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Happy Chinese New Year 2017

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From the Councillors and Shire of Christmas Island

2017 - The Year of the Rooster

Chinese families are busy preparing for Chinese New Year with celebrations starting on the eve of the new year, Friday 27th January. This night opens the fifteen days of celebrations with a feast with family and friends. The Poon Saan Club welcomes all to join in the festivities with the Chinese community, please see the back page for more details.

This is the year of the Fire Rooster in the Chinese Lunar Calendar, which is associated with the Chinese Zodiac. The year begins on Saturday 28th of January with festivities continuing until Friday 10th of February with the closing night of the Lantern Festival (Chap Goh Mei) at the CLA Foreshore, please see page 9 for more details.

The rooster is the 10th sign of the 12 year cycle of animals that appear in the Chinese Zodiac. People born in the year of the rooster are beautiful, kind-hearted, hard-working, courageous, independent, humorous and honest.

According to Chinese astrology, the year of one's birth sign is the most unlucky year in the 12-year cycle. In the year of your sign, fortune in all aspects of your life will not be very good. Therefore, Roosters should be more careful in 2017.

It is Chinese tradition to give Ang Pows, small red envelopes filled with "lucky money". These envelopes are given to children by their family and friends. Mandarins or oranges are also given as a symbolism of "gold", it has a meaning of bringing in good luck and wealth.

The dragon is a very popular symbol for the Chinese New Year. It is a symbol of strength and good fortune.

You may also see and hear fireworks as it is believed that the noise of the fireworks is supposed to scare away all evil spirits allowing the new year to begin without misfortunes.

We wish all a Happy Chinese New Year and may the Year of the Rooster be a prosperous year for all.





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2017華人農曆新年夕歡聚會

2017 Chinese New Year of Rooster Eve night

2017年1月27日新年夕節目表 PROGRAMME

晚上6點30分 瑞獅表演

6.30p.m. Lion Dance

晚上7點自助餐,分派新年紅包給兒童,長者

7.00p.m. Buffet dinner, Angpow to Children n Seniors

从晚上8點起卡拉OK演唱, 幸运抽奖

From 8.00p.m. Karaoke OK Singing, Lucky Draw

Singer will get An Angpow 演唱者有紅包

祝新年快乐 Wishing Everyone A Happy New Year

提供汽水食物 Drink, Food Provided

欢迎大家光临参加 Everyone Welcome

Anyone interested to sing, phone Allan 0417120866

or sms Albert 0477042112, or ask at canteen counter

Singers will receive Angpow, limited numbers. fcs.

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