

HEDGEHOGS NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

We hope you all had a lovely half term. It has been so nice to be back in Nursery and to hear all about who the children have seen over the holidays, what they have been up to, and the places they have visited.

This week, our learning has been all about Chinese New Year, which has sparked lots of curiosity and questioning. The children have been really engaged, showing great interest as they explored and talked about this special celebration.

We started the week by watching a short video clip all about how people celebrate Chinese New Year and why it is important to them. The children learnt about cleaning homes ready for the New Year, wearing new outfits, eating special foods, and visiting festive markets. We also talked about why the colour red is seen as a very lucky colour, which sparked lots of interest and thoughtful discussion among the children.



EXPLORE, LEARN AND DISCOVER!

The children had so much fun creating their very own Chinese animal puppets. We saw a wonderful variety of creations, including lions, unicorns and dragons.

The children talked lots about the different colours and shapes they could use to design their animals, while also practising their cutting and sticking skills as they put them together. It was lovely to see their creativity and confidence shine through.



We also talked about how in China people speak a different language and use different symbols when they write. The children had a go at copying some of these using black paint on large sheets of red paper. They really enjoyed this activity, carefully exploring the different shapes and lines of each symbol and taking their time to recreate them in their own way.

The children also loved learning about The Great Race story and the twelve different animals that make up the zodiac years. We listened to the story together and then worked as a group to create a scene in the tuff tray. The children enjoyed finding all the animals mentioned in the story and acting it out together, using lots of imagination and teamwork as they retold the tale.





GENTLE REMINDER

If you haven't yet brought a family photo in for your child, please could you send one in so we can add it to our 'Nursery Family' wall.

We would also love to see your child's scrapbook if it hasn't been returned to Nursery yet. The children really enjoy sharing these and they are a wonderful way to support their learning and confidence.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day

Children can come to Nursery dressed as their favourite book character or ready for a bedtime story.



HAVE A LOVELY WEEKEND

SOPHIE AND THE TEAM