

Chinese New Year 2021

In 2021, Chinese New Year is to be celebrated on Friday 12th February. At PACE throughout this week, there have been a variety of activities going on to help the children understand what happens at Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated.

Oak class were given the opportunity to try some traditional Chinese foods. The children in Oak class thoroughly enjoyed tasting the different foods for the afternoon. They discussed how Chinese New Year is typically celebrated and the similarities and differences between Chinese New Year and our New Year celebrations.

Cherry class had a very exciting PE lesson, they were given the opportunity to create their own Chinese dance using five different moves. This is because typically at Chinese New Year celebrations there are fantastic parades that include 'The Dragon Dance' and 'The Lion Dance'. We thought it would be a great idea for the children to create their own dance as a class that incorporated moves from both the dragon and lion dances. Cherry class also listened to the story 'The Great Race'. This explained to the children what order the animals are chosen in.

Rowan class discussed how Chinese New Year is celebrated around the world and watched videos showing the amazing parades.

Every class discussed that year 2021 was the 'Year of the Ox' and the children found out what animal was celebrated on their birth year. We did this using a Chinese New Year calendar and talked about what these animals meant.

