

# NINGBO BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards  
China

剑桥卓越学子大奖颁奖典礼  
中国



# UNITY DIVERSITY EXCELLENCE



Cambridge Assessment  
International Education  
Cambridge International School

## **Dates to Remember**

- November 18: Secondary Student Council Fall Festival
- November 22: Secondary Sports Day
- November 23: Secondary Music Day
- November 28 – December 1: NBIS Book Fair
- November 30: SAC-Teacher Get-together

**Congratulations to**

**Adeday Solomon Belete**

**Liena Schwartz**

**Yuu Takenaka**

**for winning the 2023 Award of Top in the  
World for Cambridge IGCSE, Foreign  
Language Mandarin Chinese.**

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**Further congratulations to**

**Yi Lyu (Ian)**

**for winning the 2023 Award of High  
Achievement for Cambridge International  
AS Level Travel & Tourism.**

**Well done all!**



# NBIS Students Received Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards

The Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards celebrates the success of high-performing learners taking Cambridge examinations. The primary purpose of these awards is to celebrate and recognise the success of high-performing Cambridge learners. All Cambridge Assessment International Education students are eligible for our prestigious 'Top in the World' award. In those countries where more students take Cambridge examinations, a wider range of awards are available, including 'Top in Country', 'Best Across' and 'High Achievement'.

Top performing learners received their Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards at a ceremony on Wednesday, 15 November. NBIS students, their family members and three NBIS staff attended the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards Ceremony in Shanghai. Even though NBIS has had students attend the ceremony before, this is the first time we have had four award winners in a single exam series.



The ceremony occurred in the afternoon, but teachers and students set off early in the morning from Ningbo to be on time. The subject teachers of the top students attended the awards- Ms Emily Zhang and Mr Simon Liu, who are Chinese Language teachers at NBIS; Ms Alicia Froome is the Travel & Tourism teacher. Students and parents met teachers at the hotel. Our former student, Adeday Solomon Belete, now studying in Australia, flew to Shanghai to join us and receive her Top in the World award for foreign language Chinese. Liena Schwartz and Yuu Takenaka also received Top in the world for foreign language Chinese. Yi Lyu received high achievement in Travel & Tourism.



It is extremely rewarding to congratulate Cambridge learners and teachers at NBIS who have worked so hard to achieve tremendous success in Cambridge AS and A-level examinations. The results reflect the enormous talent in Mainland China, not only among learners but also within the teaching profession. Learners from NBIS have a bright future ahead of them, and we think they will achieve success in their future.



# NINGBO SPORTS LEAGUE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The 23-24 Ningbo Sports League Season started last weekend with the first of many tournaments. On this occasion, Basketball was the sport played among the International Schools located in Ningbo.

First of all, big thanks to HD Ningbo School for the amazing organization and for hosting the tournament.

Secondly, from NBIS we are very proud of all the students that participated in the event, from the players to the supporters. They were representing the school to the best of their abilities.

Last but not least, we must recognize the job done by the teachers and coaches, alongside the parents' support.

The tournament started early in the morning with two games being played at the same time: U12 NBHIS vs NBIS and U15 AIAN vs NBIS. Both of our teams had a great game with varied results. While the U12 students got their first victory in a very close game (just one point difference), the U15 boys lost in another close game, just 4 points down an outstanding AIAN team. The feeling from both sides was good, where everyone recognizing the huge effort and good game that both teams had.



The second round of games had a similar output in the scores, with the U15 NBIS team having a great game with a close result at the end, and the U12 winning the second and last game of the day for them, which led them to win the tournament and achieve another trophy for our cabinet. Students, parents, and teachers were very happy about this and for the opportunity to experience the beauty of competition through sports.



However, there wasn't much time for a break and the tournament had to continue, with the last game for our U15 boys and the first game for the U19 NBIS team, whose tournament was beginning in the afternoon. The U15 team had a tough game on the outdoor court against the best team of the day, NBHIS. Nevertheless, our boys fought until the end of the game, not giving up and trying to improve their performance in order to get more and more points in the score. At the same time, on the indoor court, the U19 team was playing an intense first game against GSN. The effort from the students was great but, unluckily, we couldn't get a positive result at the end of it.



