

Chinese New Year celebration 2022

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Following an amazing evening of Chinese New Year celebrations during which around 500 parents and pupils enjoyed a live Lion Dance performance, Chinese food, crafts, games and a fabulous fireworks display, pupils at St Margaret's School continued the celebrations with artists from Ling Chinese Entertainments.

Our junior pupils were amazed by the wonderful opening show of authentic Chinese magic, a circus performance and a ribbon dance. Many pupils volunteered to take part in the performance, making the cultural experience very interactive.



Year 5 and Year 6 pupils, who all started learning Mandarin this year as their second modern language, then had the opportunity to take part in a carousel of workshops to try ribbon dancing and Chinese circus skills for themselves, as well as calligraphy writing and games with beans and chopsticks. They found the workshops inspiring and it was great to see them having so much fun, learning new skills and discovering more about Chinese culture and traditions.

The whole school enjoyed a special Chinese New Year lunch in the dining hall with delicious egg fried rice and noodles, black bean chicken, braised pork belly, spring rolls, prawn crackers and fortune cookies. We look forward to seeing where 2022 takes our school community as we offer more pupils the opportunity to add Mandarin to the languages they already learn here at St Margaret's.

