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Dates to Remember

- March 4: Spelling Bee
- March 25: NBIS Chinese Culture Day

THE BOSS IS BACK



Winter Sky over the River Tamar

As you know, I travelled to the UK over the Winter Break. How good it was to see family again, all four of our children and their families gathered in once place for the first time in six years!

Of course, I kept in touch with school as necessary, but really the team here in Ningbo did an excellent job during my absence. They ran the show, and my required input was minimal. Big thanks to Robert and many others for their sterling work. It's great to be able to trust others with real responsibility and know that all will be well.

Now ... after prolonged quarantine ... I'm back in the office and busy wrapping up Semester 1 with the production of Reports due out on Tuesday February 22nd.

There are encouraging signs of continued growth in student enrolment, and the work of recruiting teachers for the new academic year is well under way.

I look forward to seeing you as Semester 2 progresses and to supporting your children in their hopes and aspirations.

Philip R Billing
Principal

More University Offers

The future is bright for our graduating students!

CONGRATULATIONS



Year 13
Yinuo Wu

Congratulations to Yinuo Wu (Addie) for receiving the offer to study Fine Arts at Savannah College of Art and Design.

Well Done!

CONGRATULATIONS



Year 13
Tatianna Galuh Putri Irawan

Congratulations to Tatianna Galuh Putri Irawan for receiving the offer to study Pharmacy at the University of Brighton and Kingston University.

Well Done!

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Look What's Coming...

Ningbo British International School
Spelling Bee

TO BE
or
NOT TO "BEE"?



The NBIS Spelling Bee will be on the 4th of March. The best spellers from Year 6-9 will compete to be named 'NBIS Spelling Bee Champion 2022.'



HELLO, 你好, CHINA 锦绣中华



中国文化日
2022 CHINESE
CULTURE DAY
MARCH 25 TH, 2022



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School Starts

Welcome back! After the Chinese New Year Festival February 14th was the first day of school when teachers and students returned on campus.



For the new students at NBIS, it's an important environmental transformation in their growth. They have to face the challenges of leaving the familiar environment and adapting to the new environment. We believe that with the kind help of the teachers and classmates, they will get used to study here.



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It's great to feel the energy and vitality of the students, their joy on renewing their friendships, and their anticipation for the new curriculum and new activities.



After one day's classes, now it's time to go home, some of our students and teachers leave school in order. Some of our students and teachers have a great time in the ECAs Clubs.



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NBIS Students Experience the Cultural Heritage Event

On February 14, NBIS students celebrated the Lantern Festival with local people at Zhanqi Town. They put on traditional costumes, sang lantern tunes, made Lantern Festival lights, and experienced the charm of the traditional Chinese Lantern Festival.



Running Horse Lantern is a cultural heritage with a history of more than 800 years. It's usually performed in festive celebrations like Spring Festival and Lantern Festival. Running Horse Lantern is a unique folk art in Zhanqi Town, people use this way to express joy and harvest.

The students carried the horse's head in the left hand and the whip in the right hand, ran on the old street to the sound of gongs and drums, and won bursts of applause.



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Five of our Year 1 students, two parents and our marketing officer Yuky Chen participated in this event. Thanks for their help and support. We look forward that the students can gain more opportunities to experience the beauty of Chinese culture.



Reported by the local social media.

穿戏服、唱马灯调、做元宵花灯，外国萌娃鄞州体验花样闹元宵

浙江新闻客户端 通讯员 童诗涵 记者 王波
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“青灯青灯高，哎格伦登哟……”锣鼓声声悦耳，二胡琵琶齐奏，元宵节的前一天，来自宁波英伦外籍子女学校的孩子们与鄞州区瞻岐镇的孩子们一起穿上跑马灯的传统戏服，唱马灯调，制作元宵灯，体验闹元宵的乐趣。

A2 要闻

我市推出5方面27项措施 进一步深化跨境贸易便利化改革

【本报宁波讯】为深入贯彻落实《中共中央、国务院关于加快建设全国统一大市场的意见》和《浙江省推进跨境贸易便利化改革的实施方案》，宁波市近日推出5方面27项措施，进一步深化跨境贸易便利化改革。

