



St. Mark's CofE Nursery

Weekly Newsletter w/b 4/2/19



**This half term's overarching topic is 'Traditional Tales'.
This week we will be celebrating 'Chinese New Year'.**

This week we are looking at the celebration of Chinese New Year. Finding out about different cultures and traditions is very important at our school. We will be discussing the similarities and differences between our celebrations and that of Chinese New Year. We will get to do some Chinese food tasting (so please make us aware of any allergies if you haven't already done so), make Chinese fans, colour dragons, thread numbered beads onto a dragon tail and do a dragon dance! Plus lots more....

Things to do at home:

During Chinese New Year children are sometimes given envelopes with money inside. You could look at some coins with your child and see if you can spot any numbers on them. Talk about the colours and shapes of the different coins. Some of our older children might enjoy counting them too. You could also try some Chinese foods at home and even attempt using chopsticks which will help to strengthen your child's fingers, helping with pencil control.

It would be lovely to see you making either Chinese lanterns or dragons at home with your child which we could then proudly display in Nursery.

Please help:

This week your child will have the opportunity to try some Chinese food. As always, if they do not wish to taste the foods that is fine. We will be cooking some egg noodles with honey and soy sauce, as well as trying prawn crackers. If you have not already informed nursery, please let us know of any allergies your child has ASAP.

Might I take this opportunity to thank all those of you who regularly put money in 'Winnie the Pooh' as without your generosity we would not be able to carry out these exciting activities. Thank you!



**Thanks again for all your support
Clare Ruddock & the nursery team
Nursery Teacher**

