

Forest School / Outdoor learning from home wk 6 EYFS **Chinese new year**

I hope you have all been getting outside and enjoying some play / learning time in nature. Here are a few ideas to do outside that ties in to Chinese New Year.

- More landart - this time see if you can make a fire breathing dragon out of leaves and sticks and stones. Or any of the 12 animals (monkey, pig, rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, rooster, snake, horse, goat or dog)
- If you can get to a woods with bigger sticks and fallen trees you may want to build a aeroplane or a ship so you can travel to China or anywhere else around the world. There is a tree my children play on at Danbury Country Park which is known as the “aeroplane tree”.
- Get a pot of water and a paint brush and look at the chinese symbols below and see if you can copy them. As it's water you can paint on anything outside, the brick wall, the patio, pavement or tree trunk.
- Do a quiet sit spot and just listen in the garden for 5 minutes. Pretend you are in China and imagine the noises you hear are the creatures that may live there. Are they different to the animals we have native to our country? Or are some the same?
- Using mud or play dough try and make a dragon.
- Dance around the garden doing a dragon conga or research other dances from other countries. You could collect 2 sticks and connect ribbons or cut up plastic bags to the end. See if you are able to tie them on yourself. Then you can dance around with your ribbon sticks.
- When out walking see if you can spot the perfect stick to be a wiggly snake. See if you are able to peel off or scrape away the bark and then you can paint it.



- The chinese are into their kite flying, if you get a chance to do any research, some of them are amazing. Do you have a kite if so try it out this week or make your own. There are many tutorials on-line if you wish to try them out or simply at forest school a plastic bag tied onto a string works just fine.

Have a great week and half term. Do look back on all the forest school ideas to enjoy some time outside and also look up the Woody Woodpecker daily walk ideas on the school facebook page.

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