一是优化通关流程。二是提升通关效率。三是便利跨境支付。四是加强跨境物流。五是提升跨境服务。

六是加强跨境监管。七是提升跨境信用。八是加强跨境合作。九是提升跨境竞争力。十是加强跨境影响力。

十一是加强跨境创新。十二是加强跨境开放。十三是加强跨境交流。十四是加强跨境合作。十五是加强跨境共赢。

十六是加强跨境发展。十七是加强跨境繁荣。十八是加强跨境稳定。十九是加强跨境安全。二十是加强跨境和谐。

二十一、二十二、二十三、二十四、二十五、二十六、二十七项措施，旨在全面提升宁波市跨境贸易便利化水平，推动外贸高质量发展。

宁波市商务局相关负责人表示，此次推出的27项措施，是宁波市深化跨境贸易便利化改革的重要举措，将有力提升宁波市跨境贸易便利化水平，推动外贸高质量发展。

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Reception C

In Reception C, we have been working on the ability to subitise, which means identifying the number of things in a set simply by quickly looking at them—not by counting them one by one. Subitising is an essential part of developing number sense in early years children by helping them relate numbers to actual items or groups of objects. This understanding of part-part-whole relationships allows children to separate and combine numbers and accelerates understanding of addition and subtraction. In our lesson, we worked on addition by using the subitising ability worked previously. We used the dice faces from one to six to add and find the correct amount for ten. The children discovered that different combinations could make the same number, such as 6 and 4; 5, 2 and 3; 5, 4 and 1; 4, 3, 2, and 1.



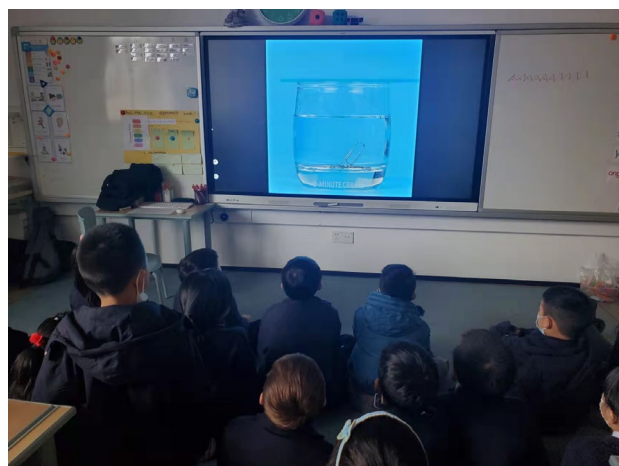
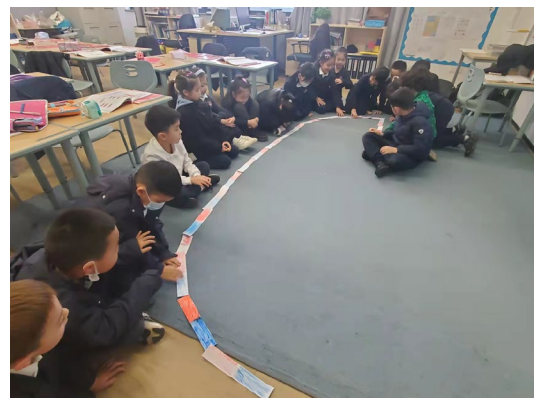
Year 3B: A New Year, A New Look

Following the Spring Festival, Class 3B received three new friends: Aimee, Austin and Brayden. They are from USA, New Zealand and Australia respectively. Our incoming squires are energetic, curious and respectful. To kick start the new lunar year, we had our seat change. Learners also had a new rotation of classroom duties. Each squire contributes to the success of Class 3B, and we look forward to reaching a new height together.



