

# Oak Lodge EYFS Weekly News

Spring Term 1 - Week beginning 27.01.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had an enjoyable week learning about Luna new year. The children enjoyed playing with noodles and talking about how they feel and using chopsticks to pick them up and transfer to containers. We decorated our roleplay as a house would to celebrate Luna new year also.

We read the book 'Dear Dinosaur' to build on our dinosaur topic. We have looked at writing letters, postcards and emails and talked about how post gets from one place to another. We have written questions to our class dinosaur and our dinosaur wrote back!

Please remember to book on arbour for the up coming parents evening. It is expected that everyone attends so we look forward to seeing you then.

Many thanks for your support, from the EYFS team

## Prime Areas

**C&L:** We have recalled the Luna New Year story and the children have sequenced the animals.

**PD:** Gross motor—we have been balancing on different body parts in our PE sessions and learning how to stretch and bend.

**Fine motor:** The children have used chopsticks to practise picking up objects and noodles in our outdoor area at the Chinese restaurant.

**PSED:** We have talked a lot about different traditions and celebrations and linked them to our own beliefs and practises. We have explored how celebrations make people feel.

## Specific Areas

**Literacy:** We read the story 'Dear Dinosaur' all about a boy who visited the T-rex at the museum. The children loved looking at the different types of communication in the book from letters to emails to postcards!

**Phonics:** We also continue to revise phase 2 & 3. All children should now be quite confident with phase 2 and able to say and write the sounds. They should be able to write several digraphs without prompting.

**Maths:** We have been learning how to measure length and height. The children have been measuring how long and tall the dinosaurs are with sticks, measuring tapes and bricks.

**EAD:** We have made noodle stir fry and the children practise making their own 'noodles' using playdough.

**UW:** We have learnt about Luna New Year and sequencing the story. The children enjoyed learning how different New Years are celebrated and where it is located on the map.

## Weekly Challenge

Practise ur, er, ure on the homework sheets provided.

Practise letter formation with your child.

Please make sure that they are holding the pencil correctly and have started in the correct place on each letter.