

## Chinese New Year

### English Characters

Lunar (Chinese) New Year

New Year's Eve

Celebrate the New Year

First day of New Year

Second day of New Year

Third day of New Year

(Up to the fifteenth day because Chinese Year New is from 1/1 – 1/15 according to the lunar calendar)

Last day of New Year

(This is also the Chinese Valentine's Day)

### Yale Romanization

nung<sup>4</sup>lik<sup>6</sup>san<sup>1</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>cheui<sup>4</sup>jik<sup>6</sup>gwo<sup>3</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>cho<sup>1</sup>yat<sup>1</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>cho<sup>1</sup>yi<sup>6</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>cho<sup>1</sup>saam<sup>1</sup>yun<sup>4</sup>siu<sup>1</sup>

### Activities during Chinese New Year

Reunion dinner (Held on New Year's Eve)

Shopping at the flower market

Visit relatives and friends during New Year

Giving out red pocket

(Married Adults and elderly do)

Getting red pocket

Play firecrackers

Play fireworks

nin<sup>4</sup>ye<sup>6</sup>faan<sup>6</sup>/ tyun<sup>4</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>faan<sup>6</sup>haang<sup>4</sup>fa<sup>1</sup>si<sup>5</sup>baai<sup>3</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>paai<sup>3</sup>lei<sup>6</sup>si<sup>6</sup>dau<sup>6</sup>lei<sup>6</sup>si<sup>6</sup>siu<sup>1</sup>paau<sup>3</sup>jeung<sup>2</sup>fong<sup>3</sup>yin<sup>1</sup>fa<sup>1</sup>

### Food

Dumpling (because it looks like Chinese gold ingots)

New Year's cake

Glutinous rice dumpling

Candy

gaau<sup>2</sup>ji<sup>2</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>gou<sup>1</sup>tong<sup>1</sup>yun<sup>2</sup>tong<sup>2</sup>

### Decorations

Red banners (with greetings on it)

Flowers

Mandarin Orange

fai<sup>1</sup>cheun<sup>1</sup>fa<sup>1</sup>gam<sup>1</sup>

### Chinese New Year Greetings

Congratulations and be prosperous

Congratulations and be prosperous, please give me red pockets (usually children say this)

gung<sup>1</sup>hei<sup>2</sup>faat<sup>3</sup>choi<sup>4</sup>, lei<sup>6</sup>si<sup>6</sup>dau<sup>6</sup>loi<sup>4</sup>gung<sup>1</sup>hei<sup>2</sup>faat<sup>3</sup>choi<sup>4</sup>

May all your wishes come true

Good luck

May there be surpluses every year

sam<sup>1</sup>seung<sup>2</sup>si<sup>6</sup>sing<sup>4</sup>daai<sup>6</sup>gat<sup>1</sup>daai<sup>6</sup>lei<sup>6</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>nin<sup>4</sup>yau<sup>5</sup>yu<sup>4</sup>