Magnetic Rail

In Science class, we learned about magnets and how the two poles interact. We made a paper magnet and colored the north pole red, the south pole blue. We learned that the same poles repel, and the opposites attract. We acted out these magnetic interactions with a partner. Then, we challenged ourselves to make a long magnetic rail. Now we know how the toy trains are put together. Last but not least, we watched a video on a series of magnet experiments. Looks like our weekends will be busy with some cool science experiments!



Year 4B

No, we haven't gone completely morbid in 4B. This is the backdrop preparation for this year's Mural. It will be a space theme. Last year we did under the sea, and the year before a scary horror theme. I'll post in a future newsletter our progress. The students first suggest themes for the mural which we then vote on as a class to decide which theme will be chosen. Then the students design a mural, and they vote on the designs, and we follow the winning design. Students choose what part of the mural they would like to work on.

This raises motivation through ownership and therefore makes teaching more effective.



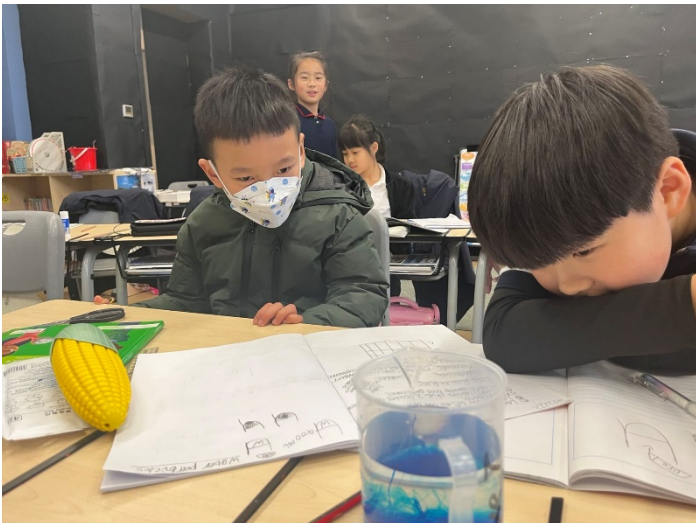
This is our new class reward scheme. Students move round this map in a group after choosing a character for their group. Each character has different strengths and weaknesses. They face tough choices and dangers on the way, working together to get to the final castle, and their reward.



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Science in 4B. In Science we are currently studying the Material world. We are learning about the three states of matter. This is experiment 2 of 3 for the week. We are observing the movement of water particles.



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Primary Assembly

Before the break, children across the section delivered an assembly in celebration of the Chinese Year of the Tiger. We learned about the what Chinese New Year is all about and the different traditions linked to it. We also watched a very interesting video telling the story of Chinese New Year and how the traditions and customs have passed down through the ages.



The children looked under the arm rest to find a red envelope (hung bao) with a chocolate coin inside. They were thrilled!

The assembly ended with the children singing a beautiful Chinese song:

无与伦比的美丽
(wú yǔ lún bǐ de měi lì).



Primary Stars of the Week

6A: Dean 6B: Nana 5A: Miumiu 5B: Jackson 4A: Ashab 4B: Laura
 3A: Ethan 3B: Asger 2A: Anna 2B: Miah 2C: Dannii
 1A: Todd 1B: Ruby



Achievement ~ Respect ~ Integrity ~ Diversity ~ Cooperation ~ Caring ~ Self-worth



In our first assembly after the break, we had the pleasure of welcoming a number of new students to the Primary Section. We also had the opportunity to meet our new librarian, Miss Trina.

The theme of our assembly this week was **Internet Safety**. It was amazing to realise that the internet has been around longer than the students have been alive. The children made some really thoughtful suggestions as to the risks of using the internet. The children learned the importance of being safe online and we shared 4 key principles to make the internet a better place for everyone to use and enjoy safely.



Be responsible – Make sure you use safe websites and ask a grown-up before going online. Report anything you see or anything that happens that makes you feel uncomfortable or unsafe.

Be respectful – Be kind online! Treat others with respect and accept that we are all different.



