

UNIVERSITY^{OF} BIRMINGHAM

Intensive 3-day Mandarin Chinese and Japanese Language Courses at the University of Birmingham for Gifted and Talented Y9 Pupils

6 - 8 April 2009

Do you have a flair for languages?

Are you up for a challenge and keen to learn something new?

Are you interested in Chinese or Japanese language and culture?

Then why not really go for it and sign up for a 3-day Mandarin Chinese or Japanese course at the University of Birmingham!





<u>About the courses:</u>

You have a choice of either a Chinese or a Japanese three-day course at the University. You will be studying on campus and will be taught by tutors from the University's Centre for Modern Languages.

Each day starts at 10am and finishes at 3.30pm, with a lunch break from 12.45-1.30 (please bring a packed lunch).

You will learn the basics of the language such as introducing yourself, giving personal information, counting, telling the time, shopping, talking about your family. You will also gain some insight into the Chinese/Japanese writing system and will explore interesting facts about China and Japan. In the afternoon, activities will centre on cultural topics and activities such as: origami, calligraphy, songs, role play...

The last afternoon of your course will be a showcase of everything you have learned, with exhibitions and performances of your work. Your family is invited to come along and be amazed by your new skills!

Please note that these courses are non-residential, i.e. the participants do NOT stay over night at the University and have to make their own way to and from campus.

Booking and further information:

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