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Ash Class have been busy learning about Chinese New Year, internet safety, hospitals and mental and physical health. Here are a few of the activities we

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The Story of the Chinese Zodiac

have enjoyed:

CLL: We have learnt the story of Chinese New Year and retold it in our roleplay. We have also written parts of our own stories in our own books and improved our marvellous mistakes, particularly thinking about finger spaces, capital letters and full stops.



Maths:. We have continued to work on our number recognition and ordering skills, as well as thinking about ordinal numbers linked to the story of Chinese New Year. We have also explored different representations of numbers, like the Chinese characters.



Understanding the World: We have enjoyed learning about the cultural activities associated with Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated. We have also learnt about mindfulness and practiced some mindful skills.









Expressive Arts and Design: We have performed a dragon dance to music, made Chinese lanterns and dragon puppets. We have also made Valentines biscuits.

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Here are a few topic related activity ideas to try at home:

- As the weather begins to change, perhaps you could go on a walk to notice the early signs of spring. Record them as photographs, drawings or writing.
- Read lots of books together, such as picture books and non-fiction books as well as the school reading books. Talk about the book using the new bookmarks.
- Have a fantastic half-term!!







Have you tried any of the activities or noticed your child talking about any of the topics we have been learning about recently? If so, please let us know below:

This is my last newsletter before going on maternity leave after half-term, and I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the children and parents in Ash Class. I have loved getting to know you all and look forward to hearing about the exciting things you do and learn about with Mrs Wagner!

Many thanks, Hannah Robinson-Moore