

JULY NEWSLETTER

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Cricket Editing Team

EVENT OF THE MONTH:

Brookfield Fourth of July Parade



Cricket's 2023 4th of July Parade was a massive success as volunteers of all ages came to participate. Two large dragons were hoisted up into the air and weaved through the sky in an intricate dance by many of Cricket and YLA's volunteers. We waved it back and forth to a cultural instrumental, with the occasional spin. Other members passed out candy and goodie bags as they marched through the streets of Brookfield, WI. Despite the hot weather and aching arms, we all had so much fun marching, hanging out with friends, getting ice cream, and just being able to express the vibrant Chinese culture that Cricket entails. After the parade was over, my friends and I were just able to enjoy our ice cream and chat about the day as we basked in the early July breeze. By representing the Chinese community in such a big parade, and especially in an area like Wisconsin where there are not many Chinese families, Cricket is truly inspirational and made history! It felt so good to see the number of Chinese families in the crowd feeling represented and seen as our members marched and proudly expressed our shared culture.

Same time, same place next year?

Article Written by - Lari Li (Cricket Chinese Editor)

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WHO ARE WE?

"As part of Milwaukee Chinese Community Center, a non-profit organization serving Southeast Wisconsin communities, Cricket Chinese Academy welcomes families from different backgrounds. We focus on providing Non-Chinese heritage families an opportunity to connect with Chinese culture through language programs and festive cultural activities throughout the year."

Chinese Culture & Language Learning
Reach the Life Possibility
Inspire the Curiosity
Community to Connect
Knowledge enable Appreciation
Empower to Communicate
Tenacity to be Excellent



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR IS OPEN!

Click [HERE](#) to register!!

2023-2024
 Sunday School Language & Cultural Program

PreK (TB)



Level K



Level 1



Level 1.5



Level 2




Cricket Adult




Supplemental virtual lessons

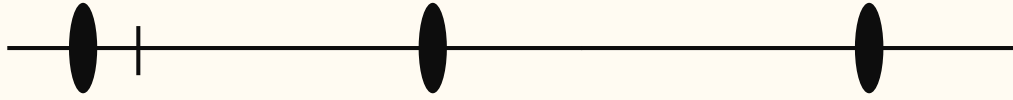




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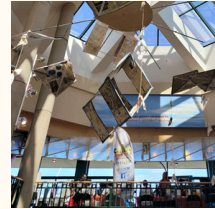


July Mandatory Meeting
July 25th
6:30 PM
Brookfield Public Library

Dragon Boat Festival
August 12th
Last year's video [link](#) (for reference)
Volunteers needed as **dragon boat paddlers, tent volunteers, and dragon dancing**
SIGN UP [HERE](#)

August Mandatory Meeting
More details coming soon!

LOG YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS HERE!
<https://forms.gle/2AXmYq7s2tcLYJkK7>



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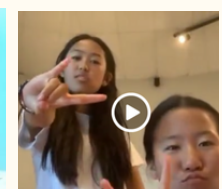
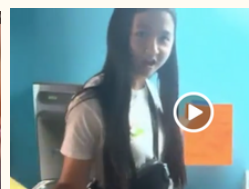
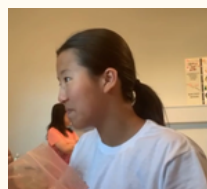
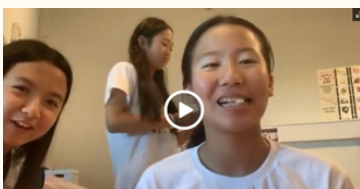
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YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/cricketacademy4717>

Cricket Chatter

Cricket Chinese Academy: The Vlog

For the month of July, Cricket Academy's editing team created a July Vlog, with content including the 4th of July Parade and the event at the Betty Brinn Children's Museum. We are so excited to show the Cricket community what our events are like from the perspective of a volunteer in the Cricket Youth Leadership Group. We hope to publish our very first video on YouTube in early August, so stay tuned!



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China Women's Soccer Team: World Cup

2023 has been a celebrated year for the China women's soccer team. Just now, A year and a half ago, China won the AFC Asian Cup which qualified them for the 2023 Women's World Cup. Additionally, this was the first Chinese victory in the AFC Asian Cup since 2006. Sportscasters around the world are amazed by this Chinese soccer year, however, China has only been coming back from a pause in their strong soccer pride. The women's coach for the Chinese team, Shui Qingxia, was a veteran in the sport and has witnessed the peak of China's soccer performance. Coach Shui declared that the Chinese team, "will fight game by game," through this World Cup. She and Chinese soccer fans all remember when the China women's team lost the 1999 World Cup final by a penalty kick from the US team. They have been up there before and for that reason, the hope of an illustrious 2023 World Cup is only the first step towards a brighter future. As of July, the Chinese team has won a game against Haiti (1-0) and lost one against Denmark (0-1). Both games dragged along, nearing the 90-minute mark, a test of the players' endurance at the end. In the game against Denmark, China had many attempts for a goal, but the Denmark team scored a goal in the 89th minute and the game ended in Denmark's favor. In the game against Haiti, Zhang Rui was taken out of the game after receiving a red card, causing China to face the game with only ten players. Wang Shuang managed to score a penalty kick in the 74th minute, ending the game as the first win for the Chinese team. Next, they will face the English team on August 1st, 2023, for a crucial win in order to move on to the next round. As a fan, one can get excited or disappointed by the results of a game. But equally important to the results, is the inspiration and influence the Chinese women's team has on the world.

