

South Bay Chinese School Weekly Parent Bulletin

Date: 05/04/02_{rev}

❖ Upcoming Events:

- **Today** MH will be having their Poetry Recitation and Storytelling Competition. Good luck everyone and have fun!
- **05/04/02** Yuan Gi Dance demo performed by teacher, Ms. Shou-Lin Jensen between the OAR and MPR from 11:15am to 12:15pm.
- **05/05/02** SCCCS Speech & Poetry Recitation Contest at Arcadia High School.
- **05/08/02** TRW Asian Pacific Heritage Event.
- **05/11/02** *No* Chinese Knotting and Folk Dancing classes next week.
- **05/11/02** PTA Meeting (9:30am - 11:30am) and Open House (12:00pm – 12:50pm).
- **05/18/02** Fall 2002 registration.
- **06/01/02** Cantonese Story Telling Contest.
- **06/08/02** Year-End Ceremony.

❖ Announcements:

- We had a very successful M7, M8, and MI Storytelling Competition! Congratulations to all the following winners:

M7 - 1st: Carol Yang	2nd: Susanna Lin	3rd: Stephanie Chen
M8 - 1st: Felice Wei	2nd: Jessica Lee	3rd: Dustin Yang
MI - 1st: Gina Chien	2nd: Jessica Chao	3rd: Joey Jaw

A big thank you to **Ivy Wu, Debby Chao, Ling-Ling Chai, Josephine Lee, Goldy Ho.** We would also like to thank M7, M8, and MI teachers, **Ms. Ou, Ms. Wu, and Ms. Chao** for training their students to be such good storytellers.

- Congratulations to our many students who won medals at the SCCCS track meet. Our Mom's and the 12 and Under Tug-o-Wars made a strong showing, almost placing third! Although it was tiring, we had lots of fun thanks to the big help of **Max Chu, Paul Leung, Steve Ching, John Lee, Josephine Lee, Virginia Huang, Eddie Yeh, Ling-Ling Chai, Dominic Chan, Wilbur Hong, Kim Wong, Tai Tsai, David Tai, Sue Wu, Kui Woo, Lester Lechoslaw,** and the many other parents and teachers who came, participated, and supported this event.
- **No service points** will be given to those parents who drop off snacks but don't stay in the classroom to help out. Room Parents are needed to supervise the students during break and snack times and to assist the teacher as much as possible. Please make sure that on the days you signed up for Room Parent duties that you are available to give your time. If a conflict should arise, contact your Room Parent Coordinator to reschedule. The Bell Person will be collecting signatures from Room Parents as we did in the old days.

❖ Help:

- A **Chinese Chess (Xiangqi) Club** is forming. We need volunteers to guide students in this ancient game of strategy.
- On **Wed, May 8 from 10:30am to 1:30pm** we will be sponsoring a booth at the TRW Asian Pacific Heritage Event, which will be held at the TRW Redondo Beach facility. Dora Fong has spent lots of time preparing for the TRW Asian Pacific Heritage Event so we can promote our South Bay Chinese School and hopefully increase enrollment. We need help to hang posters, staff our table and clean up. You don't have to stay there the entire 3 hours. If you would like to help, please call Dora Fong at (310) xxx-xxxx or (310) xxx-xxxx or you can e-mail her at dora.fong@trw.com. Your help will be highly appreciated!!!

❖ Community News:

- Our Chinese School will be offering the following types of Chinese language and culture classes in the Fall:
 - 1.) Mandarin classes-based on phonetics (traditional Chinese characters) (**M** Classes)
國語注音班-繁體字
 - 2.) Mandarin class-HanYu PinYin (simplified Chinese characters) (**MH** Classes)
漢語拼音班-簡體字
 - 3.) Cantonese classes (**C** Classes)
粵語班
 - 4.) Cantonese conversation classes (**CC** Classes)
粵語會話班

MI is called Mandarin Intermediate class. We used to have M9 - M12 but we combined them to MI because we didn't have enough students to have separate classes. Now we are planning to push M classes all the way to M12 so the students can continue to attend Chinese School. We would like to change MI to M9 and open M10 next year if possible.

We also plan to push MH classes all the way to MH12 just like the M classes.

We may also have CC1 & CC2 next year if we have enough students in these classes.

- Torrance Memorial Medical Center will host a free Medical Consultation and Blood Pressure Check-up event from 6:00pm to 8:30pm on 5/21/02.