



WEEKLY PARENT Information NEWSLETTER – Nursery 20 January 2014

MESSAGES

- **Monday 20 January** - Early Years Cubs Parent Coffee Morning, join us in the secondary dining room.
- Our last day of school before the Chinese New Year holiday will be Wednesday 29 January and we will return to school on Monday 10 February.
- **CHINESE NEW YEAR 'RED DAY'** – this will take place on Wednesday 29 January; the children may wear Chinese clothes or red clothes on this day and please send in a donation of 10RMB to go towards a charity.
- Parent helpers: We are looking for a parent helper for each class to help the children with the Chinese stir fry cooking on the morning of Wednesday 22 January. If you would like to help, please let your room parent know. Thanks!

Learning Theme

The children have really enjoyed learning and singing the traditional nursery rhymes. We are now all very excited to begin our new topic on Chinese New Year next week. We will be doing a variety of exciting New Year themed activities which include: introducing the story of Chinese Zodiac; painting horses; writing wishing tree wishes; dancing to traditional Chinese music, role playing in our Chinese restaurant and cooking Chinese stir fry, yum yum!



Key Vocabulary: Chinese New Year, red, race, horse, wishing tree, stir fry.

Expressive Arts & Creativity:

2014 is the year of the Horse, so we will find out lots of facts about horses and encourage the children to use their imagination to create their own horses, they can draw, paint or make a horse collage.

Literacy:

The children will be encouraged to talk about their New Year wishes and write them down on a red piece of card, they will then hang them on our Wishing Tree in the corridor.

Phonics

We will be continue to play a variety of games that focus on identifying the initial sounds in words, as well as rhyming games.

Mandarin

Next week we will focus on the topic of Chinese New Year. We will talk to the children about the Zodiac and that next year is the year of horse. We will be making lanterns and dumplings in our celebrations and look at how others are celebrating Chinese New year around the World.

Vocabulary:

horse 马 ma Happy New Year 新年好 xin nian hao dumpling 饺子 jiao zi
Red bag 红包 hong bao lantern 灯笼 deng long

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Dutch

Het is winter in de klas! Via de praatplaat hebben we woordjes geleerd rondom dit seizoen. Ook hebben we winterkleding benoemd en gepast. De kinderen hebben enthousiast gedanst op het liedjes 'Ik wil sneeuw'.

Please let us know if you have any comments, questions or concerns.

Many thanks for your continued support,

The Nursery Team