

Post Event Press Release: WenLin Chinese New Year Fair London

Date: 10th Feb, 2019

Place: Bolingbroke Academy Sport Hall

Beneath the hundreds of over hanging bright red Chinese lanterns, over 300 people from the local and surrounding communities joined in WenLin Chinese School's Chinese New Year celebration, bringing a festive buzz of excitement into the South Western part of London.

The celebration was kicked off with the ever popular lion dance performance, a traditional favourite, which is a symbol of happiness, good luck and fortune. The public enjoyed performances from WenLin's students, who showcased their songs, dances and operculum in fluent mandarin. Alongside these performances, families had the benefit of experiencing Chinese culture by participating in the fun games and activities through workshops; traditional Chinese paper cutting, Chinese dance, practising chopstick skills and tasting deliciously fresh, hand-made dumplings.

The event, which was held in partnership with Place2Be, a children's mental health charity, and Cypress Books, one of UK's largest Chinese publication houses, raised a total of £458.50. The sum was donated to Place2Be to provide lunch time counselling to more children in need for the support.

"In 2018, around 40,000 children asked to see a Place2Be counsellor at their school and thanks to the generosity of donors, we are able to see every single one of those children." stated Vanessa Boyle, Giving Manager at Place2Be.

Ms. Rosa Wang, founder and principal of WenLin Chinese School believes that education is the key to the beautiful society in which we live and that every person should be given the opportunity to learn about the many cultures of this world. WenLin will continue open the doors to everyone who would like to discover the beauty of the Chinese language and culture.

For more information and pictures, please visit the website:
www.wenlinchineseschool.org.uk

Contacts:

WenLin Chinese School
C/O Ark Bolingbroke Academy
Wakehurst Road, SW11 6BF
Battersea, London
Telephone: **+ 44 (0) 7883 025706**