

## **Spring (1) (January 2020)**

This half term we will initially focus our learning on the topic 'Healthy me'. We will be exploring how to stay healthy through learning about exercise, healthy eating, the importance of sleep and washing alongside learning about how to look after our teeth. We will be Dentists in the making in no time.

We will then be learning all about Chinese New Year and explore how people celebrate this festival. We will be making our own Chinese Food. I wonder who will be able to eat with chopsticks? Our creative sides will thrive as we explore making dragons and lanterns, creating Chinese ribbon dances and playing drums and symbols to our Chinese New Year songs.

We will be exploring these topics through lots of information and story books including: 'Chopsticks', 'Chinese Dragon Dance', 'The teeth that looked for a new mouth', 'the tooth fairy', 'Supertato' and lots more. A key skill we will be continuing to develop is listening carefully and recalling stories and talking about characters and settings.

Maths -We will be continuing to learn how to count using one-to-one correspondence, making sure that we put objects into a line and we count each object without missing any out. We will also be developing our skill at counting out a set number of items from a larger group. We will be learning to securely recognise numbers 1-5 and extending to recognise to 12. We will also be learning to compare quantities to find which is more and which is fewer. Which number is more, which number is fewer when represented as objects.

Phonics — We will continue with our daily phonics sessions. We will play lots of games to continue to develop our listening and attention skills. We will be learning about rhyming words and how they sound the same at the end. Who will become a rhyming champion? Please encourage your children to develop this skill at home by playing games such as eye spy and spending time identifying rhymes in story books. Can you child rhyme their name?