased to have your son/daughter in my kindergarten Chinese language class this year. Our class is a daily 30-minute-long lesson. I'm excited at this opportunity of introducing a foreign language to your child and I plan to make his/her first experience of studying a foreign language an exciting and memorable one. Since Chinese program is very new, you might have some questions about this program. Here I would like to take this opportunity to answer a few:

### **Why does my child need to learn a foreign language?**

Learning a second language allows a child to optimize his or her learning potential, helping to shape the brain at its most flexible stage. A gift of language is an investment that will last a lifetime. Young learners enrich their lives and open up doors to their future by gaining:

- An expanded world view
- Greater intercultural appreciation and sensitivity
- A competitive edge in future market and the global market place

### **Why Chinese?**

Chinese program is the fastest growing foreign language program in US schools. China is emerging from a period of stagnation and again taking her place as one of the great powers of the world. China currently has the second largest economy in the world. To take advantage of this huge economic shift and opportunities, learning to speak Chinese is a great way to give your children an advantage in the increasingly competitive business world.

### **How will my child be learning Chinese?**

With the help of smart board I will be using the latest technologies including interactive computer games, videos and power point slides to make learning fun and efficient. Our Chinese classes will be packed with a lot of fun where children play games, converse with native speakers, perform shows, and singing songs.

### **What will my child Study in Our Chinese Classes?**

We will be studying the basic words for numbers, colors, animals, family members, body parts, school objects, fruits, daily routines, as well as basic sentences including greetings, leave taking, self-introduction and stating likes and dislikes.

**How may I help my child?**

I have created a website where I will upload important information on our class:

<http://msliuchinesececlass.weebly.com/>

You may also find more help on my school page:

[http://www.oxfordschools.org/section\\_display.cfm?section\\_id=1456](http://www.oxfordschools.org/section_display.cfm?section_id=1456)

**How may I contact Ms. Liu?**

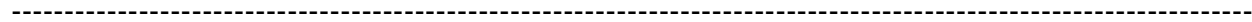
Due to my tight schedule, I'm not available to answer phones calls most of the time during school days. It's best to reach me through emails. Here is my school email address: [min.liu@oxfordschools.org](mailto:min.liu@oxfordschools.org). My school phone number is 248-690-5050. Extension: 4030. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about your child or the program. I always love to hear from parents.

Sincerely Yours,

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Please cut along the line and return the following form:

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Things you want me know about your child: \_\_\_\_\_

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