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**Newsletter Term 4**  
**Reception**  
**22.2.21 – 5.3.2021**

Dear Children,

Here are some activities for you to do at home with your families. There are lots of ideas here, so you might not fit everything in. Try to choose some activities from each area of learning, especially Literacy and Maths. Grown ups, please remember to check Tapestry each day for the links to the activities. **Please upload pictures of your children's work onto Tapestry each day.**

We will continue live lessons on Google Classroom. From Mrs Austin, Mrs Stanton and Mrs Mihajlovic

### Our topic this term is 'Growing'

#### English

##### Reception

##### Phonics

**Practise Set 1 or 2 sounds.** We will send you a link to a phonics lesson each week. The link will be sent in an email.

**Learn these Red Words:** **I you your the said was**

- Practise reading them.
- Try to write some of them down.
- Can you write them in a sentence?



##### Week 1 – Week beginning 22.2.21

This week we will be learning about the Chinese New Year. Read the story of the Chinese New Year and talk about all of the different animals you see. Who won the race? Was anyone a bit sneaky? Watch the video clip on cbeebies.. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVCIaj8q\\_IY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVCIaj8q_IY)

##### **Monday:**

- 1) Which animal would you choose to be and why? Can you write a sentence eg: I would be a monkey, so I can swing through the trees. Say each word and use your 'Fred fingers' to help you write it.
- 2) Look at the pictures and talk together about what you would choose.

##### **Tuesday:**

- 1) Watch the clips of children celebrating Chinese new year. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/chinese-new-year?collection=chinese-lunar-new-year>
- 2) Discuss with an adult the ways in which the children celebrate.

##### **Wednesday:**

PE - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-go-club-chinese-lion-dance>  
Watch the Dragon dance. Can you clap to the rhythm? Can you copy some of the moves?  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HIM3MqLFIFo>

##### **Thursday:**

- 1) Watch the animal race again. What are the different animals good at?  
Make a list of things you are good at.

##### **Friday:**

- 1) Watch the video on Tapestry of 'The Enormous Turnip'
- 2) Can you answer these questions...

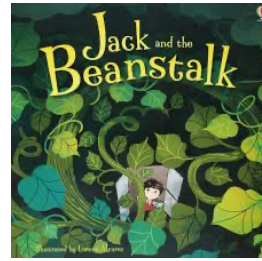
Who is the main character?

Who else helped the farmer?

Why did everyone look sick on the last page?

What was the farmer trying to do?

Can you think of different words for 'enormous'?



Our story for this week is 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. This is one of our core books so we are going to learn to tell this story off by heart.

Watch the story read to you on Tapestry.

**Monday:**

- 1) Listen to the story with your adult.
- 2) What happens in the story? Who does Jack meet? Where does he hide? What does he take? What happens to the giant? Should Jack have climbed the beanstalk?

**Tuesday:**

Watch the Talk for Writing video on Tapestry. Can you learn the story with the actions? (You don't need to write it down, just retell it orally)

**Wednesday:**

PE – Can you watch and join in with the 'Jack and the Beanstalk' yoga?

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKC\\_Lgvukv0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SKC_Lgvukv0)

**Thursday: World Book Day**

Instructions for World Book Day are on a separate instruction sheet.

What is your favourite story? Can you make a giant's shopping list? What kind of things would he eat?

**Friday:**

Find the pictures of Jack and the beanstalk in your pack.

- Can you cut them out and stick them in order?
- Can you label the pictures. (Jack, cow, giant, beanstalk, hen, castle)

*Parents – please add pictures and videos to Tapestry so we can see your wonderful learning.*

## **Speaking & Listening**

Look on Tapestry each **Monday**, for the **story of the week** video. Watch the story together.

- What is your favourite story? Can you explain why you like it so much?
- Talk to an adult about different things you can see when you look out of the window. Can you see any signs of Spring?

## **Physical Development**

Watch the Dragon Dance on Tapestry.

- Can you join in the dancing and move to the music?

Watch the Jack in the beanstalk yoga clip.

- Can you follow the moves and retell the story?