The success of the China women's team sparks more interest within the country, especially for girls. Playing sports as a girl used to not be approved, as it was considered not feminine and one would have to be out in the sun for long periods of time. In contrast, now girls across China recognize this competition as a measure of women's ability. Chinese World Cup soccer player, Zhang Linyan encourages girls to follow their ambitions and create their future. She says, "Keep going, and play what you love to the fullest,". When Chinese girls hear this, they will also start to consider this as a possible passion, and events like the World Cup will inspire them further. As one can see, the future of Chinese soccer is just beginning to flourish.

Article Written by: Jenny Mei



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Betty Brinn Children's Museum



The Betty Brinn Children's Museum: A place filled with laughter and insurmountable amounts of joy. This month, Cricket Academy had the honor to once again return to its facilities and host a booth, promoting Chinese culture and our program to more children within the Milwaukee area.

In the 2 days we were there, we had plenty of activities to offer. The dragon puppet and the little chain dragons were a massive success, as the kids loved to color and enjoyed the vibrancy of the chain dragon's body. A massive shoutout to one of our esteemed members, Joy Liu, for expertly managing the chain dragon activity and keeping it running smoothly.

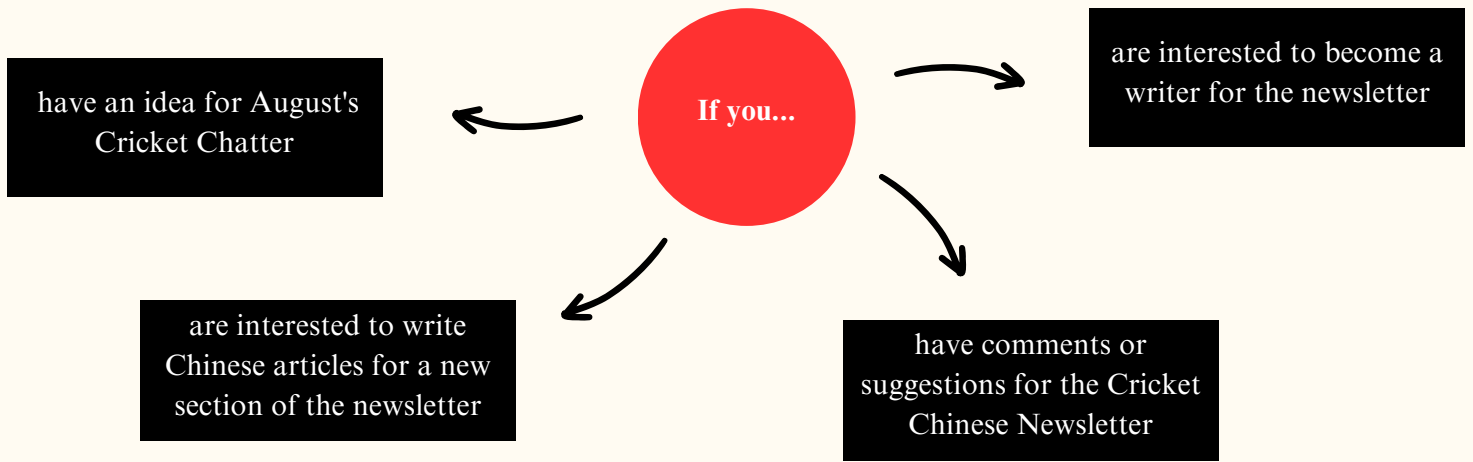
Our little claw machine with numerous prizes was once again lots of fun, and the Chinese Calligraphy demonstration we provided was informative for both parents and children alike. The Chinese tattoos we had not only was a stylish aesthetic but also offered an opportunity to learn the language as well.

Additionally, we showcased Cricket Academy shirts and bags available for purchase. Overall, Cricket Academy had a fantastic time at the museum and it was truly a delight collaborating with the children. We are very thankful for the opportunity and wish to continue working with the Milwaukee Children's Museum in the future. Lastly, a huge thank you to all our volunteers who make this possible. We hope to see you again in the very near future.

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