A Letter of Acknowledgement About the Chinese New Year Celebration

Dear Everyone,

Thanks to the support from all the "Family" members including volunteers and parents, our school's 2014 Chinese New Year Celebration was successfully held on Saturday, February 1, 2014.

This event was the reunion of NHXCS Family at the beginning of the Year of Horse, it fully showed the excellent cooperation between the Admin Team and PTA Council, and it also demonstrated the enthusiasm and spirit of all the members of our big Family.

Our Fund Raising Campaign was exceptionally fruitful and successful, and it attracted 3 times more donors this year compared with the same event last year. I'm very grateful to our Board members and the staff of our Admin Team, who were the foregoers and safeguards of the event. And I'm especially impressed by my fellow PTA Council members, who were working very hard in the campaign and took the lead to donate both money and auction items. They spent days for the preparation of the Silent Auction, and worked hand-in-hand with one another to promote the Fund Raising Campaign. Many of our ordinary "Family Members" were so supportive and generous that both the number of participants and the amount of money collected have reached a historical high in our school. The couple, Jinwen Zhang and Jing Wen, for instance, wrote a check of \$500 without any hesitation to show their thanks and support to our school, and some others have donated numerous items for our Silent Auction besides cash. All the prizes for the Raffle were actually donated by our Family Members.

Organized by VP Xinxin Jiang and supported by all our teachers, the performances at the once-a-year Chinese New Year Celebration turned out to be another success. The Dragon Dance directed by Shihong Zhang created a Chinese festival atmosphere. Board members and PTA members were among the players, who might did it the first time, but their performance brought tons of laughter and joy. It's so inspiring that young kids from the lower classes had dominated the stage. The four young hosts Xiaoman Kang, Dali Zhang, Mengqi Dong and Yunfan Shen did an excellent job. Although they were not as tall as the microphone posts and their skills were not consummate yet, they showed good prospects of HNXCS's tomorrow; It's obvious that their parents' help and support played an important role in their achievements.

Thanks to our Gold Sponsor Chengdu 1, we had an amazing dinner and plenty of food, which was carefully selected for us by the owner Mr. Lin. The tables were set up beautifully and all the stuff including the table cloth, the plates and the forks were provided by our newest PTA member Theresa Napolitano. All the guests at dinner, men and women, old and young were happy and felt at home. The New Year dinner provided a unique chance for a reunion of our big Family.

The party is over. But the next one will be more colorful and brilliant.

Thank you, and Happy New Year!

George Meng-President HNXCS PTA COUNCIL

感谢信—关于马年春节庆祝活动

诸位好!

在志愿者们和众多家长的支持下,我们华夏北部马年春节庆祝活动于二月一日,星期六圆满举行。 这次活动是我们在马年伊始的一次家庭大团圆,它体现了我们校委会和家长会之间的密切合作;也 展示出大家庭成员们的热情和一种主人翁精神。

我们的募捐活动取得了超乎寻常的业绩和巨大的成功,吸引了多于往年三倍的捐助者。我非常感谢 董事会和校委会的成员们,他们是我们这项活动的带头人和保障者。家长会的同事们使我更为感动, 他(她)们为募捐活动相互配合,努力工作,并且带头捐款、捐物;为搞好拍卖活动他们夜以继日 地做准备,忘我地工作。我们普通的家长们也非常慷慨,大力赞助,比如:张进文和文菁夫妇,问 讯之后毫不犹豫当场开出了\$500的支票,以示对我们中文学校的感谢和支持。还有不少"家庭"成员, 除了捐款,还捐赠了多项拍卖物品,我们抽奖活动的奖品全部是由成员们所捐赠。

在副校长姜欣欣的周密组织下,在老师们的大力支持下,一年一度的文艺演出取得了又一次的成功。 张世红老师导演的舞龙表演创造出中国式的节日气氛,舞龙队伍中,带头的是我们的董事会和家长 会的成员,虽然他们有的是第一次参与此项活动, 但他们的表演给观众带来了欢快的笑声和节日 的享受。使人深受鼓舞的是,我们低年级的小朋友们在今年的舞台上起了主导作用,在少儿演讲比 赛中涌现出来的佼佼者康晓曼、张大力、董梦奇、和沈云帆,担任了这次文艺演出的主持人,他们 虽然还没有话筒的支柱高,他们的表演也还不是那么娴熟,但他(她)们已经很棒了,他们代表了 华夏北部的明天,不言而喻,这里面包含了他们家长的功劳。

感谢我们的金质赞助商家"成都 1 号"餐馆,使我们的新年聚餐菜肴充足,美味可口,菜谱和食料都 是由林老板亲自选定,使我们的美食家们赞不绝口。桌布、杯子和叉子是由我们家长会委员特丽萨 所提供,并亲自布置摆放。就餐的男女老少,高兴万分,如至自家,共同享受了我们华夏北部的春 节大团圆。 派对结束了,但我们的下一次会更加绚烂多彩。

谢谢您,并祝您新年快乐!

华夏北部分校家长会会长 孟繁臣