



The Leicester Chinese Sunday School 2024 Spring Festival Celebration

The Jade Rabbit bids farewell to the old, ushering in the splendor of spring, while the Loong soars, bringing good fortune in the new year. With the new chimes, the new year, new blessings, and new expectations, as we begin the new year, we reflect on the past, a year filled with many touching stories and moments. Looking ahead to the future, we anticipate a year filled with even more hope and dreams.

On February 18, 2024, the scene of the Spring Festival Celebration at the Leicester Chinese School was bustling with excitement. The Leicester Chinese Sunday School, in collaboration with the Confucius Institute of De Montfort University, hosted celebrations for the Chinese New Year. Director Gu Wei and teachers from the Confucius Institute were invited to attend the Spring Festival Celebration. At 10 a.m., amid lively and festive opening music, Dr. Li Jin, the head teacher of the Leicester Chinese Sunday School, extended greetings to guests, teachers, students, and parents, thanking the students for their hard work, the parents for their strong support, and the teachers for their diligent efforts. In last year's GCSE exams, all students of the Chinese school achieved excellent A* grades once again. Director Gu of the Confucius Institute also delivered a New Year's speech, affirming the contributions of the Leicester Chinese Sunday School to the local Chinese education and the dissemination of Chinese culture since its establishment.



Dr. Li Jin delivered a New Year's speech

This year's Spring Festival Celebration brought together wonderful performances from various classes and teachers from the Confucius Institute. There were children singing and reciting about the Spring Festival, traditional Chinese Tai Chi fan dances, beautiful ethnic dances, melodious harmonica, gourd flute, and pipa performances, and each performance left a deep impression on the audience. The entire event was splendid, and the audience responded with rounds of applause and cheers.



Choir singing "Celebrating the New Year"-Class 1 Year 1



Dance "Bringing Fortune"-Class 2 Year 1



Choir singing "Descendants of the Dragon"-Year 2



Pipa solo "Yi Ethnic Dance Music"-Year 6



Dance " Zui Qingbo" by the DMU Confucius Institute

After the performances, everyone gathered for a tea party and dinner, with many parents bringing homemade delicacies. The Loong symbolizes strength, courage, and prosperity, and with such auspicious meanings, everyone gathered together to celebrate the traditional Chinese New Year of the Loong, feeling the rich flavor of the Chinese New Year. Joyful times always pass quickly, though brief, the bond of friendship is endless. With the auspicious dragon soaring, everything is renewed, and as it rides the winds, it goes higher and higher! Wishing the Leicester Chinese Sunday School continued success in the new year, forging ahead and achieving more milestones!

