

## Southridge First School Nursery Newsletter 5<sup>h</sup> February 2016

### Gong Hey Fat Choy!

This week we have been celebrating Chinese New Year ready for next Monday. We have been learning all about Chinese New Year traditions and we found out why it is the Year of the Monkey!

In Phonics, the children have been learning about the phoneme /o/ and the sound it makes in words at the start of orange, Oliver, octopus, on, and off.

The children enjoy watching this clip of the 'O Song' – get them to spot all of the red /o/ words:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6I5Fb5k\\_AXM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6I5Fb5k_AXM)



The letter formation rhyme this week: we start at the top of the orange, then go all around the orange. Can you spot something that starts with the sound /o/ at home?



To celebrate Chinese New Year, we made and tasted some Chinese vegetable spring rolls. It was really interesting trying something new!

Next week, we will be busy learning about Pancake Day and Valentines Day.

### Dates for your diary:

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Half term week
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – World Book Day >> please come in dressed as your favourite character from a book!

Finally, we hope you have a great weekend and see you all on Monday!

Mrs Waller and Mrs Scott