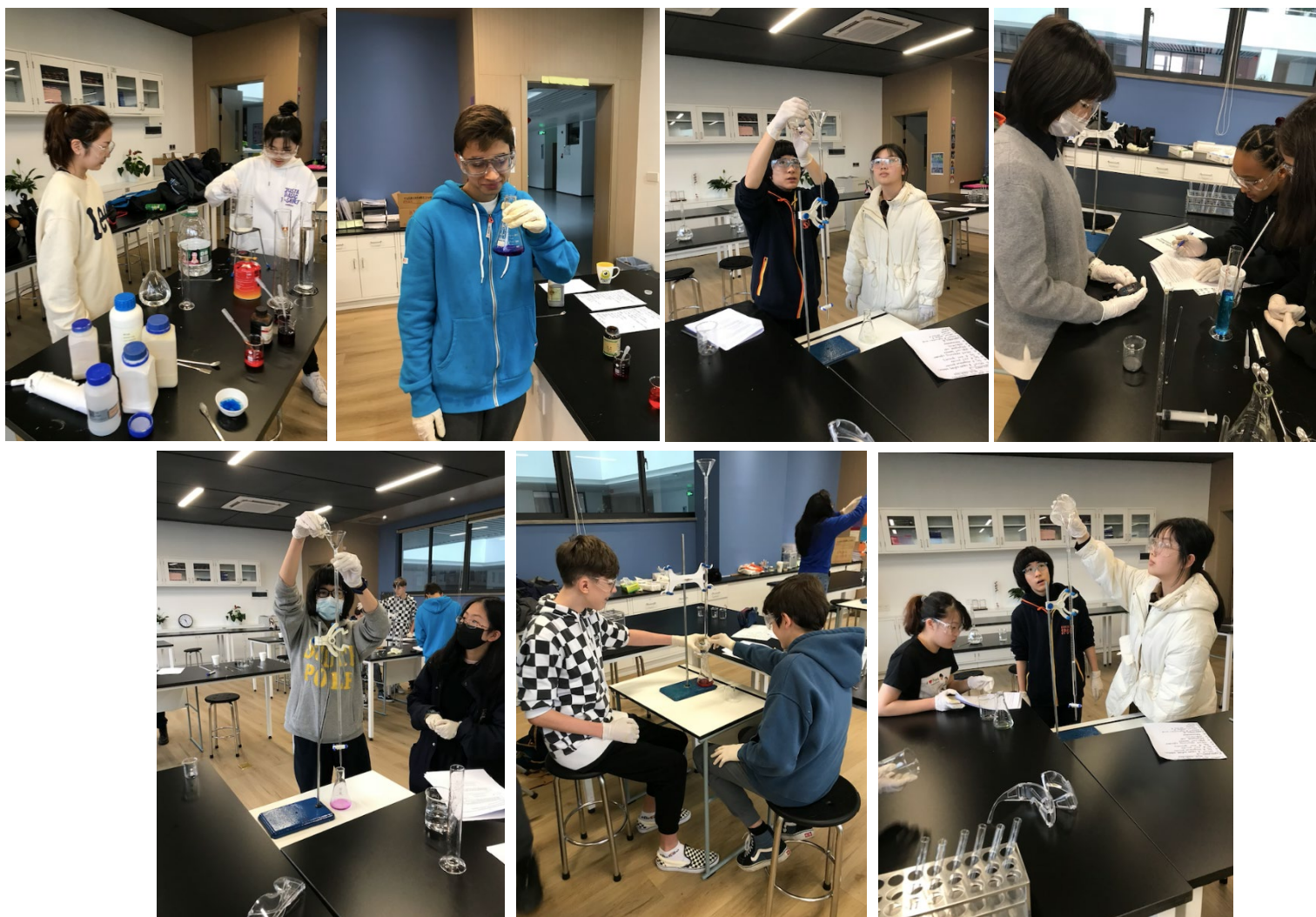
Be critical – Remember not to believe everything you see or read online. Check information on more than one site and watch out for tricks or scams.

Be creative – Use the Internet to help you learn, play and connect with others. The Internet is a great place to share ideas and learn new skills.