In the last two games of the day for NBIS, our U19 boys improved their performance and played to their limits. The first of them, against HD School, was a very tight game from beginning to end. We couldn't get a positive result reflected in the scoreboard, but we got a positive feeling: without much practice since the previous the tournament we gave our opponents a tough time. Opponents who are practicing twice a week! After that, with no rest in between, our students had to play the last match of the day against, again, the best team in the category (NBHIS). Great effort and performance from our students, who ended up exhausted after all the minutes played during the tournament.



The first tournament of the season ended with the awards ceremony and a group photo including all the schools participating: HD, AIAN, NBHIS, GSN, and NBIS. Tired and smiley faces were all around, but everyone was looking forward to the next opportunity to represent their school in the Ningbo Sports League.

NBIS... Sharks!!!





# CONGRATULATIONS



**Harry Wang**

Year 2C Student

Congratulations to Harry Wang in Year 2C who won the tri-colour medal at the Spartan Warriors competition on Saturday, November 11th.

He completed the 3.5km obstacle course in 27min and 10 seconds.



# CONGRATULATIONS



## Charles Morris

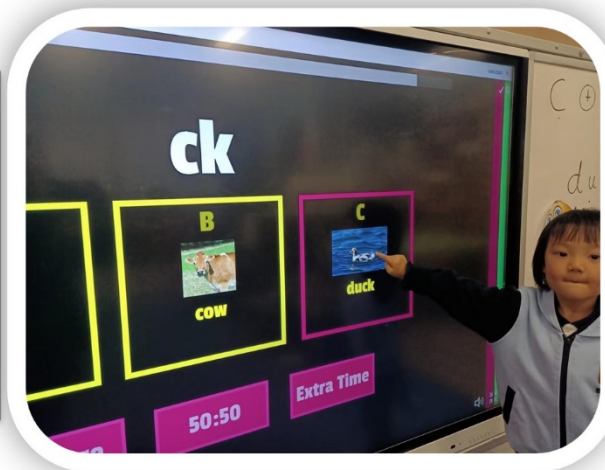
Year 9A Student



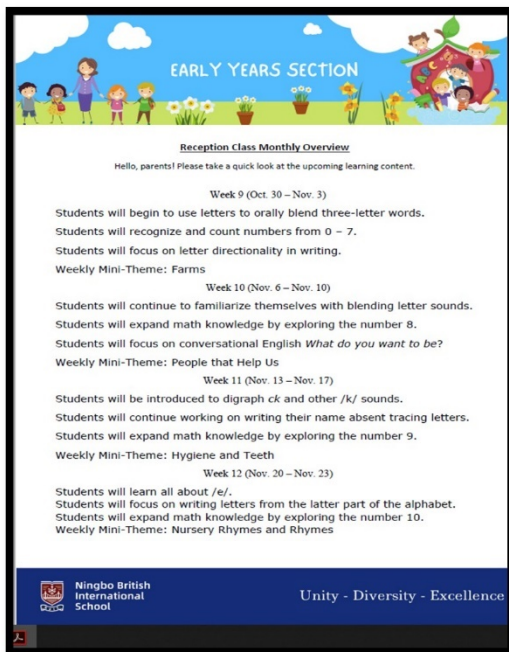
Congratulations to Charlie Morris in Year 9A who placed 5th-8th in the Under 15's Shanghai Squash Open Tournament.

# Reception B

In Week 11, the NBIS EY Section Reception B class features a focus on the **ck** digraph, as well as an exploration into emotions. The latter is considered via colors, wherein each color represents certain physical and emotional characteristics. Pushing past "I like it," our young learners are able to identify their emotional state by selecting colors that match their feelings. "**To know thyself is the beginning of wisdom.**" That beauty is from Socrates!



## Updates in NBIS Early Years Reception



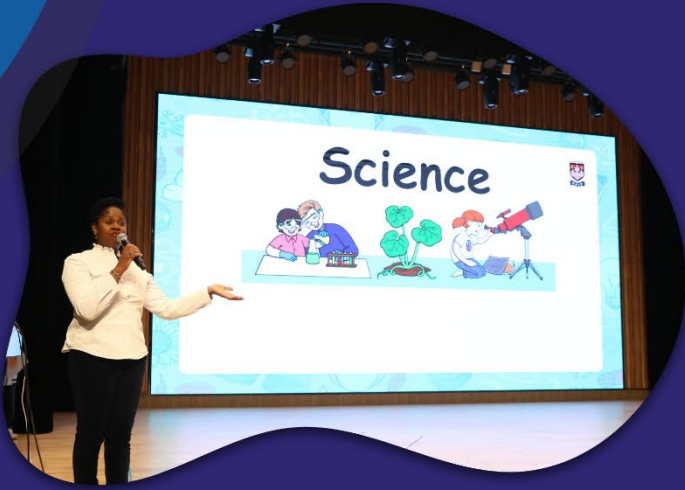
Teacher-to-Parent Communication

*Evidence of a successful school Section includes timely, scheduled, and routine communication. One element that must not be overlooked is the content of such communication. Is sufficient information shared? Is there 'information overload'? Parents deserve to be informed as to what is going on in the classroom. But this message must be organized / succinct.*

