

ICK Curriculum Overview 2026-2027

K3 Term 1 January

Unit	Week	Theme	Subtheme	Story	Vocabulary	Speaking	Phonics	Early Reading
1	1	Chinese New Year	Zodiac Animals (Part 1)	Chinese New Year	year, rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake	1. "Tell me about the [zodiac animal]." Expected answer: "The [animal] is [big/small/strong/clever]." "The [animal] likes [characteristic action]." 2. "Which animal comes [first/second/third/fourth/fifth/sixth]?" Expected answer: "The [animal] comes [ordinal number]." (Example: "The rat comes first.") 3. "Which animal comes before/after the [animal]?" Expected answer: "The [animal] comes before the [animal]." "The [animal] comes after the [animal]." (Example: "The ox comes after the rat." "The rat comes before the ox.") 4. Picture Description: "Look at these zodiac animals. Which is your favorite?" Expected answer: "My favorite is the	Long Vowel ow - Blending	Sight Word: celebrate We celebrate Christmas in December. We celebrate Chinese New Year in January. We celebrate Easter in March.

						[animal]." "I like the [animal] because it is [characteristic]."		
2			Zodiac Animals (Part 2)	The myth of Nian Story	horse, goat, monkey, rooster, dog, pig	1. "What do we do before Chinese New Year?" Expected answer: "We clean our house before Chinese New Year." 2. "How do we clean our home?" Expected answer: "We [sweep/mop/wipe] the [place] with [tools]." 3. "Who helps to clean the house?" Expected answer: "My [family member] helps to clean." "We clean together." 4. Picture sequence: "What do we do when we clean?" Expected answer: "First, we sweep the floor. Then, we mop the floor. Next, we clean the windows. Last, we tidy up the house."	Long Vowel ow - Segmenting	Sight Word: some, children Some children wear new clothes. Some children eat sweets. Some children are happy.
3			Let's Celebrate	Maisy's Chinese New Year	lion dance, lantern, fireworks, flowers	1. "What do we see during Chinese New Year?" Expected answer: "We see [lion dance/lanterns/fireworks/flowers]." 2. "What colors are the lanterns?" Expected answer: "The lanterns are [red/yellow/gold]."	Long Vowel oi - Blending	Sight Word: watch, together We watch lion dance together. We watch lanterns together. We watch fireworks together.

						3. "When do we see fireworks?" Expected answer: "We see fireworks at night." "We see fireworks in the dark sky." 4. Picture Description: "What is happening in this Chinese New Year celebration?" Expected answer: "People are watching the [lion dance]." "There are [lanterns/fireworks] in the sky."		
	4		Traditions	Dragon in the city	family dinner, red packets, dumplings, tangerines	1. "What do we eat during Chinese New Year?" Expected answer: "We eat [dumplings/tangerines]." "We have a big family dinner." 2. Picture sequence: "What do we do on New Year Day?" Expected answer frames: What: "We [visit relatives/give red packets/eat special food]." Where: "We go to [grandmother's house/relative's home/temple]." Who: "We visit with [my family/parents/siblings]." When: "We visit in the [morning/afternoon]."	Long Vowel oi - Segmenting	Sight Word: bring, good Red packets bring good luck. Dumplings bring good luck. Tangerines bring good luck.