

Water/Sand Tray

Bowls and ladles to explore capacity

Chinese New Year story stones

Make rafts to carry animals across the river from the New Year story

Construction

Construct a large Chinese dragon in teams

Junk modelling Chinese New Year animals

Small World

Chinese New Year story tuff tray set up- children to retell

Make habitats for the animals from the Chinese New Year story

Malleable

Chinese New Year play dough mats

Playdough dragons

Outdoor

Chalk dragon on playground, number on each body part, hop along saying the number

Habitats for pandas- woodland area

Act out the great animal race

Motor Skills

Pick up objects with chop sticks

Wool noodles- cut, scoop, twist

Move in different ways- animals

Pencil control- Chinese New Year patterns

Discussion

Chinese food tasting

Where is China? Look at maps/globes

What is Chinese New Year? Why is it celebrated?

Year of the rabbit

How to care for rabbits

Creative

Make Chinese lanterns

Water painting- Chinese symbols

Concertina dragon

Paper plate dragon mask

Dragon dances using instruments

Paper fans

Chinese New Year poem- recite, make actions, perform with puppets, instruments

Chinese dragon nature mask

Writing/Mark Making

Initial sounds- Chinese New Year pictures

Name labels for different animals

Mini books describing how Chinese New Year is celebrated

Chinese New Year colouring

Red envelope- lucky messages

Learn mandarin- mark make simple symbols

Chinese mud writing

Books

The Runaway Wok, The Great Race, Dragon Dance, Dragons in the City, Clever Wok, Lanterns and Firecrackers, My First Chinese New Year, Winne and Wilbur A Chinese New Year

ICT

Paint- Chinese dragons

