Newcomen Primary School Global Awareness February 2024

10th February - Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year 2024, the **Year of the Dragon**, will be celebrated on **10**th **February 2024**. The dragon is a very popular symbol for the Chinese as they regard themselves as descendants of the dragon. This magical creature represents divine power, honour and luck. Emperors would call themselves 'dragon'. Dragon people are intellectual, excitable and frank but can sometimes be a bit arrogant or impatient.

How to celebrate?

- Chinese New Year PowerPoint | Primary Resource | ACHASSK065 (twinkl.co.uk)
- Chinese New Year BBC Teach

6th- 12th February- Children's Mental Health Week

Children's mental health charity Place2Be has set up Children's Mental Health Week 2024. Its aim is to highlight the importance of mental health within children and young people. This year's theme is Let's Connect.

How to celebrate?

- https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/ Fantastic website and resources to use throughout the week.
- Children's Mental Health Week 2024 KS1 Resource Pack (twinkl.co.uk)

6th February – Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day is an event, organised by the UK Safer Internet Centre, which aims to promote safe, responsible and positive use of internet technology. It involves lots of local and national organisations coming together to raise awareness of correct internet practices. They look at lots of topics including consent, ownership and data privacy, and it runs with the slogan, 'Together for a better internet'. They also raise issues about cyberbullying, digital identity and social network.

How to celebrate?

- Home Safer Internet Day education resources available.
- Safer Internet Day PowerPoint | KS1 | Twinkl (teacher made)

<u>27th February – Fair Trade Fortnight</u>

Fairtrade means better prices, good working conditions and improvement to sustainability. Buying Fairtrade products means that there are agreed terms and pricing for both farmers and workers in developing countries. Fairtrade Fortnight runs every year for two weeks. Its aim is to transform the farming industry, and to ensure that farmers and workers get a fair deal for the food they grow.

How to celebrate?

- https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/get-involved/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/
- All About Fairtrade Fortnight PowerPoint (teacher made) (twinkl.co.uk)