

Jump into Japan!

Summer Term 1 – Reception



Where is Japan?

How is it different from England? Does Tokyo look like London ?



What is Sushi?

What are our favourite foods? What is a healthy food?



What is a kimono? What are Japanese clothes like?

What do you wear for a special meal or party?
What clothes do you like?



Celebrating Japanese culture week!

What social dances are there? What special sports are completed?

In the Summer term we are hoping to immerse your child in our topic. We are therefore looking to...



Listen to Japanese music



Look at photos of Tokyo



Find out about traditional Japanese foods



Understand what tea ceremony is in Japan?



Find out about traditional Japanese houses



We will have a go at eating with chopsticks



Know what a kimono is and label key parts of the dress



Look at traditional Japanese clothes and discuss how the clothes are different



Think about the kimono and what colours can be seen on it?



How can you help?



Have you ever been to Japan and have stories to tell?



Can you cook Japanese food?



Have you ever been there? Do you have any photos you can bring in?



Do you have any artefacts from Japan?



Can you speak Japanese?



Can you teach us some Tai Chi or other martial arts?



棚 Ward-off 捋 Roll back 挤 press 按 Push



挑 Pluck 捋 Lay 肘 Elbow 靠 Lean sideways

You might want to join in with our learning at home by...

Reading



The Great Wave by Veronique Massenot

Wabi Sabi by Mark Reibstein

My First Book of Japanese Words by Michelle Haney Brown

One Leaf Rides the Wind by Celeste Davidson Mannis

Hachiko by Pamela S. Turner

Watch



Kung Fu Panda

Big Hero Six

Pokemon

Go Jetties episodes (Series 1 episode 50 Japan, Series 2 episode 14 Bullet train)

Clips on YouTube about Japan

Mount Fuji



Doing



Have a go at origami or make a fan

Try eating some sushi or eating your dinner with chopsticks

Use Google Earth to find Japan

Make a Japanese lantern

Find out about the Japanese bullet train

Make cityscapes using junk modelling

Create a Japanese flag

Listen to some Japanese music



Here is a list of questions that we hope to answer this term...

Where is Japan?

Where is Toyko?

What is a city?

What do traditioanl Japanese clothes look like?

What kind of foods do they enjoy eating in Japan?

Are there any famous landmarks?

What language do they speak?

Are there any culture and traditions we could learn about?

Shopping Wish List



Messy play is important for young children, giving them endless ways to develop and learn. As part of our sensory learning we like to have a range of textures for the children to explore.

For example, playing with 'goo' or shaving foam. These resources are needed throughout the year and can be costly, so we wondered if you might like to make a donation by buying an item from our 'shopping wish list' as part of your weekly shop. We do not need these items every week but just every now and then.

It would be wonderful for any donations! Also the cheapest brand is perfect, the cheaper the better!! Thank you.

WISH LIST: Shaving foam, rice, cornflour, hair gel, cream of tartar, food colouring (any colours if possible not gels).

If you are having a clear out we are collecting the following:

- Silicone cupcake cases / cake cases
- Wooden spoons, ladles, mashers, tongs
- Chop sticks
- Empty plastic pots that herbs or sprinkles come in
- Dolly clothes
- Old phones (landline or mobiles)
- Nuts and bolts

Thank you.