

Dragons and Knights

Week beginning 5th February 2024

This week in phonics...

We will be learning to read and write words containing the trigraphs we have learnt so far 'igh', 'ear', 'air' and 'ure'.

We are learning to read 'there' and 'what' as well as continuing to practise all previously taught words.

Why this 'theme'?

We are exploring this theme as the start of the Chinese New Year has begun and it is the year of the dragon this year. It will provide a good opportunity to explore different cultures and beliefs.

This week in maths...

We will be learning about pairs of numbers (odd and even) and doubles up to double 5.

Skills Focus

Expressive Arts & Design: Learning a new song 'Puff the magic dragon'. Make a model of a dragon.

Communication & Language: Thinking of questions about a picture and discussing, sharing thoughts and ideas.

Understanding the world: Exploring differences and similarities with where we live and China.

PSED: Exploring stories around 'responsibility'.

Vocabulary

Expressive Arts & Design: Sing, song, perform, 3D models, collage, joining, materials.

Communication & Language: why, because.

Understanding the world: Country, similar, different, map, weather, world.

PSED: responsibility, consequences.

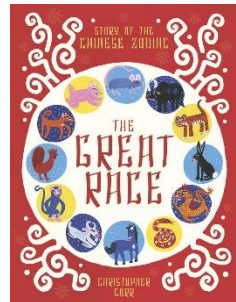
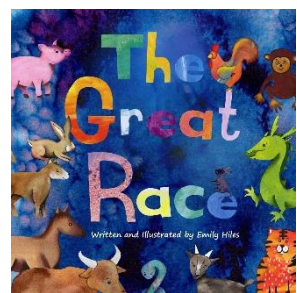
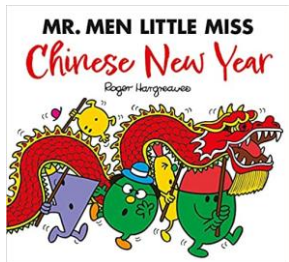
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monkey country
Great Race
rabbit goat China
The Great Wall of China
Chinese New Year
tiger rooster celebrate
panda rat
pig horse
snake
dragon
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Did You Know...

The Chinese New Year celebration last for 15 days.

I wonder...

Would you rather fly like a dragon or float like a lantern?



Things your child can do at home: Share world stories together discussing similarities and differences between the countries, try Chinese cuisine, find out a fact about China, learn some Mandarin.

Homework: Find out which year you were born in and draw a picture of the animal that represents it.

We are a Church of England School...

We say a prayer before lunch each day.

In our daily collective worship, we will be exploring this half-term's theme of 'Humility'
This week's song: *Colours of day*.

School Values:

Compassion • Courage • Responsibility



Spare Clothes

With the weather this time of year and the occasional toilet accidents that happen please can you make sure that your child has a spare set of clothes in a bag at school. We currently have no spares trousers and skirts in school to change the children into.