Learning Objectives / Attainment Targets		Student Name	Student Name	Student Name	Student Name
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5	<b>Math</b>				
6	Identify / Count - #3	■	■	■	■
7	Number Recognition 1-10	■	■	■	■
8	<b>Phonics</b>				
9	Say the letter name (k)	■	■	■	■
10	Say the letter sound (k)	■	■	■	■
11	<b>Writing</b>				
12	Hold Pencil	■	■	■	■
	Write Name	■	■	■	■

How do teachers *know* students are learning? How does student progress inform lesson planning? Tracking taught content serves a foundational role in the implementation of a curriculum. EY Reception Classes standardize and unify content progression. We will do our best to ensure all students are prepared for Year 1 studies.

# WEEK 11 ASSEMBLY!



For Upper Primary Assembly, Mrs. Shirley and the Primary Student Council took us on a trip down memory lane as we reflected on the happenings of Science Week.

Everyone had fun and we raised over 1,000rmb for our charity - the Sunflower Fund Medical Aid for Children in Zhejiang. We all agreed on the importance of science in our everyday lives and were happy that we could have celebrated World Science Day for Peace and Development on November 10th with others all over the world.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STARS OF THE WEEK

- 4A - Sean, Eloise
- 4B - Xiang-Yun, Eamonn
- 5A - Hanna, Yannis
- 5B - Asger, Emilia
- 5C - Beatrice
- 6 - Saeka, Kajo



# Primary Science Week at NBIS



Science at NBIS is fun, exciting and full of wonder at every stage. Our roadmap is the Cambridge Primary Science Curriculum which organizes the learning objectives into the content stands of Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Earth and Space; a skills strand of Thinking and Working Scientifically and a context strand – Science in Context. Our approach is integrative and so students often learn science concepts together with topics from other subject areas and our teachers consistently support learners in seeing how science is relevant to their everyday lives.

Science Week is one way that we heighten the excitement for science in our school and this year we chose to celebrate Science Week to coincide with the World Science Day for Peace and Development which is celebrated annually on November 10th. Our theme was **Trusting Science for a Better Life** and during Science Week (November 6-10) the entire Primary section from Years 1 – 6, was abuzz with activities as students and teachers, built models, made posters, designed and executed experiments, conducted research, rehearsed speeches, planned lessons and shared their learning.



Lower Primary students explored the topic of sound as they used tuning forks and built and tested their own Walkie-Talkies using paper cups and strings. The little ones eagerly tested their creations and had so much fun in the building process.



The Year 2 group were not to be outdone as they investigated different materials to make water-proof umbrellas. The young scientists made their hypotheses about which materials would be best suited for the task and built and tested their creations. A young scientist concluded after Day One that "Paper towel is rubbish for making an umbrella. Tin foil is much better." By Day Three of the experiment, it was clear to everyone in Year 2 that of all the materials tested, plastic was the best suited for making waterproof umbrellas.



Year 3 students embarked upon an exciting integrated learning 3D Printing Project. This began with students using their Letter Writing skills from English class to communicate with our secondary school's IT teacher requesting a tour of our IT Lab and more information on 3D Printing. At the end of it all, Year 3 students became experts at not only at 3D Printing, but explaining the process to others!



For Upper Primary, Year 4 students focused on Earth and Space with their simulation of volcanos to a very excited Year 5 group and learned about the chemical reaction of vinegar and baking soda in the process – Earth and Space, Physics and Chemistry all in one lesson!



Year 5 investigated density and taught their Year 6 visitors about how to calculate it. Students made hypotheses about the density of different known liquids and later tested their hypotheses. The brightly-coloured density towers provided concrete evidence for the rich learning they experienced.