**Go on Tapestry for Play dough recipe...**

On you tube there are super work outs for your fingers and gets them ready for writing...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9D5lfqZF3o>

## Maths

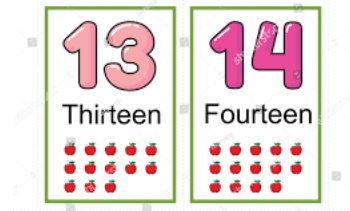
### Week 1 – Week beginning 22.2.21

Our number of the week is 13.

#### **Monday:**

- 1) Meet your new number, 13: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2L1pHF3mUzQ> (Clip on YouTube). It is important that your child knows that 13 is made up of one 10 and three 1's. This clip helps to show this.
- 2) Find 13 objects around the house. Count them. Can you split the 13 objects into ten and then three more?
- 3) Have a look at the different ways of showing 13:

- Count the holes on the numicon.
- Count the cubes.
- Count the fingers.
- Count the dots on the tens frames.
- Point to 13 on the number line.



#### **Tuesday:**

- 1) Watch the video of the part whole model... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ueEwDL0Mh3Y>
- 2) Can you practise moving 13 objects into the 'part' section.
- 3) Can you write the number sentence in your book? Eg  $10 + 3 = 13$

#### **Wednesday:**

We have been looking at the 'Chinese New year' this week.

Today you are going to use your scissor skills and make a headdress with streamers. (see separate sheet for instructions)

#### **Thursday:**

- 1) Find the 2D shape 'Chinese Dragon'
- 2) Cut it out very carefully
- 3) Can you move the shapes to make a 'Chinese Dragon'?
- 4) Can you name all of the shapes?

#### **Thursday:**

- 1) Look at the heavy and light sorting sheet. Cut out and sort into two piles. You can stick them into your book.

#### **Friday:**

Make a Chinese Lantern

- 1) Please find the instructions on a separate sheet

### Week 2. Week beginning 1.3.21

Our number of the week is 14

#### **Monday:** Learn about 14

- 1) Watch this video to learn more about 14: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m00029tp/numberblocks-series-3-fourteen>
- 2) Complete the 'All about 14' worksheet. **Remember the number one is a line straight down.**

#### **Tuesday:** Challenges sheet

Find the 'Home learning Challenges' sheet in your pack.

Complete a few of the challenges and post pictures on Tapestry.

#### **Wednesday:**

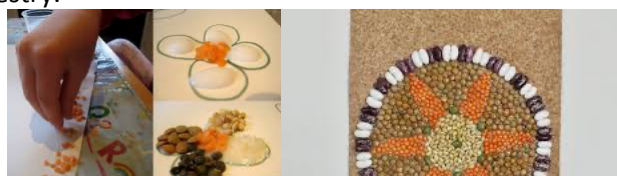
- 1) Watch <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RFxFf0Bt7oM>
- 2) Talk about the language of money eg coin names, cost, spend
- 3) Use the price labels in the pack to set up a shop at home.
- 4) Can you use coins to buy things in your shop?

#### **Thursday:**

#### **World Book Day**

#### **Friday:** Create a collage...

- 1) Can you find some items in your home to create a collage such as beans, rice, lentils, pasta.
- 2) Move the items around a piece of paper or card to make a pattern.
- 3) Take a picture for Tapestry.



## **Expressive Arts and Design**

### **Music**

Log in to Charanga using your Yumu login. Our next unit is 'OurWorld'

Click on Step One and follow the instructions.

### **Chinese New Year:**

Listen to the music on the Chinese Dragon Dance video. Can you make music using household items such as pots and pans, scrapers, wooden spoons?

## **Understanding the world**



If you have some seeds at home could you plant them in a pot and see what happens?

If you don't have seeds maybe you could save a pip from inside an apple the next time you eat one and plant that.

What do plants need to grow?

Food (soil)

Water (not too much)

Light

Shelter

Have a go at planting a seed and seeing what happens over the next few weeks.

## **Religious Education**

This term is all about Easter and the reasons Christians celebrate Easter.

Watch this video about Palm Sunday

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbAYBv8rCi8>

Where was Jesus going?

What did Jesus ask his disciples to find for him?

What happened when Jesus arrived in Jerusalem?

Why was Jesus sad?

Palm Sunday is a reminder of Jesus' love.

Listen to the song... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8t8zA1N6mCY>

Make a palm leaf using the sheet in your pack.

