

# LUNAR NEW YEAR BLOSSOMS & LANTERNS: DAILY PROGRAMMING

Here are more activities to help strengthen memories and to connect to our Lunar New Year: Blossoms & Lanterns Activity throughout the month! As you plan your activities, keep in mind that the Lunar New Year starts on January 29th, 2025, until February 16th, 2026. Preparations can start 7 days before!

## Quick Printables, Winter Games & Jokes

- **Chinese New Year Word Search:** [Link here](#)
- Would your residents enjoy the story about the monster named Nián? **Here are more Chinese New Year Stories & Myths:** [Link here](#)
- **Cut out and give everyone their own Zodiac card based on their birth year.** [Link here](#)
- **Interesting information about the Year of the Dragon (2024) & Year of the Snake :** [link here](#) & [link here](#) and more zodiacs [here](#)
- **Short and Funny Jokes:** [Link here](#)

## Creative Corner

- **Make a Paper Chinese Lantern:** [Link here](#)
- **Lunar New Year Activities And Crafts:** [Link here](#)
- **Make Leaf Luminaries:** [Link here](#)

## Horticulture

- **Visit some of Japans magnificent cherry blossom trees:** [Link here](#)
- **Top 9 Lucky Lunar New Year Flowers and Fruits:** [Link here](#)
- **Learn how the Lunar New Year is linked to the cyclical pattern of agricultural production:** [Link here](#)

## Watch the Lunar New Year Celebrations online!

- **Let's go to a virtual parade in New York City!** [Link Here](#)
- **Watch an exciting, traditional Lion Dance!** [Link here](#)

## Learn More About Lunar New Year Celebrations

- Try traditional **Qi Gong breathing techniques** during a daily exercise, meditation group, or as a relaxing way to wrap up your Lunar New Year activity. [Link here](#)
- **Template for cutting out and folding traditional red envelopes for luck and good fortune** ([This site](#) has lots of free templates and instructions, or a simple template doc [here](#))
- Did you know that in preparation for the Lunar New Year, many people start their spring cleaning? Have your residents help **prepare for the festivities by doing maintenance tasks in the garden!** (Watering, raking the soil, pinching off dead leaves and flowers, picking up fallen leaves from the soil, dusting the garden structure and fan- turned off, etc.)
- Ordering **Chinese food for a catered celebratory event?** Here are ideas of what to order: [Link here](#)
- If your budget allows, **hire local lion dancers for an exciting cultural experience!** (See the image to the right.)