Year 6 students returned the favour to Year 5 students as they shared their knowledge of the Respiratory System, associated diseases and treatment. The young scientists and teachers shared PowerPoint presentations, posters, dramatic skits and even game-show-style presentations with their visitors.



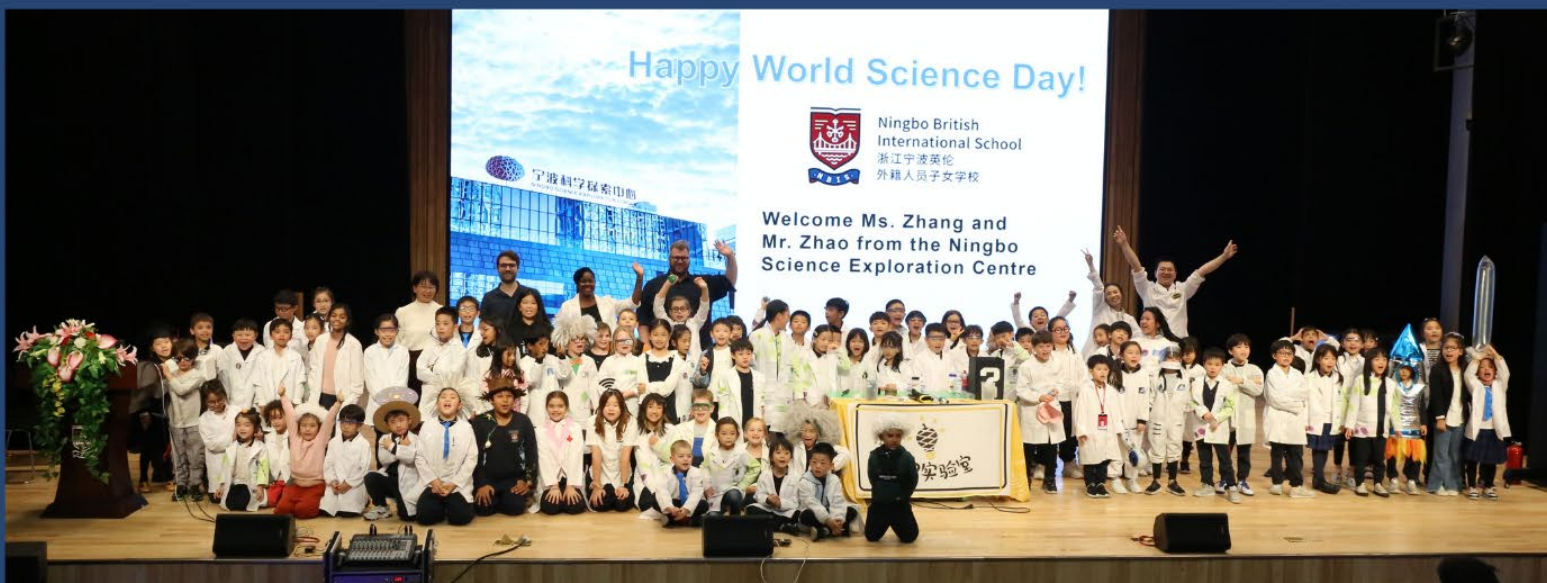
Primary Science Week culminated on Friday November 10th with Science Dress-Up Day and a fantastic science show put on by the Ningbo Science Exploration Centre. The atmosphere in the auditorium was nothing short of electric as students witnessed disappearing fire, multi-coloured fire tornados, and dove into instant clouds made by the expert scientists.



As we had fun and celebrated the relevance of science in our everyday lives, we took care to remember needy children in our community. All funds raised from our Science Dress-Up Day will be donated to our local charity, the Sunflower Fund Medical Aid for Children.



Primary Science Week 2023 was a huge success. Thanks to all our students, teachers, staff, parents and NBIS friends for making the week a memorable one.



