

CHINESE HOLIDAYS



新年快乐! Xīn nián kuài lè!

This holiday celebrates the start of the new year in the lunar calendar (based on the moon cycle.) It takes place between late January and late February.

How can I celebrate it?

- Spend time with loved ones
- Eat delicious food
- Give red envelopes filled with money to loved ones

Watch fireworks

Watch a dragon dance



Lantern Festival

Happy lantern festival!

元宵节快乐! Yuán xiāo jié kuài lè!

This holiday marks the beginning of spring. Lanterns symbolize people letting go of the past year and starting the new year with good luck. It takes place two weeks after the Lunar New

How can I celebrate it?

- Eat tang yuan, sweet rice balls with sesame filling.
- Light and watch lanterns



Dragonboat Festival

Wishing you peace and health

端午安康 Duān wǔ ān kāng

This holiday honors the memory of a Chinese hero. Dragons symbolize power, strength, and luck. It takes place on the fifth day of the fifth month of the lunar calendar.

How can I celebrate it?

- Eat zong zi, sticky rice with filling wrapped in bamboo leaves
- Watch a dragon boat race



Mid-Autumn Festival

Happy Mid-Autumn Festival!

中秋快乐! Zhōng qiū kuài lè!

This holiday celebrates the moon, based on the story of a Chinese goddess living in the moon. It takes place on the 15th day of the eighth month of the lunar calendar during the full moon.

How can I celebrate it?

- Eat mooncakes, a round pastry with filling
- Drink tea
- Look at the moon



Let's make connections:
When do you celebrate the new year? How do you celebrate it?

Let's make connections:
What holidays that you celebrate honor people?

Vocabulary:

Holiday - 节日

Fireworks - 烟花 yān huā

Lantern - 灯笼 dēng lóng

Dragon - 龙 lóng

Moon - 月亮 yuè liàng

Tea - 茶 chá