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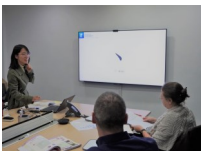
March

Lantern Festival Celebration



Friday 26 Feb, UNNC students, staff and staff family members celebrated the Lantern Festival at UNNC MN Canteen. Given by the round shape of the sweet dumplings, this event aimed to celebrate the reunion of students and staff after the winter break, meanwhile welcome new staff to join the UNNC family. Professor Martin Lockett, Dean of Faculty of Business, welcomed all the participants. Later the participants also made lanterns together. This event was jointly organized by Confucius Institute, Human Resources Department and Department of Campus Life.

Mandarin Class Began



In the week of 8 Mar, Mandarin class for the spring semester began. 33 International staff, students and external Mandarin learners enrolled in the class. If you are interested in the Mandarin class, please feel free to email us: Confucius.institute@nottingham.edu.cn

Field Trip to Hengjie Town



Sunday 14 Mar, Confucius Institute and the Department of Campus Life jointly organized a tour to Hengjie town in Ningbo. 32 Mandarin learners and staff from the above two departments dug bamboo shoots, made barbeque lunch, and spent a nice day together.

Hengjie Town is known for its well-protected bamboo forest, which possesses the largest stretch grove of bamboo nationwide. The participants said it was a great chance for them to explore about the Chinese villages.

Weekly Chinese Painting Class Started



Monday 15 Mar at room 312 IAMET Building, the Chinese painting class started again. With foundation laid in last semester, the class aimed to teach the participants more advanced skills in Chinese painting - the portrait. In order to overcome the bias of language and to improve painting skills together, the class used a buddy system to pair International participants with Chinese participants. This event was greatly supported by Ningbo overseas Chinese Calligraphy and Painting Institute, Li Qingyu Studio, Dengfenglai Studio and coordinated by UNNC Chinese Calligraphy and Painting Society.

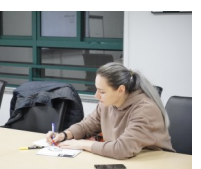
HSK Test



20 Mar, 57 candidates sat the HSK test and 7 sat the HSKK test at Room 331 Portland Building. It was the first HSK/HSKK test in the year of 2021. Arrangement for more HSK test was published through the link below:

<https://www.nottingham.edu.cn/en/confucius-institute/hsk/index.aspx>

Mandarin Language Partner Program



Coordinated by the student society Mandarin Corner, the language partner program started in the week of 15 Mar. It would be held every Wednesday 2.00 – 5.00pm at TB 404 and every Thursday 7.00 – 10.00pm at TB109. The program aimed to provide more chances for the learners to practice Chinese especially for those who cannot come to China currently. Up to now, 32 pairs of language partners had been made, amongst them 27 were communicating online.

Upcoming Events

Language Partnership

- Wednesday 14.00—17.00 @TB404
- Thursday 19.00—22.00 @TB109

Chinese Painting

- Monday 19.00—20.30 @IAMET312

Chinese knotting workshop

- Wednesday 7 Apr 14.00—15.00 @IAMET 312

HSK test

- 10 Apr 8.30am — 4.00pm @PB331

UNNC Chinese Competition

- Tuesday 13 Apr 18.30—20.30 @Auditorium

Fan Painting

- Sunday 18 Apr 14.00—17.00 @DB-A06

Egg Activities for 'Beginning of Summer'

- Wednesday 5 May 14.00—16.00 @Trent 209

Peking Opera Mask Painting

- Friday 21 May 14.00—16.00 @Trent 209

Make Chinese Local Food 'Zongzi'

- Wednesday 9 Jun 12.00—13.30 @MN Canteen



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