

Overview of Optional Activities Week beginning 8.2.21 Shapes and Valentine's Day Chinese New Year

This week to support learning you could...

Literacy

Watch CBeebies clip about Chinese New Year.

[Chinese and Lunar New Year - CBeebies - BBC](#)

Listen to the story on YouTube
Guess How Much I Love You

Also go to YouTube kids to watch Little nut brown hare having different adventures with his friends

www.youtubekids.com and use link...

<https://video.link/w/liqPb>

Maths

Guidance

Children build on their earlier work on matching to find and make pairs. They begin to understand that a pair is two. Provide collections of items which come in pairs.

Encourage the children to arrange small quantities into pairs and notice that some quantities will have an odd one left over with no partner.

Teach the children to play games which involve matching pairs for example snap or memory games.

Make pairs of animals – read the story of Noah's Ark and make pairs. How many pairs in total?

Shapes

Can you make some different shapes with your toys and sort different shapes in your home? Here are a few ideas of activities.



Hands On Learning Shapes Activities



SHAPES PARKING LOT
fun learning with cars
www.happytoddlerplaytime.com



Shape Sorting Activity: Go Beyond Memorizing - Busy Toddler



Shapes Parking Lot Activity - HAPPY TODDLER PLAYTIME

Creative

Heart printing for Valentine's Day using a cardboard tube



shaped in a heart-, maybe you could have a go?

Make corrugated dragons or



Make a Chinese drum (two plates stuck together and decorated, string at either side with a bead)

Make a dragon – either a model/ painting



Chinese Dragon Puppet Craft with Paper Plates



Physical

Revise ball skills from this term, throwing and catching, kicking to a partner, aiming at a target. Please post on Tapestry your skills!

Calm kids yoga- Cracker the Dragon of Wonder
[Cracker The Dragon Of Wonder | A Cosmic Kids Yoga Adventure! - YouTube](#)

Fine motor skills
Try using some chop sticks or kitchen tongs to pick up some small toys

Can you complete a jigsaw

Understanding the World

Talk about Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Talk about what celebrations we share as a family. How are they the same, different to Chinese New Year.

Do you know what animal is celebrated this year for Chinese New Year can you name some of the other animals? (2021- Year of the Ox)

Try some Chinese food!
Which things do you like best to eat? do you like noodles or rice?



From [twinkl.co.uk](https://www.twinkl.co.uk)

Chinese New Year - Zodiac Wheel

Maybe you could make something for someone you love and is special to you? Here are a few Ideas...