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NBIS Primary Science Subject Leader

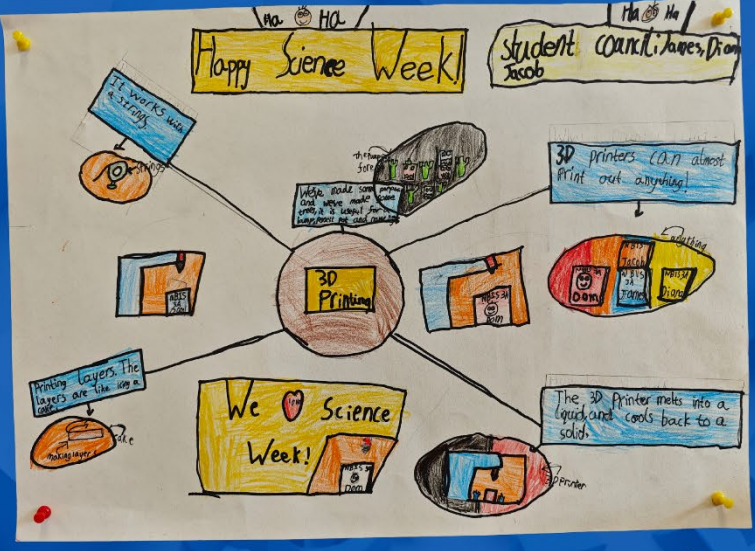
# YEAR 3A 3D PRINTING PROJECT

Year 3A embarked on a cross-curriculum 3D printing adventure, fostering STEAM skills in young minds at NBIS. Using their letter-writing skills from English, they wrote questions to NBIS's IT Coordinator and 3D Printing expert Mr Sean asking questions about 3D printing. They were then invited to the NBIS 3D Printing Lab for a tour and many of their questions were answered. Students got to see some 3D printing in action and had a great time thinking and learning about the possibilities of 3D printing. When finished, students wrote letters to Mr Sean to say thank you!

Mr Armstrong then guided students in designing their own 3D-printable objects. Students talked about 3D shapes and how we define them as part of the maths curriculum, using 3D-design software "Tinkercad" to showcase different objects. As for the design, students wanted something spooky and useful, so they made a spooky cube jack-o-lantern, which each student customised with their own name. The cube-shaped jack-o-lanterns can be used as stationary holders, lanterns and also spooky-shadow-projectors. Most importantly, as many students pointed out, they can be kept as memories of our 3D printing journey, learning and time together as a class.

When the design work was finished, students designed information text posters and presented their findings to each other.





November 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday 2023  
2023

# 3D Printing

Jimmy, Evan, Kai  
Praying mantis group

How do 3D printing works?

3D printing works like icing a cake but it is melting some string. It melts it and make it into shapes. It needs over 6 hours to print.

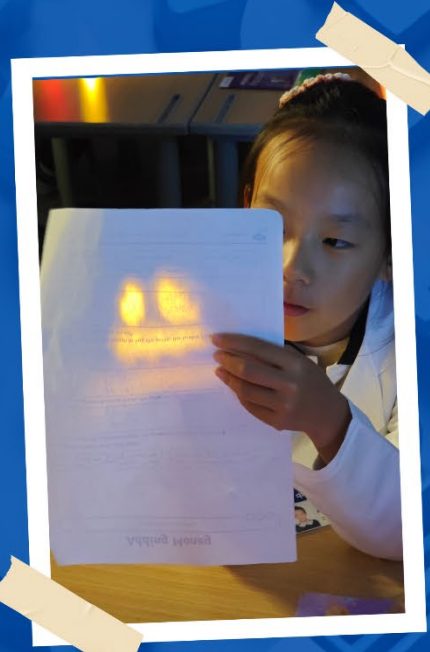
What is 3D printing?

3D printing is like printing some thing that is 3D. It melts the string so it can print some thing that is 3D. Then the liquid string cools and it becomes a solid.

What did we make?

We made some Minerals spooky pumpkins and we wrote our names at the back, we can use it like a pencil holder and a lamp and we learned translucent, transparent and opaque.

The End



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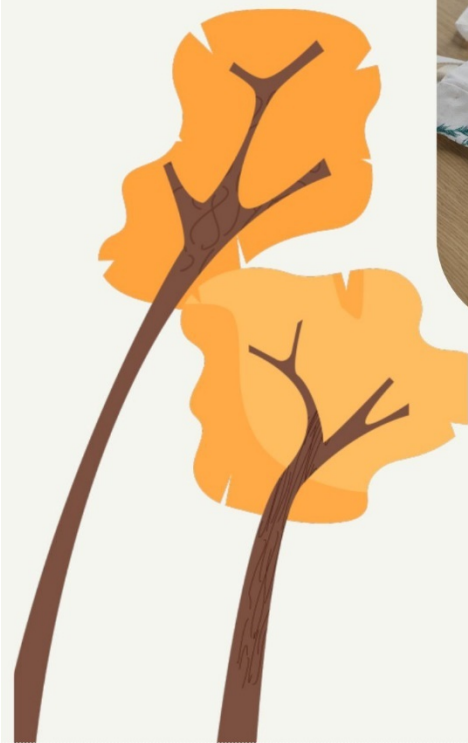


