



# Foundation Stage News

January 28<sup>th</sup> 2022



## Our learning this week:

The children really enjoyed listening to the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' this week and were very quick to tell us that Goldilocks had been a 'Bucket Dipper' with all the choices she made at the Bears' house. We thought about how each member of the bear family might be feeling and the children were fantastic at using a brilliant range of words: happy, sad, upset, angry, cross, frightened, shocked, afraid.

Sadly the Covid outbreak has meant that we have had to conclude our learning at home but we have been so excited to see what you have been getting up to on the ILD. It was lovely to see so many happy smiley faces on our Zoom sessions and thank you all for taking part with great spirit - Daddy bear certainly had his Bucket Filled!

## Our theme for learning next week: Chinese New Year

## How you can support your child:

Last term we enjoyed learning about the festivals of Halloween, Diwali and Christmas. Next week we will find out about the spring festival of Chinese New Year. We would like the children to recognise that although the festivals are different, there are also some important similarities e.g. spending time with family and friends, having special food, giving gifts, decorating the home etc. Perhaps you could remind your child about the things they did at Christmas time. Whilst we learn about this festival, we will also be helping the children to find out more about Chinese culture and tradition. Perhaps you could explore this a little with your child too e.g. listening to Chinese music, google a dragon dance, taste some Chinese food and even have a go at eating with chopsticks (a great fine motor challenge!) There are some great resources on the Cbeebies website including a puppet show of the traditional Chinese tale of the Zodiac which we will see in school. 2022 is the year of the Tiger (Stripy our class tiger is very excited about that!)

## A message from the team:

Bookings for Parent Consultations taking place on 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> February 2022 are still open on eSchools. Please do book your appointment asap if you have not already done so. Reception classes will be open as normal again from Monday 31st January.

### Vocabulary we are learning next week:

festival	celebration
lucky	Emperor
China	spring

## Read Write Inc.

The following are links to the sounds your child has been learning/revising this week. Your child will enjoy watching them as they practise with you:

letter j - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/522vVH3v/SWT302nH>

letter v - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/wrLpRnhU/IV4zFd4g>

letter y - <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/eCkpwnin/wvpeAPfd>

Your child is also learning to read simple three letter words by blending the sounds together. We ask them to say each sound that they see in order before saying the whole word. We call this 'Fred Talk'. Please click on the link below to access a fun blending to read game:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/phonics/balloon-phonics-cvc-game>