



Mary Dean's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 12th February 2021

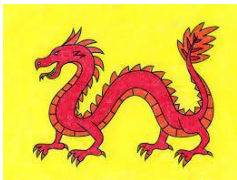


Dear Parents and Carers,

What a quick term – time has certainly shot past in school – and March is finally on the horizon... Let's hope it brings us good news.

Ideas for the half term

We all understand how hard it is to find alternative entertainment and amusement with our options so limited. The following might give you some ideas to enliven your days over the next week.



It's **Chinese New Year** on 12 February -cue paper lantern-making, dragon drawing, (click on the picture) dumplings and fireworks. **Valentine's Day** is

on the 14th - an excuse to make cards and [candles](#) and **Pancake Day** ([Click here for recipe](#)) is on the 16th.

February in normal times means **Mardi Gras carnivals** in Europe, New Orleans and most of all Brazil, and the **Sapporo snow festival** in Japan. These are great excuses to find out about and make costumes, artwork and traditional food, and dance to appropriate music.

Nearer home there's **National Chip Week** (20-26 February), a chance to get creative with veg and potato varieties and toppings.

For those of you who are looking for additional activities, including mindfulness, click on the link below for some downloadable workbooks, free of charge from TTS.

https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html?utm_source=dotdigital&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=772987_P1%20Wellbeing%20Booklet%20DI%20SENGAGED%20PRI&utm_term=img_mainbanner&dm_i=4U16,GKfV,3EKW8F,1YIQZ,1

Book Week



Book Week starts on Monday 1st March. We will be focusing our learning on books and reading. You can also join in by sending in your 'Extreme Reading' photos to show how you are continuing to read during lockdown. Please send via Class Dojo.

Thursday 4th March is World Book Day – Children in school will be invited to dress up and children at home can join in by sending their photo to their class teacher by 11 am on the day. We can then hold a competition to find the best-dressed character from each class.

[Click HERE for new safeguarding information](#)



Text us for advice on ChatHealth:

ChatHealth offers confidential help and advice via text messaging for parents and carers of 0-19 years and for young people aged 11-19yrs.

ChatHealth is available Monday-Friday 9am-5pm and automatic replies will be sent to messages received out of these hours. The ChatHealth service will be managed by Health Visitors and School Nurses who have received additional ChatHealth training.



The mobile numbers are:

Livewell ChatHealth 0-5 years Parents Service - 07480 635188

Livewell ChatHealth 5-19 years Parents Service - 07480 635189

Livewell ChatHealth 11-19 years Young Peoples Service - 07480 635198

I hope you all have a good week and enjoy some down time. Thank you to everyone for your messages of support – and the goody boxes! These are delightful to receive – you are so kind.

Mrs Jones

Head Teacher



A school family, learning for life in all its fullness

