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PAOLO

Newsletter





This year on Sunday January 22, the new moon signals the start of the **Chinese New Year.**

Also known as the of the Lunar New Year or Spring festival, it is a major event in China as well as some other East Asian countries. Traditions include paying tribute to ancestors, having a feast, and spending time visiting family. Festivities are full of bright colors and lights to invite luck and prosperity into the new year, and often involve glowing lanterns and fireworks. Many decorations and clothing are red, and it's common to give money to children in red envelopes.

Each Chinese year is associated with an animal sign according to the Chinese zodiac cycle.

2023 is the year of the Rabbit which symbolizes peace and prosperity in Chinese culture. It has been said that 2023 will be **"a year of hope."** That sounds like something the world could really use right now!



Happy New Year Münster!

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We always love to connect with you! Send us an email, WhatsApp, or follow us on social media.

Dear Families,

We hope this Newsletter finds you happy and healthy, and that your New Year is off to a great start.

After having to cancel all our holiday activities this winter due to illness, we were so happy to attend Paulinum's Open House. The atmosphere was buzzing with the excitement of future students and we were there to greet them.



Now that we're back to our energetic selves, we are even more eager to see your smiling faces again. We'll be sitting down to coffee later this month and spreading the love at a Valentine's Day Dinner in February. Everyone is invited! Won't you come join us?

We look forward to seeing you again soon!









UPCOMING EVENTS IN MÜNSTER

Fri, 13.01	starting at 16:00	"Tag der offenen Tür" (Open House at Paulinum)
Fri, 20.01	in the morning	Report cards will be handed out to the students (5-Q2)
Sun, 22.01	all day	Chinese New Year (Lunar New Year) begins
Thu, 26.01	10:00-12:00	PAOLO "Coffee Morning", at the <i>Herr Sonnenschein</i> café, (Königsstr. 43). All are welcome!
Fri, 27.01	all day	Holocaust Remembrance Day at Paulinum
Wed, 08.02	starting at 19:30	PAOLO "Valentine's Day Dinner" , at Mocca d'or (Rothenburg 14) *Please RSVP to reserve your spot by 1.Feb!*
Fri, 17.02	all day	SCHOOL CLOSED (Teacher Education Workshop)
Mon, 20.02	all day	SCHOOL CLOSED (Karneval Festivities: "Rosen Montag")
Mon, 20.02	13:11	Rosenmontag Parade, beginning at the "Schlossplatz" and moving all over the inner city. Collect candy and yell "Helau!"
Tue, 21.02	all day	SCHOOL CLOSED (Variable Holiday)
Thu, 23.02	10:00-12:00	PAOLO "Coffee Morning", at the <i>Herr Sonnenschein</i> café, (Königsstr. 43). All are welcome!

Announcements & Reminders

- After a year and a half of renovations, the Münster Planetarium has officially reopened! One of Europe's most modern planetariums, the freshly remodeled und updated venue has shows for the whole family to enjoy. Check out their prices and showtimes here: https://www.lwl-naturkundemuseum-muenster.de/de/planetarium/veranstaltungskalender/
- New Year's Resolution: Get more involved! PAOLO is a volunteer led group of parents and we are always looking for active individuals to help us build our international community. Would you like to get involved in our Newsletter, keep your eyes peeled for cool events happening in Münster, or even write a mini article for us? Do you have important announcements or requests that we should include? Maybe you have a suggestion for our next event...Please don't hesitate to get in touch, we'd love to hear from you!
- Our next edition will be: "The Springtime Newsletter" for the months of March & April. Until then, friends!

Have a wonderful 2023!

With Love, your PAOLO TEAM