MARSDEN VALLEY EDUCATION CENTRE



Delivering 2 Oyears of Education

Chinese New Year Year of the Rabbit

Key vocabulary: Chopsticks; traditions; culture; good fortune; symbols; prosperous; horoscope; celebrations; festival; zodiac; ni *hao*/hello; *xie xie/* thank you and *zai jian*/goodbye

Key Competencies to be focused on by MVEC: Relating to others; Participating & Contributing

A Chinese Lunch option is available for this programme for an extra \$6.00 per student - chicken fried rice, including a wanton and a spring roll. (Children's sized servings)

- This programme at Shantytown will cost \$6.00 per student, teachers and adults are free.
- These programmes will be run in all but torrential weather.
- It would add a great deal to the day if the students would wear black on their bottom half and a red top of some sort.

10.00am	Arrival	An Educator will meet your class at the front entrance.
(15min)	Welcomes (ni hao/hello)	,
	Health & Safety	
10.15am	Setting the scene in the	Difference in customary beliefs and the story of the
(15min)	SchoolHouse – Introduction to	Chinese Zodiac.
	the Chinese New Year	
	programme.	
10.30am	Morning tea – School teacher in charge during this period	
(15min)		
10.45am	Craft work	Making lucky red envelopes and masks of the Rabbit.
(60min)		Meanings of colours and symbols to celebrate luck and
		prosperity.
		Traditions of different ethnic groups.
	Presentation	A presentation showing the celebrations Chinese families
		take part in during the Chinese New Year.
11.45am	Train ride	
(30min)		
12.15pm	Lunch break – School teacher in charge during this period.	
(30min)	Lunch in Chinatown, if having a Chinese meal with chopsticks.	
12.45pm	Video showing Lion dance	Students will then work in pairs to practice the moves of
(60min)	performers.	the acrobats in preparation of the parade through
		Shantytown.
1.30pm	Chinese New Year Parade	Putting theory into practice through role play, with Rabbit
		masks & perhaps their own drums.
2.00pm	Evaluation	
	Farewells	
<mark>2:30pm</mark>	Departure (zai jian/goodbye)	