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Activity Pack

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Chinese New Year

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February 1st is Chinese New Year; it's sometimes called the Spring Festival. Chinese New Year falls on the first New Moon of the year so the date changes each year. This year is the Chinese Year of the Tiger. There are 12 animals in the Chinese Animal Zodiac

Chinese New Year lasts about 2 weeks and during this time people eat lots of delicious food, children are given special red envelopes with money gifts inside and then paint lanterns to end the festival.

The Tiger is the 3rd animal in the Chinese Animal Zodiac. In a race for the Emperor to name the years, an ox gave a rat a lift, only to be cheated by the rat who jumped off the ox and then won the race. The rat was cunning and the ox was too trusting. The tiger, who was very tired, came 3rd. The Emperor named the 3rd year The Year of The Tiger.

IT Activity

Find out more facts about this celebration and see how much you can remember about Chinese New Year

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1cRMRp9-Z08>

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Colouring Sheets

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Colouring Activity 1

Colour the tiger. What is a tiger? Who beat the tiger in a special race for the Emperor of China? Was the tiger full of energy or very tired?

Colouring Activity 2

Colour the Chinese Lantern in your favourite colour. Why is it your favourite colour? Can you find 2 household items that are the same colour?

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Craft Activity

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Dreamcatcher

Making a dream catcher is a great way for kids get a restful sleep.

To make your own dreamcatcher you will need

- A paper plate
- A hole punch
- Scissors
- Feathers
- String or wool
- Glue
- Glitter (optional)

First fold the plate and cut a semi circle out along the inner rim of the plate. Next use a hole punch to punch holes around the outer rim of the plate.



Cut off 3 or 4 strands of string or wool and weave the wool through the holes. On the last hole, pull the wool through and then tie or glue a feather to the end. We recommend not using beads due to their small size. Keep threading wool until you have enough pieces hanging from the bottom of the dreamcatcher. Then hang on your bedroom wall for happy dreams



A more detailed version of this tutorial can be found at

<http://smashedpeasandcarrots.com/easy-paper-plate-dream-catcher-tutorial/>

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Speech and Language Activities

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Chinese New Year Word Mat



Can you find the lantern? What colour is the tiger?
What are the money envelopes for?

Mark Making

Try writing tiger in Chinese letters



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Maths Activities

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Practise Scissor Skills

Using scissors practise cutting along the zig zag lines on the worksheet

Red Envelopes

Using the pretend money sheet cut out and try putting 2 notes and 3 coins into an envelope. Why do we use money?

Personal and Social Activities

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Putting on Your Clothes

Practise putting on and taking off your own clothes. Can you fasten the buttons? Which item was the easiest to put on? Which was harder?

Handwashing – Revisited

Use the step by step guide to practise washing your hands correctly

Welsh Activity

Practise your shapes, colours and numbers in Welsh. Can you count backwards from 3-1?

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