A large, stylized red dragon illustration is positioned on the left side of the page. The dragon is coiled, with its head turned towards the right, showing its horns, whiskers, and open mouth with sharp teeth. The dragon's body is covered in detailed scales and patterns.

Chinese holidays with my mixed family

Erin Lilly

My Family



Chinese Holidays-2024

February 10:
Chinese New
Year

September 17:
Mid-Autumn
Festival

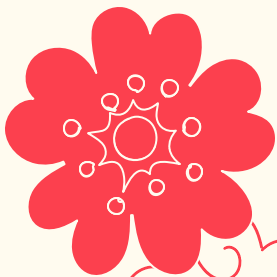
January

April 4:
Qing Ming

December

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Chinese New Year



Greetings

- 新年快乐 (xīn nián kuài lè) : Happy new year
- 恭喜发财 (Gōngxǐ fācái) : Wishing you prosperity
- 年年有余 (Nián Nián Yǒu Yú) : May you have abundance year after year



Burning incense

- Honor ancestors
- Burned at family altars and temples to offer respect and prayers for blessings
- Wards off evil spirits



Red Envelopes

- 红包 - hóngbāo
- Filled with money and given to children
- Symbolize good luck and prosperity
- Red color wards off evil



Zodiac Animals

- Follows a 12-year cycle, with each year represented by an animal
- Rat, Ox, Tiger, Rabbit, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, Pig
- Used to predict fortune, health, and relationships for the upcoming year



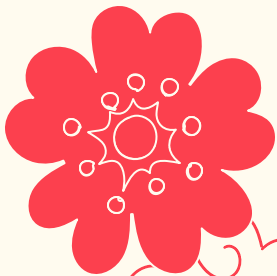
Blooming flowers

- Represent growth, renewal, prosperity, and the promise of a fresh start
- A sign of wealth and prosperity in the coming year
- Homes are decorated with flowers to bring good luck and ensure success



02

Qing Ming



Food and Incense

- Offerings of food, drinks, and incense are placed at the grave to show respect to ancestors
- Lobster, roast pig, rice, eggs



The grave

- Grave is cleaned of weeds, dirt, and debris
- Picnic at the grave with family
- Alters set up at home for graves unable to be visited

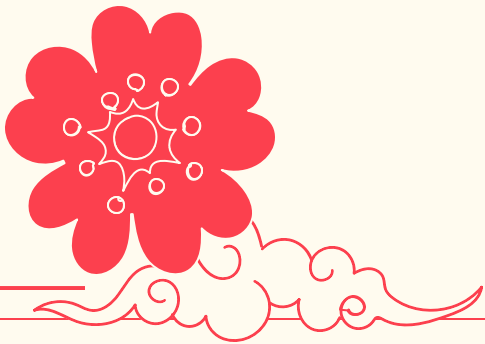


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Mid-Autumn Festival

中秋节-Zhōngqiū jié



History



Lanterns

- 灯笼 - Dēnglóng
- Used for decoration and as a toy
- Symbolize unity, good fortune, and the festival itself
- In ancient times, lanterns were used as lighting tools



Family & Food

- A time to gather, share, and give thanks
- 月饼 - Yuèbǐng (Moon cakes)
- Symbolize family unity and completeness





谢谢!