Y9 Chemistry Holiday Workshop

The year 9 students came to school during the first two days of the holiday to complete some longer chemistry practicals. The students completed practicals that demonstrated the reactivity of metals, exothermic and endothermic reactions, titrations, and displacement reactions which they had been learning about towards the end of semester 1. In groups of 2 - 3 they completed practical papers taken from IGCSE Chemistry past papers to familiarise themselves with what could be expected next year if they decide to take on chemistry and the type of questions that could be asked. Students recorded results, displayed their data in appropriate graphs and planned and tested out their own experiments. They also become comfortable with using equipment such as a burette and a bunsen burner, correctly. The AS Chemistry students helped on both of the days which the year 9 students (and Ms Smout) appreciated. The year 9 students were able to ask the AS students many questions about what to expect in later years and how best to approach each experiment. Many students expressed how they are now very excited to take on chemistry in IGCSE!



NBIS Extracurricular Activities (ECAs)**Engineering Club Updates - Skateboard Parks**

Between November and January, the Engineering club learnt how to build their own skateboard parks out of cardboard. The project was designed, presented and taught by Maverick Gervais (9A) who was assisted by Ms Smout. Maverick led a tutorial session where he presented his own PowerPoint presentation to the group. He taught them how to construct different ramps, corners, and how best to use a glue gun and board cutters.



Cardboard
Skatepark

Building
Tips & Tricks

- Measure Twice – Cut Once
- Use multiple strokes cutting cardboard
- Make precise measurements & cuts
- Include cardboard thickness in your measurements (~5mm)
- It's better to have a "Build" Partner
- Remember, the Glue Gun is HOT!
- Add support structure where needed (Doritos)
- Have FUN!!!

Even though not all the groups submitted a final project, a lot of fun was had by all. 4 teams entered their skateparks for the final judging of the skateparks. Maverick and Ms Smout collaborated and decided the winner was Max (9A), second place was Noah (9A) and third place was shared by two groups. The first group was Zhiwang and Elena and the second group was Joey, Queenie and Treasure.



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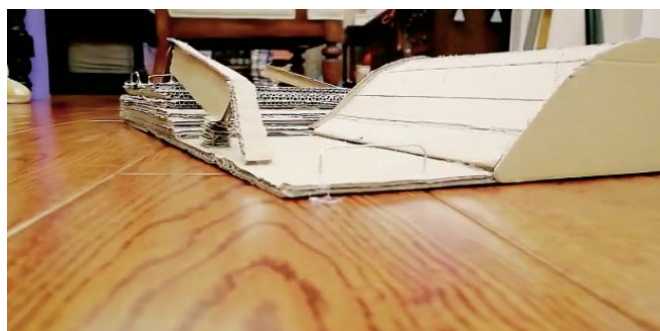
First place - Max



Second place - Noah



Third place - Elena and Zhiwang



Third place - Jov. Queenie and Treasure



French Club Updates

On 17th February, our French ECA invited Mon Epoque which is a local French bread shop to NBIS. Mr Samy introduced the French bread and helped students learn how to make the bread. Students listened very carefully to Mr Samy's introduction and got to know more about the knowledge of the French bread. It helped the students to know the culture in a vivid way, they could learn by touching the flour, smelling the bread, and understanding the job to be a baker. The class helped them build the sense of a career.

Board Meeting

On 17th February, the Board Meeting of NBIS was held on campus. Chairman of NBIS Board, Mr Ying Xiong inspected the work of the first semester and highly appreciated the hard work of the teachers and staff of NBIS. Principal Mr Billing, Deputy Principal Mr Robert and other school management received the visiting leaders. Mr Ying Xiong also praised highly the great work which had been done and looks forward to the future of the school.



Welcome the New Librarian at NBIS**Learning & Exploring**

Greetings!

I'm Miss Trina from Canada.

And I'm pleased to have this opportunity to introduce myself to the staff, students and parents of Ningbo British International School (NBIS). For over a decade, I have worked in the library and literacy arena, and since 2018, I've taught English to young learners. My time spent in China has been a thrilling and incredible cultural journey.

