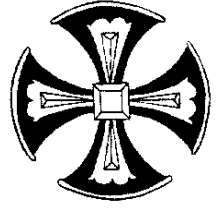


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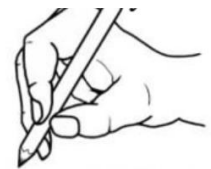
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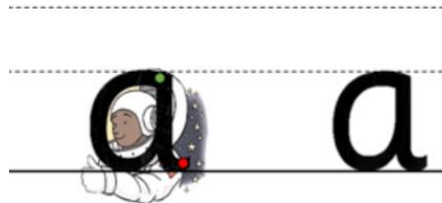
Dear Parents/Carers,

We are taking a break from our dinosaur topic this week to focus on Chinese New Year! We will be exploring the Chinese New Year story, finding out about Chinese celebrations, exploring Chinese characters in our literacy and maths and enjoying a range of creative activities.

Handwriting: When working on handwriting at home, please ensure that your child uses a **lead** pencil (no felt tips/colouring pencils please). Your child should be sitting comfortably and holding the pencil with the correct tripod grip. The space at the top of the page is for your child to write a word or draw a picture of an object beginning with that sound. Please do not write on any other pages. Please return the book to school by the following Tuesday so that it can be prepared for the following week. This week's letter is a, and the catchphrase is 'Around the astronaut's helmet and down into space.'

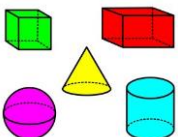


Dynamic-Tripod



Phonics: Here are our new digraphs (two letters, one sound) and trigraph (three letters, one sound) for this week:

ur (catchphrase: *curl the fur*),
ow (catchphrase: *wow owl*),
oi (catchphrase: *boing boing*)
ear (catchphrase: *get near to hear*)



Maths: We will be focusing on 3D shapes: **sphere, cone, cube, cuboid, cylinder** and using vocabulary such as *straight, curved, edge, point, face, flat, roll, slide, stack* to describe and sort them.

RE: As part of our whole school vision, we are continuing to focus on the Good Shepherd and the story of the Lost Sheep. The children enjoyed our lost sheep hunt in the EYFS outdoor area!

Thank you for your continued support,
The Reception Team