October 15th, 2012

Dear students,



From the reviews in class, I know most of you have been studying hard. Please continue studying the material for the Q1 test. Keep studying hard!

For the Q1 test, grades 1 - 2 will be tested on listening, speaking, and reading. Grades 3-8 will include listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Grades 3-4, the writing will be pinyin only. Grade 5-8 will include pinyin and characters. If you review all the homework and quizzes, especially the questions that you missed, then you will be successful with the test. Please do study hard! If you have any questions, please e-mail me.

The Q1 testing dates:

- 1. Grade 1-4 on 11/1
- 2. Grade 5-8 on 11/2

"你好吗?","礼貌歌", and "数字歌" can help you to remember greetings, the daily courtesy phrase, and numbers. I realize that you all can sing the songs well. I want to encourage you to review singing them to reach 100% accuracy. When you sing, please also pay attention to the characters. They will help you in reading characters in the future.

One important comment on grades 5-8's homework. Only about 20% of the studnets met the requirements for lesson two's homework. A few things to keep in mind when you do lesson three's homework:

- 1. Every student has a set of a textbook and workbook at home, which are resources that can help you complete your homework. All the answers can be found in the textbook. If you are struggling with questions on the homework, be sure to e-mail me and I will help you immediately.
- 2. When you write the pinyin, be sure to mark the tone symbols correctly.
- 3. When you write, first check the stroke order from the textbook then write the stroke correctly.
- 4. A solid foundation will increase your success in future learning. Please be attentive and take time to do your homework. I am looking forward to seeing your excellent homework next time, thanks.

The following list tells you if you are missing any homework assignments. Please print out the homework from "shsdearbronechinese" and turn it in on 10/25 or 10/26. If I made a mistake with the list, please show me the checked homework so I can record it. The September Progress Checklist is good for you to reflect what you have learned in September, please fill out the form and turn in. Thanks.

Grade 1:

Connor: week 1 and week 2 homework Liam: week 5 homework and September Progress Checklist Eamon: September Progress Checklist Lauren: September Progress Checklist Grade 2: Jayne: September Progress Checklist Diego: September Progress Checklist Grade 3: Nick: September Progress Checklist Grade 4: Luis: September Progress Checklist Marissa: September Progress Checklist Grade5: Nicholas: September Progress Checklist Anthony: September Progress Checklist **Elise: September Progress Checklist** Grade 6: (If you were absent, you still need to turn in the make-up homework, thanks) Michael: week 5 and week 6 homework, flash card, September Progress Checklist Alejandra: September Progress Checklist Lauren: flash card and September Progress Checklist **Dominic: September Progress Checklist** Lauren: week 6 homework, flash card, and September Progress Checklist Grade 7: Benen: week 6 homework and flash card Cameron: week3, week 4, week 6 homework; flash card Ellen: flash card Casey: flash card and September Progress Checklist Grade 8: Michael: September Progress Checklist **Alexander September Progress Checklist** Matthew: September Progress Checklist Sarah: September Progress Checklist Noah: September Progress Checklist Erin: September Progress Checklist

Please use the no school days to make up your work, see you on 10/25 or 10/26.

Have a good week,

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