I believe learning is quintessential for one's personal and academic growth. Because of my passion for literacy and knowledge—I—too, wish to encourage others to instill a love for education and reading. I look forward to this journey of learning and exploring amongst my peers and students.

**Introduction of the General Affairs Office**

My name is Ye Zhaojiang and I'm a school police officer in the NBIS fire control room. The fire control room is a line of defence for the fire alarm system, the control centre and information centre are the command centre for firefighting operations, and the monitoring system is responsible for monitoring the situation around the campus and the entrances and exits, and for keeping track of the various developments within the campus.

To ensure the personal safety and property security of all students and teachers, the fire control room needs to be manned 24 hours a day. I can operate various equipment, pay close attention to the monitoring screen, and provide timely feedback when suspicious situations or alarm signals are detected. In order to serve the school effectively, I will make more efforts to learn the national fire laws and regulations. Learning professional knowledge could improve my work ability, I love my job at NBIS.



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WARM REMINDER

Up to February 17h

High-risk areas 高风险地区

Huludao City, Liaoning Province 辽宁省 葫芦岛市

Baise City, Guangxi Zhuang 广西壮族自治区 百色市

Medium-risk areas 中风险地区

Hohhot City and Hulunbeir City, Inner Mongolia
内蒙古自治区 呼和浩特市、呼伦贝尔市

Heihe City, Heilongjiang Province 黑龙江省 黑河市

Suzhou City, Jiangsu Province 江苏省 苏州市

Shenzhen City, Guangdong Province 广东省 深圳市

Wenshan Zhuang and Miao Autonomous Prefecture,
Yunnan Province, 云南省 文山壮族苗族自治州

Please be kindly reminded that all teachers and students
are advised to stay in Ningbo. Non-essential travel to
any medium-high risk city area is strongly discouraged.



NBIS Food

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Menu	萝卜烧牛肉	油豆腐烧肉	芝麻翅根	红烧肉	酱蒸土豆仔排
	Beef with turnip	Tofu with pork	Chicken wing	Braised pork	Rib with potato
	菠萝咕咾肉	烤鸡	红烧肉丸	炸热狗	椒盐里脊
	Sweet sour pork	Roast chicken	Braised meatball	Hotdog	Salt and pepper with pork
	鱼排	黄金鸡块	盐酥鸡	手撕鸡	烤鸭
	Fish chop	Chicken nugget	Salty fried chicken	Shredded chicken	Roast duck
	红烧素鸡	咖喱烧土豆	有机花菜	五号菜	炸薯条
	Vegetarian chicken	Potato with curry	Cauliflower	Vegetable	French fries
	烤土豆	西芹炒玉米	烤地瓜	盐烤小土豆	西兰花
	Roast potato	Corn with celery	Roast sweet potato	Potato	Broccoli
	日本豆腐虾仁	炒包菜	葱油娃娃菜	肉沫粉丝	烤菜
	Japanese tofu with shrimp	Cabbage	Baby cabbage	Meat with glass noodle	Vegetable
	青菜炒蘑菇	芝士烤土司	牛角包	三明治	蛋挞
	Vegetable with mushroom	Toast with cheese	Croissant	Sandwich	Egg tart
	水果	水果	水果	水果	水果
	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
	紫菜汤	豆腐汤	西红柿汤	万年青汤	虾皮蛋汤
	Seaweed soup	Tofu soup	Tomato soup	Vegetable soup	Dried shrimps soup with e
	米饭	米饭	米饭	米饭	米饭
	Rice	Rice	Rice	Rice	Rice
Snack Menu	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘
	Vegetable	Vegetable	Vegetable	Vegetable	Vegetable
	牛奶	牛奶	牛奶	牛奶	牛奶
	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk
	鸡蛋	烧卖	鸡蛋	烧卖	烧卖
	Egg	Shao-mai	Egg	Shao-mai	Shao-mai
	包子	牛角包	包子	牛角包	牛角包
	Steamed Bun	Croissant	Steamed Bun	Croissant	Croissant
	水果	水果	水果	水果	水果
	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit