

School-Wide News

Chinese New Year Break

The Chinese New Year break starts from Monday, February 16, and runs until Friday, February 27. The school resumes on Monday, March 2. Have a wonderful holiday with your family.

China Day

Chinese Spring Festival is one of the most important holidays in China. As a school, we would like to celebrate this time together. YIA China Day will be on Friday, February 13. The Chinese Language Department is planning various engaging hands-on activities for all students in the morning.

In the afternoon, from 1:30 to 3:20 pm, we will host a China Day Concert Performance in the theater. Students will showcase traditional Chinese songs and dances to celebrate the festival. All parents are welcome to join in the celebration.

Aerobic Dance Class for Moms (Fourth Term)

To continue fostering connection within our school community, we are delighted to offer the fourth term of the free Aerobic Dance Class for YHIS & YIA moms. The 6-week course will run from March 5 to April 16, every Thursday from 8:15 to 9:15 am.

The class will once again be taught by Mrs. BoKyoung Lee, a professional dance instructor. Designed for beginners, it will feature simple and fun movements—including aerobics, Zumba, and rhythm boxing—to promote both health and confidence. No prior dance experience is required—just bring comfortable clothes, energy, and a smile!

Class Details

- Dates: Every Thursday from March 5 – April 16 (6 weeks)
- Time: 8:15 –9:15 am
- Location: 5th-floor Indoor PE Space
- What to bring: Water bottle, comfortable clothes, yoga mat, indoor athletic shoes

Space is limited to 25 participants. If you are interested, please sign up by completing the [registration form](#) by Tuesday, March 2. Once the registration closes, participants will be randomly selected, and those selected will be invited to join a WeChat group. We look forward to another joyful season of dancing and connection together!

Math Kangaroo Competition

2026 Math Kangaroo Registration Now Open! 🎉

One of the world's largest youth math events, with a 46-year history, now held in 109 countries and regions. In 2025, around 6.5 million students participated globally.

Unlike traditional math competitions that emphasize high difficulty and challenge, Math Kangaroo features lively, engaging, and real-life-related problems that spark curiosity and build confidence. It develops mathematical thinking and trains students' reading comprehension, logical reasoning, and problem-solving skills—suitable for participants of all grade levels and math abilities.

Awards are presented at the Global, National, and Regional levels, with an overall award rate of approximately 70%. The competition covers Grades 1–12 across 6 difficulty levels. Details are as follows:

📅 Date: Saturday, March 28, 2026

🌐 Language: Bilingual (Chinese and English); audio support in Chinese available for Grades 1–2

👤 Eligibility: Grades 1–12 (divided into 6 levels: A/B/C/D/E/F)

📝 Format: Individual test, multiple-choice questions

MUNTAI

The Yantai MUN Club is excited to host MUNTAI “Convergence through Turbulence” on Thursday-Saturday, March 5-7. MUNTAI is a three-day United Nations simulation for students. Students from 9 international schools in China are coming to Yantai to develop and debate innovative solutions to pending global issues. We look forward to a wonderful conference!

2026 Spring Art Competition

We are excited to announce that YHIS&YIA are having a Spring Art Competition. Every student will be given a chance to create the best artwork to be displayed in different offices, including Mr. Miller's office. Participants can choose their own themes, but themes must be appropriate. We accept only 2D artwork for submission, and digital artwork is not permitted. The deadline for submissions is Friday, March 13. Please submit your artwork to the art classrooms (Secondary 417).

Mr. Miller and a panel of teacher & parent judges will choose the best eight art pieces. There will be two pieces of art chosen from each age category (see categories below).

Middle and High School students are encouraged to meet with Mrs. Zhong if they would like some basic art supplies or help with their artwork at home.

Age Categories:

Lower Elementary (G1-2)

Upper Elementary (G3-5)

Middle School (G6-8)

High School (G9-12)

If you have any questions about the competition, please email bonnie.zhong@yhischina.com.

Lunch Menu (March 2-6)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Korean	Multigrain Rice*, Soybean Paste Soup*#, Braised Pork Ribs*, Egg Rolls ^, Grilled Chicken Salad #*	Multigrain Rice*, Miso Soup##*, Stir-fried Pork*, Steamed Egg^*, Seasoned Bean Sprouts*, Tornado Potatoes**&	Shrimp Fried Rice##*, Egg Soup^*#, Hamburg Steak*&^, Stir-fried mushroom- with perilla oil #* Cobb salad with- wrench sauce &^	Multigrain Rice*, Bean Sprout Soup*#, Korean Braised Chicken*, Stir-fried Sausages and Vegetables*, Potato Salad`	Stir-fried Beef Rice*, Udon*#^&, Sweet and Sour Fried Chicken^^, Stir-fried Broccoli*, Salad with Cherry Tomatoes
Chinese/ Western	Multigrain Rice, Millet Congee, Braised Beef with Radish and Carrot*, Black Pepper Pork Chop** Stir-fried Broccoli Steamed Egg^*,	Multigrain Rice; Cornmeal Porridge, Stewed Ribs with Yam*; Mexican Chicken Wrap**&, Stir-fried Potato, Green Pepper and Eggplant** Stewed Starch Noodles with Chinese Cabbage*	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Fried Chicken Cutlet* Braised Pork with Mushroom*, Stir-fried Zucchini with Carrot* Stir-fried Shredded Potatoes*,	Multigrain Rice, Rice Porridge, Roasted Pork Neck* Stir-fried Shrimp with Celery**, Scrambled Eggs and Tomato* Stir-fried Choy Sum with Mushroom*	Multigrain Rice, Seaweed and Egg Soup^**, Braised Pork with Quail Eggs*, Ham and Bacon Sandwich*& Stir-fried Broccoli and Cauliflower* Minced Garlic Bok Choy*
Fruit	Seasonal Fruits				

Allergies:				
*Wheat	#Seafood	&Dairy	^Eggs	@Nuts

*If a salad is served with a specific dressing, the allergens are listed on the menu. However, for the salad with optional dressings, the allergens are not listed.