

# Kites --- fēng zheng

## 风 筝



WHAT TO MAKE FRAME / SAIL?

The Chinese had the basic building materials to make kites - silk and bamboo in ancient China.



- **Why** are kites so liked by people, **ESPECIALLY** by kids?



# Do you have any idea as to how the kite was invented?

♥ **HAT** One theory is that a Chinese man's hat may have been blown off and was caught by the neckband which made it fly in the wind.

♥ **LEAVES** •A second theory is that people got the idea of kites when seeing leaves falling from trees.

♥ **SAIL** Or it may have been inspired by seeing the sails of fishing boats being blown in the wind. (The sail was in use in China 3000 years ago)

# Luban, INVENTOR of kites



- 公输子削竹木为鸢，成而飞之，三日不下

- **Weifang** is considered as the birthplace of kite in China and, is given the name “World Kite Capital” .



Kite Square 风筝广场

Feng zheng guang chang



风筝博物馆

Feng zheng bo wu guan



Every spring ten of thousands of friends from all over the world come to Weifang to enjoy flying kites.

The Kite Festival has become the name card of Weifang to the whole country and to the world.

When?

**April 20th  
to 1st May**



Fu wa kite--- fu wa feng zheng



# CHARACTERS WRITTEN ON KITES

展 (zhǎn) 翅 (chì) 高  
(gāo) 飞 (fēi)

放 (fàng) 飞 (fēi) 理  
(lǐ) 想 (xiǎng)

A large, colorful dragon kite is the central focus, flying in a clear blue sky. The dragon's head is red with yellow horns and a large eye, and its body is decorated with yellow, green, and pink patterns. The kite has a long, flowing tail with many small red and yellow streamers. In the foreground, a large crowd of people is gathered on a grassy field, some holding umbrellas. The background shows a line of green hills under a bright sky. The text "THANK YOU" is overlaid in the center of the image.

**THANK YOU**



# Fly a kite--- fàng fēng zheng 放风筝



- The Chinese Emperors also used kites in wartime to send signals to their troops. Large kites were used to carry warriors armed with bows and arrows that would fire down on the enemy below.



# Lion kite— shi zi feng zheng



# Olympic kite --- ao yun feng zheng



# Olympic kite— ao yun feng zheng



# Mask kite— lian pu feng zheng



# Panda kite--- xiong mao feng zheng



Peacock kite=kong que feng zheng



Butterfly kite --- hú dié fēng zheng



# Dolphin kite

