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Newsletter

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Special Announcement :

1. We are thrilled to introduce the heavyweight new blood of the management team of Tzu Chi Elementary ~ Ms. Joy Zhao (Dharma name Cixi), who will serve as our principal. Ms. Zhao is an accomplished educator-leader passionate about dual language education, inquiry-based learning, and social-emotional learning. As the Founding Principal and Director of Academics of YingHua International School and a former Chinese teacher at The Lawrenceville School, Ms. Zhao has honed her skills as an educator and administrator. She has also been an active volunteer at the Mid-Atlantic Region of Tzu Chi Foundation, where she has most recently served as the Principal of Tzu Chi Academy, Central NJ. A mother of two adult children, Ms. Zhao was born and raised in China and has obtained two master's degrees in the U.S., one in elementary education and the other in community counseling.
Ms. Zhao has excellent communication skills and is kind and friendly. Within a very short time after joining Tzu Chi Elementary, she has become friends with many students. She has rich management experience and strong organizational skills. All the faculty and staff who had meetings with her were very impressed. Under the leadership of Principal Zhao, our school will reach a new level of horizon. Let's welcome her again!
2. 2023~24 Registration/Enrollment deadline: 5/26
Special promotion: Pay for the full-year tuition by 5/26 to enjoy a 2% tuition discount.
3. Please note that starting immediately, the Gate 1 parking fence will close between 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Please use the visitor's parking lot during this time. You can press the intercom to come in or call the office # at 909-895-2276, and someone will assist you.

Events

MAY EVENTS:

1. Level Learning : 5/1~2
2. NWEA-MAPS: 5/3~11
3. SCCC'S-Spring Academic Contest: 5/7
4. 2023 Buddha Day Ceremony & Interfaith Prayers of Gratitude: 5/14
5. Kindergarten Promotion: 5/19
6. End-of-the-Year Celebration & 5th Grade Graduation: 5/26

MAY CHARACTER EDUCATION THEME: GRIT/PERSEVERANCE

Jing-Si Aphorism

TK~1st grade

Don't think there are things you cannot do because you are capable of anything.

2nd grade

Every little bit of effort now helps us to become better tomorrow.

3rd grade

Do everything with a willing heart and accept the results readily. The more effort you put in, the more skills you will gain.

4th grade

Have the courage and grit to do what is right and persevere until the end.

5th grade

How can we expect to have big accomplishments if we don't start working on small matters?



Level Learning	We use this learning platform to collect and provide data to demonstrate accountability for student growth in Chinese language learning. This is the last Chinese language proficiency test for this school year. From the results, we can know the students' progress throughout the year. Students can choose appropriate Level Learning online reading materials during the summer according to their level to continue to improve so that learning will not be interrupted.
NWEA-MAPS	This is the last English and Mathematics Proficiency Test for this school year. You can know the progress of this year from the results. Summer break is coming, and students are advised to use the summertime wisely by self-studying at home or participating in Tzu Chi summer camps.
SCCCS-Spring Academic Contest	Participating in off-campus competitions can best reflect the strength accumulated over time. In this academic contest, 25 students from Tzu Chi Elementary (Kindergarten to 5th grade) will participate to show their strength in two categories: poetry recitation and storytelling. The instructors are Julia Lin, Ai-ling Wang, and Bei Tan. The venue of the competition is Arcadia High School. We hope that all students can best demonstrate their strengths.
2023 Buddha Day Ceremony & Interfaith Prayers of Gratitude	Hosted by the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation at its USA headquarters (1100 S. Valley Center Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773), this event will commemorate the birth of the Buddha (Day of Vesak) in tandem with Global Tzu Chi Day and Mother's Day. Nearly 20 Tzu Chi Elementary students and our preschool students from Walnut and Monrovia will perform for the guests. Let's enjoy this beautiful event and sow blessings with the whole family.
Kindergarten Promotion, End-of-the-Year Celebration & 5th Grade Graduation	To encourage and invite more family and friends to participate in the event, we have divided it into two days to celebrate this memorable "important day" in students' school life. In addition to awarding graduation certificates, there will be beautiful performances by students. Parents, please remember to bring your camera and capture those wonderful moments of your children's performances.



▲ 4/27/23, more than ten 4th- and 5th-grade students went to the Walnut City Council to give a presentation to city officials. The event was named "The First Tzu Chi Elementary Youth Community Leaders Summit," which was a successful field trip.



▲ Ms. Joy Zhao, the new Principal of Tzu Chi Elementary in Walnut.

▼ 4/28/23, more than 100 parents came to school for the "Family Appreciation Day" event to feel the filial piety of their children.

