



Hello everyone.

Here is this week's home learning to keep you busy!

This week we are continuing with our Chinese New Year topic. Here are the activities for the week. We have split them into different areas of learning. Remember, they can be done in any order that you like.

PSED	Mrs Costen has recorded a lovely story for us called 'Kindness is my Super Power'. Listen to the story here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZpfBSqpX4c Who will you be kind to today?
Physical Development	I am sure you will be outside having fun in the snow this week! We would love to see your snowy pictures. This next activity will be good for warming your hands up after playing outside in the snow! This week we're going to use playdough to exercise our hand and finger muscles. Here is a recipe for playdough if you need it: 2 cups of plain flour 1 cup of salt 3 tsp vegetable oil 3 tsp cream of tartar 2 cups of boiling water Sing the song whilst you play with the dough. Can you squeeze, roll, squash and pinch your playdough? <i>Our playdough song (To the tune of Here we go round the mulberry bush):</i> <i>This the way we squeeze our dough, Squeeze our dough, squeeze our dough This is the way we squeeze our dough To make our fingers stronger.</i> <i>This the way we roll our dough.... This is the way we squash our dough...</i>

	<i>This is the way we pinch our dough....</i>
Literacy	There is a traditional Chinese New Year tale which tells the story of how the animals were chosen as symbols for each New Year. You can watch and listen to the story of The Great Race here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories/lets-celebrate-chinesenewyearperformance Can you retell the story using some toy animals?
Maths	We're using positional language this week in maths and here is a fun game for learning some position words. It goes like this: Ask an adult to hide a toy in your house. Ask questions to find out where it is, starting with the room it is in and then more specific questions, e.g. "Is it in the lounge?" "Is it underneath something?" or "Is it behind something?" Then, you could hide the toy and they can ask the questions to find it. Try to use lots of different position words, such as in, on, under, next to, between. I wonder who will find the best hiding places?
Understanding the world	At Chinese New Year, people eat special food and might even have a banquet. Maybe you could eat some Chinese food at home – it's fun to try new things! One of the things you might try is a bowl of noodles. Look at the dry noodles before they are cooked. What do they look and feel like? Read the packet instructions with your grown up to find out how to cook the noodles and then watch while they cook. Be careful, the water will be very hot! Now the noodles are cooked you can try them. Tell your grown up what they look, feel and taste like. How have they changed? I hope you enjoyed eating them!
Expressive Art and Design	We are going to make some cherry blossom fans this week in Class 1. Start with a piece of A5 paper. Use a small piece of sponge or a cotton bud and some paint to print a blossom design on your paper. When the paint has dried, fold your paper into a fan and use tape to hold it together at one end. 

Remember, we love to see your photos on Tapestry of all the lovely things that you have been doing during the week.

We hope you all stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing you back in nursery very soon!

Mrs Pocklington, Mrs Nash, Mrs Easter, Mrs Green and Mrs Barnes