

Main Curriculum Subject Links- Spring 1 Nursery



Understanding the World (History and Science)

People and communities (History)

- Talking about significant experiences in their own life and relating them to others
- To have an understanding of differences and similarities in relation to celebrations they have with friends and family.
- To show interest in different occupations and ways of life.

The World (Science PD)

- To be able to comment or ask questions about aspects of their familiar world and link to other experiences
- To eat a healthy range of foodstuffs and understand a need for variety in food.

Expressive Art and design (Art and DT)

Exploring media and materials Being imaginative

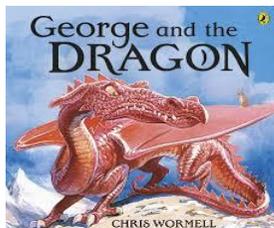
- To use movement to express feelings such as dancing to Chinese Festival music
- To select materials when designing an animal linked to 'The Great Race' story
- To select the various construction materials to create a firework display.
- To explore different sounds using instruments



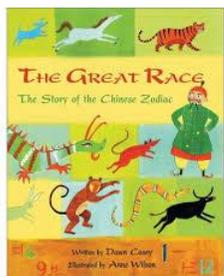
Quality texts:



How to Catch a Dragon



George and the Dragon



The Great Race

First Hand / Real Life Learning Experiences

UW (History Physical Development)

- *Sharing the story of The Great Race and acting it out*
- *Trying different Chinese foods*
- *Using chopsticks to eat*

UW (Science) (History) Why? How? do China celebrate?

- *Finding out the different ways China celebrate the New Year*
- *Learning about events during Chinese New Year*
- *Discovering the traditional foods in China*

Important Facts:

- **That there were lots of different animals in The Great Race**
- **That New Year is a very important time for Chinese people**
- **That Traditions are celebrated in China; Money wallets, new clothes, Dragon dancing, Chinese music and festivals**

Key Vocabulary

China, Chinese Emperor, Lantern, Dragon, Fire, New Year, Chopsticks, Noodles, rice

Key Questions

- **Which animal in the Chinese New Year calendar was the year that you were born?**
- **Which of the animals won The Great Race? Can you name any of the others?**
- **How do Chinese people celebrate a new year?**

EAD (Art) (DT)

- **To make a Chinese Lantern**
- **To make a Chinese hat**
- **Make a Chinese fan**

PSED (RE)

- **Understanding Chinese traditions and how they are celebrated**
- **To recognise and describe special times or events for family or friends.**