

*Merry Christmas*  
◇ Happy New Year - from all of us ◇

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## Autumn Term Newsletter

Dear Parents,

The term is quickly coming to an end, but we still have many events to fill our calendar before breaking up Christmas! A friendly reminder that the last day of term is the 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> of December. We will be returning on the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> of January – the full Spring Term calendar can be found at the bottom of this Newsletter.

Hua Hsia and Friends of Hua Hsia will be holding celebrations on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of December. Festivities will be held in the hall, along with a visit from Santa, and the celebrating of the previous year's excellent GCSE results! GCSE certificates, the CIAC and Shaftesbury Volunteer award, and the writing competition prizes, will be handed out on Sunday. A final program for the festivities to be sent out shortly.

Our Winter Camp is on the horizon. It is the first year we have decided to host a camp over the Christmas break, due to increasing interest from parents. We have decided to host the camp on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of December – it will be based in Southgate N14. The details of our next two camps, our Easter camp and Summer camp can be found on our website: <http://huahsia-chinese.co.uk/index.php/news-events/summer-camp>

### Online Learning Platform!

We have decided to integrate an online learning platform into our services. We wish to provide more support to students (especially those doing qualification courses), specifically geared towards their speaking and comprehension. While we feel classroom and in person learning is always best, we understand virtual classrooms have their place and can be utilized to help students. We will be trialing this service with our current Final Year GCSE and Final Year Cambridge Pre U students, and hope to roll it out formally in 2017.

### Head of Teaching!

Due to Hua Hsia's expansion over the past year, a role has been created to help us moving forward to continue this success. We are looking to recruit a Head of Teaching, this role would involve overseeing the curriculum of teaching within the School, recruitment, as well as teaching some classes. If you know anyone who may be interested please email: [secretary@huahsia-chinese.org.uk](mailto:secretary@huahsia-chinese.org.uk). Please visit our website for further details.

The final weekend of School is the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of December. Over the Christmas break the office will be running on reduced staff numbers. We would appreciate your patience over this period as it may take longer than usual to reply to emails. The office will be fully closed from the 19<sup>th</sup> of December to the 4<sup>th</sup> of January.

Have a wonderful Christmas break and a Happy New Year!

Katja Ting

	Hampstead		Southgate
	Saturday	Sunday	Saturday

### Spring Term 2017 (10 weeks)

January	7, 14, 21, 28	8, 15, 22, 29	7, 14, 21, 28
February	4, 25	5, 26	4, 25
Half Term (Feb)	11, 18	12, 19	11, 18
March	4, 11, 18, 25	5, 12, 19, 26	4, 11, 18, 25

## Hua Hsia Chinese School News



### Friends of Hua Hsia

We wish to congratulate the Chairperson of Friends of Hua Hsia, Ivy Heng, who was nominated for CIAC & Shaftesbury's 'Woman Volunteer of the Year' 2016.

The award will be presented on the 11<sup>th</sup> of December during the festivities.

### Southgate

Thanks to the support of parent volunteers lead by Bonnie Guan, the Southgate branch has settled in the new location successfully. Secondly, a big thank you to all Southgate parents for your patience and understanding of the teething logistics issues during the term.

### Student Reports

Student reports will be available to pick up from the class teachers on the last day of term. Please note we only have reports for the following classes: Foundation, Years 1-8, SUKA, and qualification courses.

### Message from Office

We have updated the staff profiles on our website. If you are interested to find out a little bit more about our teachers and their backgrounds please head here:

<http://www.huahsia-chinese.co.uk/index.php/about-us/history-of-the-school/our-team>

### Homework

As a note to our new parents and students, most classes receive homework, which will be uploaded to our online forum weekly. If anyone has trouble finding the forums or encounters issues downloading attachments from the forum please contact [secretary@huahsia-chinese.org.uk](mailto:secretary@huahsia-chinese.org.uk)