

# KITE FEDERATION NEWS

Spring Term Newsletter - 12th February 2021



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## Chinese New Year

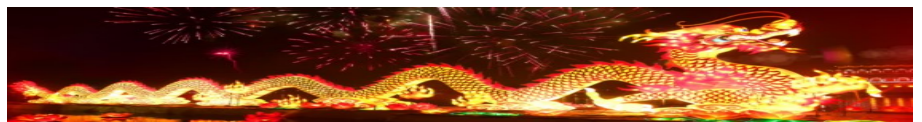
Welcome to the year of the Ox!



Today marks the start of the Chinese new year— a tradition dating back over 2,000 years celebrating the end of winter and the beginning of spring.

The date varies each year to coincide with a new moon and is celebrated all over the world. In China, celebrations traditionally last for 15 days and end with a Lantern festival.

To mark the celebrations children in school and at home were given a choice of 12 different activities, making dragons and lanterns as well as finding out which animal marked the year they were born and learning to write and count in Chinese Mandarin.



### Lent

Next week is the start of Lent which is a very special time for Christians. It lasts for 40 days and is normally a time when Christians give something up to remember the time Jesus resisted temptations in the desert!

What could you give up for Lent?





### Safer Internet Day

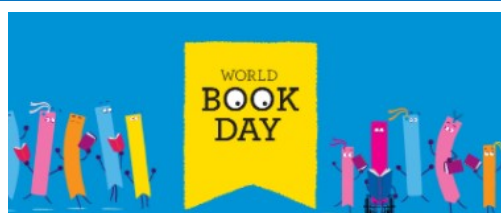
All across the Federation, children have updated their knowledge of how to stay safe online.

Some children enjoyed watching the CBBC live lesson which will be available on the CBBC i-player for the next month at :-

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000s4wc/cbbc-live-lessons-safer-internet-day-live-lesson>

The UK Safer Internet Centre has a wide range of resources to help families learn how to stay safe online. These can be accessed through the following link:-

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2021>



Next month we are celebrating world book day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March. This year, instead of dressing up, we would like you to make a mask or a hat to represent your favourite character that we can all share in our virtual teams meetings on the day.

You are also able to access a range of £1 books or receive a £1 discount on a book of your choice using the voucher on the following link:-

[https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/booktoken\\_PrimaryUK.pdf](https://www.worldbookday.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/booktoken_PrimaryUK.pdf)



## Keep active this half term

From **Monday 15th February** we are joining primary schools across the UK helping families to keep active and see who can travel the greatest distance over the Spring half term break. The event ends at 9.00pm on Sunday 21st February and children are encouraged to **walk/run/scooter/wheelchair or cycle** as much as they are able during this time. Children should participate with their parents whilst adhering to all Covid restrictions.

There will be a constantly evolving league table showing both the absolute distance and the average distance per pupil for every school. We have registered both Norwell and St-Matthews for the challenge and look forward to seeing how you all get on.

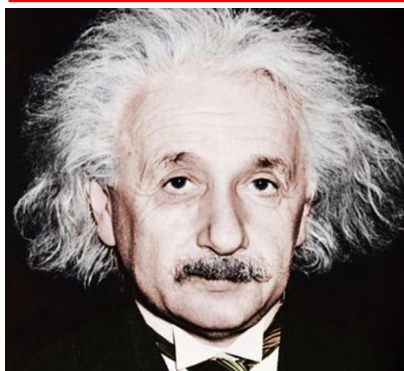
You can add your efforts to the total through the following link, but most importantly enjoy getting out and keeping active over ½ term:-

<https://thechildrenschallenge.com/distance-submission>



Please take time to relax this half term.  
School is now closed and will re-open  
for key workers children from  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

We hope to welcome  
you all back soon!



**Life** is like riding a **bicycle**,  
to **keep** your balance,  
**you must keep moving.**

- Albert Einstein

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