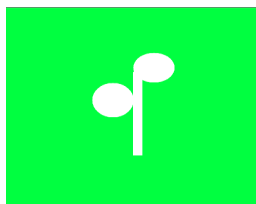


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FROM THE EDITOR

- We are currently two months into the Chinese School 2012 Fall semester. All the CFL teachers here would like to say thank you for the parents' valuable support in making our classes successful.
- We will continue to publish the RenRen Chinese Newsletter every month. If you have any suggestions for the newsletter or regarding Chinese education, please send an email to: rcsonline @yahoo.com



2012 Full calendar (Kennedy)

Dates	Week#
8/18/2012	1
8/25/2012	2
9/01/2012	x
9/08/2012	3
9/15/2012	4
9/22/2012	5
9/29/2012	6
10/06/2012	7
10/13/2012	8
10/20/2012	9
10/27/2012	x
11/03/2012	10
11/10/2012	11
11/17/2012	12
11/24/2012	x
12/01/2012	13
12/08/2012	14
12/15/2012	15

2012 Full calendar (Still)

Dates	Week#
8/19/2012	x
8/26/2012	1
9/02/2012	2
9/09/2012	3
9/16/2012	4
9/23/2012	5
9/30/2012	6
10/07/2012	7
10/14/2012	8
10/21/2012	9
10/28/2012	x
11/04/2012	10
11/11/2012	11
11/18/2012	12
11/25/2012	x
12/02/2012	13
12/09/2012	14
12/16/2012	15

每月一字

Word of
the
Month

What's in a Chinese Character

What's in a Chinese Character

西

6 strokes

Written character

东西:

east and west; things

As the sun settles in the west birds roost in their nests; so a crosshatched bird's nest provided the cradle for "west", and nest became west. Man's fertile imagination conceived a new ideograph – a nest with a brooding bird, hatching up a new form which finally developed into a full-fledged character for west. As all "thing" exist between east and west, the combination east-west, meaning "things, came to be applied to anything from east to west.

Practice Chinese Characters here:

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RCS Calendar and Holidays

October 2012

日	一	二	三	四	五	六
	1*	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 No School
28 No School	29	30	31			

* Oct. 1 — National Day of China

November 2012

日	一	二	三	四	五	六
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22*	23	24 No School
25 No School	26	27	28	29	30	

* Nov. 22 — Thanksgiving Day

The National Day of China

Culture Express

The National Day of China (simplified Chinese: 国庆节; traditional Chinese: 國慶節; pinyin: *guóqìng jié*) is celebrated every year on October 1.

It is a public holiday in the People's Republic of China to celebrate their national day.



The PRC was founded on October 1, 1949 with a ceremony at Tiananmen Square. The Central People's Government passed the *Resolution on the National Day of the People's Republic of China* on December 2, 1949 and declared that October 1 is the National Day.

The National Day is celebrated throughout mainland China, Hong Kong, and Macau with a variety of government-organised festivities, including fireworks and concerts. Public places, such as Tiananmen Square in Beijing, are decorated with a festive theme as shown in the photo below.

