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	Chinese New Year Story and
	celebrations
KS1/KS2	

	Most Pupils Will Re-enact the story of Chinese New Year and use sensory experience to create Chinese traditions
By the end of these activities:	Some Pupils Will Use sensory experiences to understand traditions of the Chinese New Year and experiment to create Chinese themed props
	A Few Pupils Will Relate the sensory activities to the history of Chinese New Year

Cross- Curricular Links



English

Follow the story of the Chinese New Year



Maths

Shape and measurement



<u>Science</u>

How liquids react in water



Geography



<u>Art</u>

Creating 3D art using different materials



PSHE

Understanding celebrations from around the world



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Activity	Step by Step	Resources	Sensory Input	A R R C e e h V d i i o e S V i e t d
Activity 1- Chinese New Year The Animals To experiment with force to keep the animals on or get them off a piece of material I can create a river and make the Chinese New Year animals swim along the river	 "A long time ago, in China, the Jade Emperor asked animals to swim the river. The order the animals arrived in made the order of the animals in the Chinese New Year" Place teddy animals or bean bags on a large piece of material or parachute. Lift the material up and down with the animals on so that the animals move on the material. Change from slow up and down, to fast, to shaking it, to waving it. Challenge pupils to keep all the animals on, then challenge them to use big movements to get all the animals off 	Teddy bear animals or beanbags Large material or parachute	✓ Visual✓ Proprioception✓ Vestibular✓ Tactile	
Activity 2- Fireworks in a jar To create fireworks in a jar experimenting with different liquids I can create fireworks in a jar	To start with, make sure your glass is clean. Pour the warm water into the glass until about 3/4 full. In the other glass, add a few spoonful's of oil and 4 drops of food colouring. Add some different colours to the oil. Using the fork, mix the oil and food colouring, to spread the colours throughout the oil. Finally, pour the coloured oil into the glass of warm water and watch for the 'firework' display to start.	Jar Water Oil Food colouring	✓ Visual✓ Proprioception✓ Tactile	

Activity 3- Lucky Fish	 Print out the fish template (link below) and cut out 	Lucky fish template	✓ Auditory✓ Visual
To create a Lucky Fish I can create a Lucky Fish	 Cut along thin strips of tissue paper in different colours. Place them on top of each other and fold to make a concertina Cut semi-circles out of the top to create wavey strips Glue the strips down on top of each other along the fish When the glue is dry, cut off the excess to create the fish with scales https://www.twinkl.com/resource/t-t-16943-lucky-fishchinese-new-year-craft-instructions 	Crape/tissue paper Glue Scissors	✓ Proprioception ✓ Tactile
Activity 4- Chinese New Year Feet trek To develop the tactile sense through a sensory feet journey I can explore different textures through my feet	 Use small trays/tuff trays/padding pools and place on the floor with a small gap between (enough for someone to step out of one and into another) In each one place a different texture- rice, bright coloured feathers, shredded red and yellow paper, coloured sand, and last water with glitter in. Make sure there is a towel or bathmat for pupils to step onto and risk assess any slip risks Ask pupils to walk along the journey, stepping in each one of the trays/pools You may chose to play relaxing, Thai chi music 	Trays/paddling pools Rice Coloured Feathers Shredded paper Sand Water Glitter Towel	 ✓ Auditory ✓ Visual ✓ Proprioception ✓ Vestibular ✓ Tactile

Activity 5 – Chinese Dragon Parade To develop the auditory processing by creating a soundscape for a Chinese Dragon Parade I can create a soundscape for a Chinese Dragon Parade	 Create a dragon- you may do this with the pupils themselves, or sock puppets/paper dragon You may choose to show a clip of a Chinese New Year Parade for pupils Using musical instruments, sensory sound bottles, hands or pots and pans with a wooden spoon- ask pupils to create sounds. Ask pupils to start of quiet and build. When doing this in a group, allow pupils to show you their soundscape individually, and gradually add in pupils to slowly build on the volume Ask one pupil to make their dragon dance along while other pupils make the soundscape Allow the next pupil to be the dragon, and the pupil who has just been joins the soundscape group 	Chinese dragon puppets Musical instruments/sou nd bottles/pots and pans		Auditory Visual Proprioception Vestibular Tactile	
Activity 6 – Smelly Red Envelope	Create a red envelope- there are many templates online	Red card Pocket tissue Essential oils	√	Tactile Taste Smell	
To develop my olfactory sense by creating a smelly tissue I can create a red envelope with a smelly tissue to help me reregulate and develop my sense of smell	 Ask pupils to smell different essential oils (you may chose to put a drop or two on a tissue so they can smell what it would smell like) and chose one they really enjoy On a pocket tissue, as pupils to put a few drops of their chosen oil on Place the tissue inside the red envelope Pupils can take the tissue out when they like to smell it 				