**SUBJECT-SPECIFIC ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**SUBJECT: Chinese**

**THE SCHOOL**

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| 1 | Recommended books:  Pearl Buck, The Good Earth  Gu Hua, Small Town Called Hibiscus  Jung Chang, Wild Swans  Amy Tan, The Joy Luck Club  Guo Xiaolu, Village of Stone |
| 2 | Documentaries/films:  Ai Weiwei, Human Flow  Ai Weiwei, Cockroach  BBC, Wild China  Chen Xiaoqing, A Bite of China (food documentary series)  Bernardo Bertolucci, The Last Emperor  Ang Li films (Eat Drink Man Woman, Pushing Hands, The Wedding Banquet, Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon)  Zhang Yimou films (Red Sorghum, Raise the Red Lantern, Ju Dou, The Road Home, House of Flying Daggers)  Wang Xiaoshuai, Beijing Bicycle  Shanghai Animation Film Studio films (available on Youtube – Nezha conquers the Dragon King, Lotus Lantern, Where is Mama?, Feelings From Mountain and Water) |
|  | Activities:  Explore The Chairman’s Bao Blog (<https://www.thechairmansbao.com/)>  Download the English-Chinese dictionary app Pleco onto your phone  Try your hand at Chinese calligraphy (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d9A5T8csr-A)> or traditional paper-cutting (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gAGjlGsZkx8)>  Learn and recite a poem off by heart (eg 静夜思 (Jing Ye Si) by李白 (Li Bai))  Learn about and celebrate traditional Chinese festivals! |
| 4 | Places to visit:  Explore the British Museum’s collection of Chinese ceramics, paintings, prints and jade.  Explore the V&A’s Far Eastern collections. |
| 5 | Competitions:  Queen’s College Poetry Recital Competition  British Council Mandarin Speaking Competition (<https://www.britishcouncil.org/education/schools/support-for-languages/partnerships-courses-resources/chinese-speaking-competition)>  Bai Meigui Translation Competition at the Leeds Centre for New Chinese Writing (<https://writingchinese.leeds.ac.uk/translation-competition/)> |

**JUNIOR COLLEGE**

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| 1 | Recommended books:  Pearl Buck novels (The Good Earth, The Mother) |
| 2 | Documentaries/films:  Shanghai Animation Film Studio films (available on Youtube)   * Nezha conquers the Dragon King ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0SKGg8xOPs, with subtitles)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z0SKGg8xOPs)) * Lotus Lantern   (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iz39YWx1How&list=PLr_BaRm6OQsEJpJK610rSrJ3RPrN7Flpk)>   * The Calabash Brothers (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oliV4nBWRfg&list=PLQnebQq8W8zatAM1kW8rsxUjMMq0fTdAH>, with subtitles) * Where is Mama? (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pW_e7fJZ6Cw)> * Feelings From Mountain and Water 山水情 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKyy89cqhaE)>   Drama Series:  All is Well  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qu12PYCPfX4&ab_channel=CNDRAMA>  Nothing But Thirty  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALcr22A-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALcr22A-Nothing) |
| 3 | Activities:  Explore The Chairman’s Bao Blog (<https://www.thechairmansbao.com/)>  Download the English-Chinese dictionary app Pleco onto your phone  Try to find a Chinese ‘penpal’ with whom you can keep in touch regularly in Chinese  Try your hand at Chinese calligraphy (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d9A5T8csr-A)> or traditional paper-cutting (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gAGjlGsZkx8)>  Learn and recite a poem off by heart (eg 静夜思 (Jing Ye Si) by李白 (Li Bai))  Learn about and celebrate traditional Chinese festivals! |
| 4 | Places to visit:  Visit London’s Chinatown!  Go to the British Museum and the V&A to explore their Chinese art collections |
| 5 | Competitions:  Queen’s College Poetry Recital Competition  ISMLA original writing competition  https://www.ismla.co.uk/news/ismla-writing-competition-2020/  British Council Mandarin Speaking Competition (<https://www.britishcouncil.org/education/schools/support-for-languages/partnerships-courses-resources/chinese-speaking-competition)>  Bai Meigui Translation Competition at the Leeds Centre for New Chinese Writing (<https://writingchinese.leeds.ac.uk/translation-competition/)> |

**SENIOR COLLEGE**

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| 1 | Recommended books:  Mo Yan, Red Sorghum  Jung Chang, Wild Swans  Pearl Buck (The Good Earth, Peony, The Mother, Dragon Seed)  Amy Tan (The Joy Luck Club, The Hundred Secret Senses, The Opposite of Fate)  Guo Xiaolu (A Concise Chinese-Dictionary for Lovers, Village of Stone, I Am China)  Edgar Snow, Red Star Over China  Jung Chang and Jon Halliday, Mao: The Unknown Story |
| 2 | Documentaries/ films:  Ai Weiwei, Human Flow  Ai Weiwei, Cockroach  BBC, Wild China  Chen Xiaoqing, A Bite of China (food documentary series)  Bernardo Bertolucci, The Last Emperor  Ang Li films (Eat Drink Man Woman, Pushing Hands, The Wedding Banquet, Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon)  Zhang Yimou films (Red Sorghum, Raise the Red Lantern, Ju Dou, The Road Home, House of Flying Daggers)  Wang Xiaoshuai, Beijing Bicycle  Shanghai Animation Film Studio films (available on Youtube)  Drama Series:  All is Well  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qu12PYCPfX4&ab_channel=CNDRAMA>  Nothing But Thirty  [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALcr22A-](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALcr22A-Nothing) |
| 3 | Activities:  Explore The Chairman’s Bao Blog (<https://www.thechairmansbao.com/)>  Research French artist Fabienne Verdier who takes inspiration from Chinese calligraphy and Chinese artist Peng Wei who is influenced by traditional Chinese painting  Try to communicate regularly with someone in Chinese e.g. a friend or relative who speaks Chinese  Change the language on your telephone / laptop to Chinese  Download the English-Chinese dictionary app Pleco onto your phone |
| 4 | Places to visit:  Visit London’s Chinatown!  Explore the British Museum’s and the V&A’s Chinese art collections  Take a virtual tour of SOAS (School of Oriental and African Studies) (<https://www.soas.ac.uk/virtual-tour/)>  Explore events at Lau China Institute, King’s College London |
| 5 | Competitions:  Queen’s College Poetry Recital Competition  ISMLA original writing competition  https://www.ismla.co.uk/news/ismla-writing-competition-2020/  British Council Mandarin Speaking Competition (<https://www.britishcouncil.org/education/schools/support-for-languages/partnerships-courses-resources/chinese-speaking-competition)>  Bai Meigui Translation Competition at the Leeds Centre for New Chinese Writing (<https://writingchinese.leeds.ac.uk/translation-competition/)>  Cambridge Linguistics Essay Competition |
| 6 | Online talks:  Listen to Ai Weiwei on Tateshots (<https://www.tate.org.uk/art/artists/ai-weiwei-8208/ai-weiwei-one-one?gclid=CjwKCAiA6aSABhApEiwA6Cbm_14odfYZGaEBDh7AB3KFs3tEcd718y2Ik8iO4fiW-CxTOpXioBxCRBoC9DkQAvD_BwE>) and talking about his Sunflower Seeds (<https://www.tate.org.uk/art/artists/ai-weiwei-8208/ai-weiwei-sunflower-seeds)>  Keep an eye on online events at SOAS (<https://www.soas.ac.uk/china-institute/events/)> |
| 7 | Courses:  Undertake an intensive Chinese language course with Mandarin House at their schools in Shanghai and Beijing (<https://mandarinhouse.com/)> |