


Reception Class Newsletter



Friday 27th January 2023



Dear Parents and Guardians,



We have had a wonderful week celebrating Chinese New Year. We immersed ourselves in the Chinese New Year story. We worked together to sequence the events of the story. Using props and puppets, the children began retelling the story.



We explored how Chinese New Year is celebrated. We had lots of fun making lanterns and gifting one another lucky red envelopes. We worked together to make dragon masks and came together to perform a dragon dance. Alongside celebrating Chinese New Year, we explored Chinese culture. We learnt how to greet one another in Mandarin and how to form some Chinese symbols including numbers to 10.



The children especially enjoyed serving and sharing traditional Chinese food and so we opened a Chinese restaurant. Role play scenarios that follow children's interests effectively encourage communication and language. In role play with the children, we focused on introducing new phrases and words. In this way, the children develop social phrases and broaden their vocabulary through play.

As part of pretend play, the children applied their phonic knowledge to write orders and applied their number skills to make payments. You can encourage your child to engage in role play at home through using language and simple household objects as props to create an imaginary world in which you can join your child and support them to learn and develop through play.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Bell & Miss Murphy
Mrs Jones & Miss Clements