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*More than a billion people around the world, including in China, Korea, Vietnam, and many other Asian countries, celebrate the coming of spring with Lunar New Year festivities. Last week, student and faculty leaders of the middle school's Asian American Culture Club (AACC) held an assembly including an explanation of Lunar New Year and a dragon dance courtesy of Wushu Shaolin Entertainment. AACC also offered special treats and crafts on the commons and enjoyed a Lunar New Year potluck hosted by parent affinity groups including the Harvard-Westlake Chinese Cultural Club, Harvard-Westlake Ohana, Japanese-American Affinity Group, and Korean American Parents Association. Last Monday, Asian Students in Action (ASiA) brought the celebration to the upper school quad with a Lunar New Year Festival. Daring students competed in a spicy ramen challenge, consuming a whole bowl of noodles spiked with ultra-hot sauce. Others faced off in a chopstick race, practiced calligraphy and origami, and feasted on Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean and Hawaiian cuisine under red tassel garlands. 恭喜发财, 새해 복 많이 받으세요, chúc mừng năm mới, and Happy Lunar New Year to one and all!*

Cheers,

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**Ring in the Lunar New**

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