## Foundation Stage 2019-2020 Term 3

Sub topics: Weather, Chinese New Year

# COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE AND LITERACY

Phonics Letter and Sounds Phase 3 digraphs

**POR**: 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson Emperor Egg

Children will be writing a version of the story, labelling Chinese artefacts and writing instructions, labels, captions and sentences and making a fact sheet.

**Other books**: C is for China story. Made in China, The story of the Chinese Zodiac, Chinese New Year's dragon, The Wishing Tree, non-fiction books on weather

### Understanding the World

Children will learn about cultural beliefs of people in China. What is Chinese New Year? – How is it celebrated? Look at China and its culture. – Looking at Chinese artefacts. Learn about China – where is it on a map?

Weather changes, what sunlight energy can be used for (solar panels, wind turbines etc.) Exploring ice

Science experiments: Dancing noodles and Floating rice, waterproof materials

Using a computer and iPads

#### Physical Development

Developing fine and gross motor skills PE – balancing, spatial awareness

#### PSED

Respect for other cultures Health and wellbeing Circle time sessions, manners, sharing and turn taking, listening to others.

# Happy New Year!



**RE:** God Matters – Christmas, Revelation,Lent Epiphany – The Three King's story, What gift would I bring Jesus

Children begin to look at the role of the priest

Children will learn about different artefacts in a church and the events, religious symbols and stories related to Lent.

### Home – School links

Look into the Chinese culture Try some Chinese food Go on a weather walk Watch the weather forecast Discuss activities that you can do depending on the weather

### **Mathematics**

Small steps planning: 1.3, 1.4 Exploring weight 3D shapes Confident in counting and recognising numbers to 20 <u>Topic Links</u>: Writing numbers in mandarin and making tangrams.

### Expressive Art and Design/ Being Imaginative

Explore calligraphy to make Chinese symbols Chinese restaurant role play Chinese wishing tree

### <u>Design and Make</u>

Make a weather chart Make a windmill Make a Chinese lion Chinese Fan **Role Play**: A Chinese Restaurant, Rainforest Café

Art Week