

Starfish Class Spring 1 Chinese New Year Medium Term Planning

	Phonics	Stories	Literacy	Maths	Topic/Focus Activities	RE/French/Music
Week 1	Phase 3 ch, sh, th, ng Tricky words I, the, no, go, to. Nursery phonics: letter s, silly soup.	The Great Race My Chinese New Year Jack Frost	The children will be writing about how Chinese New Year is celebrated, as well as retelling the Great Race. We will also be writing sentences about winter and Jack Frost.	We will be learning about shapes this week. The children will be creating shape pictures and making patterns and reception will focus on learning about 3D shapes and their properties. We will also be sequencing ordinal numbers from the Great Race.	The Children will be creating their own digital Firework pictures on iPads. The children will also be making winter pictures and exploring seasonal changes.	In French we will be learning the vocabulary Bonjour and Au revoir. In RE our big question for the half term is 'Which places are special and why?' Our Bible Story is about Epiphany this week.
Week 2	Phase 3 ai, ee, igh, oa. he, she, we, me Nursery phonics: letter a, rhyming words.	The Nian Monster Mao Mao and the Nian Monster Dragon (Non- fiction)	The children will be writing words and sentences to describe the Nian Monster. We will also be writing instructions for how to make dragon biscuits, focusing on using sentence openers.	Beginning to use everyday language related to money. Children will use money in the bakery role play area and will join with a five currant bun maths activity. Reception will complete tasks relating to the story 'The Great Pet Sale'.	We will be painting symmetrical Chinese dragon pictures, as well as creating dragon masks. Mrs Whittles will be making delicious Chinese New Year dragon biscuits with the children.	In Music we will be listening to a variety of Chinese New Year rhymes/songs/music. In French we will be learning how to say 'merci'. We will be thinking about why churches are special in RE and our Bible story is about when Jesus met John the Baptist.
Week 3 Topic Deep Dive	Phase 3 - ar, or, er, ur Tricky words was, saw Nursery phonics: letter t, rhyming words.	Winnie and Wilbur at Chinese New Year Lunar New Year	The children will be writing speech bubbles for Winnie and Wilbur, as well as writing sentences about the Lunar New Year. We will also be writing our own wishes to put on our 'Chinese wish tree.'	Chinese New Year Themed Maths - we will be playing the wish tree oranges counting game. We will also be practicing recognising numerals and being able to count out up to 10 objects from a larger group.	The children will be making Chinese Wish Tree Decorations. We will also be decorating our own Chinese Lanterns which we will use to decorate our classroom.	In French we will be learning how to say 's'il vous plait' which means please. In RE we will be learning about why Mosque's are special places. Our Bible story this week is about 'The Good Samaritan'.
Week 4 Maths Deep Dive	Phase 3 oo/oo, ow, oi Revise all tricky words learned so far.	Goldyluck and the Pandas Ruby's Chinese New Year	The children will be writing sentences about Goldyluck and the Pandas, as well as writing facts about Pandas. As well as	The children will be practising counting actions or objects which cannot be moved, as well as practicing being able to select the correct numeral to represent 1 to 10 objects, then	The children will be designing lucky red money envelopes and will be encouraged to have a go at copying Chinese symbols.	In French we will be learning how to say 'ca va?' which means 'how are you?', as well as learning how to respond. In RE we will continue to learn about why Mosque's are

	Nursery phonics: letter p, alliteration.		We will also be writing about Ox's as it is the year of the Ox this year.	practicing ordering numbers to 20.	The children will also be creating beautiful cherry blossom collages.	special to Muslims. Our Bible story is The Lost Son.
Week 5	Phase 3 ear air, ure, qu Nursery phonics: letter i, alliteration.	Mr Men Chinese New Year The Runaway Wok	The children will be writing speech bubbles for the Mr Men at Chinese New Year. We will also be retelling the story of 'The Runaway Wok' and joining in with drama activities.	The children will be practicing counting irregular arrangements of objects. We will also be learning about measuring length and height and how to order objects by length. The will also be measuring themselves using cubes.	The children will be making Chinese drums which they will decorate. We will also be doing Chinese New Year themed science investigations such as the dancing noodles experiment.	In Music we will be playing the Chinese drums that we made, as well as learning how to clap and play rhythms on percussion instruments. Our Bible Story this week is The Lost Sheep.
Week 6 IT Deep Dive	Revision of phase 2 and 3 sounds and tricky words.	Reading and phonics Assessments	The children will be focusing on writing invitations for our Chinese New Year Banquet. We will also be writing about the foods and ingredients we will need for the banquet.	The children will be learning how to measure and order objects by both weight and capacity. We will be learning the vocabulary we need for measuring weight and capacity. The children will also be thinking about weight and capacity when they are baking ready for the Chinese New Year banquet.	Chinese New Year is on the 12 th of February this year, and so we will be having a Chinese New Year Banquet this week. The children will be trying Chinese food and discussing which Chinese foods we like/dislike and why.	We will be revising the vocabulary we have learnt so far in French and singing French songs. In RE we will be comparing the differences between churches and Mosques, as well as thinking about how we could make our own special place.