

Home Learning Thursday 11th February

Activities will be based around Chinese New Year



Read daily

Watch Newsround BBC

https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/news/watch_newsround

Online learning:

TTRock Stars

Spellingframe

Yr 1 common exception words: Spelling Rule 39

Yr 2 common exception words: Spelling Rule 35

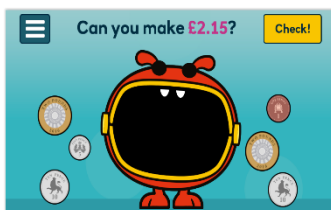
Yr 3 common exception words: Spelling Rule 29 (these words are more challenging)

Try a game to support your spellings



<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/money/toy-shop-money>

<https://natwest.mymoneysense.com/students/students-5-8/the-change-game/>



<https://natwest.mymoneysense.com/students/students-5-8/coin-cruncher/>



Chinese New Year is a colourful and vibrant festival celebrated in Asia and all over the world. It lasts for 15 days and occurs at the end of January or early February.

[Watch the introduction video on Chinese New Year](#)

https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/video/item1013303/grade2/module1011454/index.html



The activity is a multiple choice quiz, testing pupils' understanding and knowledge of Chinese New Year customs outlined in the video.

Click on the activity to take you to the quiz.



The Ox is the second of all zodiac animals. According to one myth, the Jade Emperor said the order would be decided by the order in which they arrived to his party. The Ox was about to be the first to arrive, but Rat tricked Ox into giving him a ride. Then, just as they arrived, Rat jumped down and landed ahead of Ox. Thus, Ox became the second animal.

The Year of the Ox

What Is the Chinese Horoscope?

Each new lunar year in Chinese **culture** is shown by an animal. There are 12 animals altogether. This tradition is thousands of years old and is believed to have first begun with a story.

It is said that Buddha asked all of the animals on Earth to come and see him. However, only 12 animals answered his call. Buddha gave each one of these animals their own year in the Chinese **zodiac cycle** as a way of saying thank you.

Did You Know...?

Some versions of the story have the Jade Emperor as the main character and others have Buddha. However, all of the stories are very similar and talk about the same animals.

When Does the Year of the Ox Start?

The Year of the Ox begins on 12th February 2021. It is the 4719th year of the Chinese calendar. Once the Year of the Ox is over, the next will not begin again until 31st January 2033.

You were born in the Year of the Ox if you were born in:

1961 1973 1985 1997 2009



What Is Special about the Year of the Ox?

People born in the Year of the Ox are believed to have many special qualities. If someone was born in the Year of the Ox then many people believe that they are:

- ♥ hard-working. They work tirelessly;
- ♥ reliable. They can be trusted;
- ♥ determined. They don't give up easily;
- ♥ thorough. They will do things properly;
- ♥ loyal. They always show support.

Did You Know...?

People born in the Year of the Ox are said to get on well with those who were born in the Year of the Rat, the Year of the Snake and the Year of the Rooster.

What Jobs Could They Be Good At?

Many people believe that people born in the Year of the Ox might make good:

- 🌸 lawyers;
- 🌸 carpenters;
- 🌸 bankers;
- 🌸 army officers.

Glossary

culture: The ideas and traditions of a group of people.

zodiac cycle: A repeating cycle of 12 years with each year being represented by an animal or sign.

ox Questions

1. How many animals answered Buddha's call? Tick one.

10

11

12

13

2. When does the Year of the Ox begin in 2021?

12th February 31st

January

31st February

12th January

3. Select the correct options to match the word to the definition

reliable

a

They don't give up easily.

thorough

b

They can be trusted.

determined

c

They will do things properly.

4. Which of the following years is not a Year of the Ox? Tick one.

2009

1961

1975

1985

5. List **two** jobs that someone born in the Year of the Ox might be good at.

6. Fill in the missing number.

The Year of the Ox is the





th year of the Chinese calendar.

7. Explain why you think that the Chinese zodiac is called a 'cycle'?

Chinese calendar

What Zodiac Animal are you?

Chinese character symbol

2012	 Dragon		Chén
2013	 Snake		Sì

Find out about the characteristics of you Zodiac animal.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/chinesenewyear/Zodiac>

Design a poster.

- Include a picture of your Zodiac animal
- The Year you were born
- Your name
- Decorate with characteristic words
- Can you copy your Chinese character symbol?



Paper Plate Ox

Here's a fun way to make an Ox for Chinese New Year! This ox makes a super wall display. You could mount him onto a large piece of red paper, as red is a lucky Chinese colour.



You will need:

A small paper plate (if you don't have a paper plate use a empty cereal box)
A large paper plate
Brown paint
Brown card
Cream card
Glue

Instructions:

Paint the paper plates brown and leave to dry.

Glue the plates together along the rim, using our photo as a guide. The small plate is the head, and the large is the body.

Cut four rectangles of card and glue these along the back of the large plate to make the ox's legs.

Cut a large oval from cream card as your nose and two cream horns. Glue the horns and nose to the face.

Draw on the ox's two nostrils with the black pen, as well as two eyes and a mouth.

<https://www.redtedart.com/how-to-make-a-cow-corner-bookmark/>



PE

Y3 PE – Reaction to the Ball. Lesson 4: Video - https://ashfieldjun-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/jpears_ashfield-jun_cumbria_sch_uk/Ed8AuYpjfVdGiJ0qOI_GYXABnncnIvaDQbU4N4yahyzjPw?e=Qlcgaj

Starter: Touch, catch, shoot – jog around your area at home. Ask someone if they will help you to shout out some numbers. When you hear '1', you touch the floor. At '2', you jump up and pretend to catch a ball high in the air. At '3', you pretend to shoot for a goal. At '4', they celebrate scoring a goal.

Skills Activity 1: The Drop – the children work with a partner with one ball. Partner 1, the dropper, stands with the ball and holds it straight out in front of them at shoulder height. Their partner, the catcher, should stand opposite, facing them about 1 metre away. The dropper can drop the ball at any time. The catcher must attempt to catch the ball after it has bounced once. The children then swap roles. Keep repeating the activity, swapping roles each time. Challenge yourself by moving further away from your partner.

Skills Activity 2: Throw, clap, catch – Throw the ball up into the air and clap your hands once. Next, throw the ball and clap twice, then three times and four times and so on. How many times can you clap your hands while the ball is in the air whilst throwing and catching successfully? You might have to throw the ball higher and clap faster each time. Make a note of your record. Can you beat Mrs Pears?

Skills Activity 3: Move Apart – with your partner start facing each other two or three steps apart. The child with the ball throws it to their partner underarm. If they catch it successfully they take one step further apart. Keep throwing it back and forth. Each time a successful catch is made the child should take one step back. If they miss a ball, they take one step forward. Then try with a different type of throw. How many other ways can we throw the ball?

Coaching tips - be ready to catch with hands ready and eyes on the ball, move to catch the ball if necessary, and watch the ball until it reaches the hands.

Extra Challenge: Piggy in the Middle - Two players are the attackers (trying to keep the ball) the third child in the middle is the defender - they are the "piggy in the middle" (trying to get the ball). The two players on the outside throw the ball to each other while the one in the middle tries to catch it. If the ball is dropped, any of the three players can recover it. If the person in the middle catches or recovers the ball, the person who was the last to throw is now the "piggy in the middle".