Welcome Back!
We have a very exciting term ahead and can’t wait to explore our new topic.
This term, in Year 1, our topic is Chinese New Year.
We will be exploring all about China, learning to locate it on a map and
recognising its geographical features. We will also find out about Chinese culture,
including food and music, and explore Chinese culture in London.
We will have lots of fun choreographing and performing a dragon dance, cooking
and tasting Chinese food and learning about native Chinese animals. We will also
be reading some Chinese myths and celebration stories.

We hope you have a wonderful term of learning!

What is my child learning this term?

**MATHS**
In Maths, we will be consolidating our addition and subtraction skills and
applying our knowledge to solve a variety of problems.
Later on, we will be exploring all types of measurement. We’ll put our measuring
skills to the test when we measure the length of different dragons, measure out
ingredients for our Chinese recipes and compare the weight and size of Chinese
animals.
We’ll also learn about money to prepare us for our ‘Chinatown’ visit when we’ll be
buying food and ingredients for our own cooking.

**ENGLISH**
We’re starting our Chinese New Year topic by reading ‘The Great Race’ which is the story of the Chinese Zodiac. We’ll be learning how each year got its name from the order that the animals finished the race.
Next we’ll explore Lao Lao of Dragon Mountain an exciting Chinese folktale with beautiful illustrations. Just like Lao Lao, we’ll learn how to make traditional paper cuts too.

**TOPIC & SCIENCE**
This term we will be looking at the geographical features of China and comparing them with the UK. We will be fact finding all about China and its animals. In our Art lessons, we’ll make lanterns and dragons and even do some pottery painting.

Thank you
Miss Coverdale, Mrs Kidson, Miss Rae and Miss Kruczynska