# NBIS PTA CAFE



P - Participation  
T - Teamwork  
A - Appreciation







**NBIS Food Committee**

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**Purpose:** NBIS food committee is essential for ensuring the well-being and health of students by overseeing the food services provided by the school canteen. The committee is responsible for various responsibilities, which may include:

1. The NBIS Food Committee helps in developing and reviewing the school lunch menu, ensuring that it meets nutritional guidelines and provides balanced meals for students.
2. The committee monitors the quality, safety, and hygiene of the food prepared and served in the school canteen.
3. The committee establishes and promotes nutritional standards for school meals, considering the dietary needs and preferences of students.
4. The committee addresses dietary restrictions and special needs of students, such as allergies, religious or cultural preferences, or medical conditions.
5. The committee promotes awareness among students, staff, and parents about healthy eating habits, nutrition education, and the importance of a balanced diet.
6. The committee gathers feedback from students, parents, and staff regarding the food services and makes improvements based on the feedback received.

Please kindly find the NBIS Food Committee members below:

- Mr. Ivan Muhov from Secondary School - Committee Leader
- Ms. Michelle Stevenson from Primary School
- Mr. Kai Zhang - Co Leader (Primary Parent from SAC)
- Ms. Glauca Lanzoni (Secondary Parent from PTA)
- Mr. Dwayne Xie from NBIS General Affairs Office
- Ms. Daniella Zheng from NBIS School Clinic

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# NBIS Weekly Menu



Sample Dishes



November 20 – November 23



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外籍人员子女学校

NBIS: Unity - Diversity - Excellence

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Lunch Menu	Meat with potato	Roast sausage	Garlic vermicelli scallops	Rib with Corn
	土豆烧肉	烤香肠	粉丝扇贝	玉米仔排
	Salty fried chicken	Salt baked chicken	Curry chicken	Turkey
	鸡肉肠	盐焗鸡腿	咖喱鸡	烤火鸡
	Roast duck	Braised meatball	Stewed pork with sauce	Chicken
	烤鸭	红烧狮子头	糟卤肉	上校鸡块
	Fried Cauliflower	Roast sweet potato	Sushi	Tapioca pudding
	炒花菜	烤地瓜	寿司	西米露
	Vegetable	Cabbage	Cauliflower	Scrabble egg with tomato
	炒青菜	炒包菜	有机花菜	西红柿炒蛋
	Tofu	Corn with green bean	Roast potato	Potato Wire
	葱油豆腐	青豆玉米	烤土豆	土豆丝
	French bread	Croissant	Vegetable	Pizza
	法国面包	牛角包	五号菜	披萨
	Fried slice streaky pork	Poached pork slices	Pork slices	Gross blood Mong
	小炒肉	水煮肉片	酸菜肉片	毛血旺
	Shrimp	Shrimp	Shrimp	Shrimp
	红烧虾	盐水虾	油爆河虾	红烧虾
	Fish	Jerk filefish	Little yellow croaker	Braised Crucian Carp with Scallion
	椒盐玉兔鱼	孜然橡皮鱼	葱油小黄鱼	葱烤河鲫鱼
	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
	水果	水果	水果	水果
	Vegetable soup	Tofu and cabbage soup	Tomato soup with egg	Seaweed soup
	万年青汤	大白菜豆腐汤	番茄蛋汤	紫菜虾皮汤
Rice	Rice	Rice	Rice	
米饭	米饭	米饭	米饭	
Vegetable	Vegetable	Vegetable	Vegetable	
蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	蔬菜拼盘	
Snack Menu	Grape	Banana	Cherry tomato	Banana
	葡萄	香蕉	小番茄	香蕉
	Egg cake	Dumpling	Egg	Stemed cremy custrd bun
	鸡蛋饼	蒸饺	水煮蛋	奶黄包
	Pear	Winter jujube	Apple	Longan
	香梨	冬枣	苹果	桂圆
Bread with jam	Dried egg	Cake with dried meat floss	Chocolate biscuit	
面包片 + 果酱	鸡蛋干	肉松蛋糕	巧克力饼干	





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