

Media Release





SBS Learn shares the Year of the Snake with classrooms this Lunar New Year

SBS Learn is celebrating Lunar New Year, providing teachers with an exciting and creative resource to share a greater understanding of the cultures, traditions and festivities.

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SBS Learn is entering the Lunar New Year with a curriculum-aligned teacher resource, highlighting the Year of the Snake and including a range of engaging activities catered for primary and secondary students in classrooms Australia-wide.



L-R: Leah and Adelaide make Year of the Snake inspired fans as part of SBS Learn's Lunar New Year teaching resource.

Lunar New Year is one of the largest multicultural celebrations in Australia and observed by two billion people across the globe. SBS Learn helps spread the joy to classrooms with icebreakers, guiding questions for deep discussion, and an exciting new video resource, teaching students how to make snake-inspired fans with SBS Korean Executive Producer, Leah Hyein Na.



SBS Learn's Education Lead, Emily Yong said, "Lunar New Year is the most significant celebration of the year for many communities in Australia and SBS Learn is proud to make this cultural celebration more accessible to all Australian students.

"Sharing cultural knowledge helps students better understand each other and their neighbours and SBS Learn is ideally positioned to do this important work."

This year's resource provides a range of activities for students, giving the opportunity to learn more about the Year of the Snake and join Lunar New Year festivities. The activities included in this year's resource can be used as standalone tasks and will help teachers and students to better understand some of the traditions observed by multicultural and multilingual communities that live in Australia.

The SBS Learn resource enables teachers to share the celebrations of Lunar New Year with classrooms from Foundation to Year 8 and is available to **download for free** from the SBS Learn website. Download **here**.

Notes to the Editor:

About SBS Learn

SBS Learn is the educational arm of the wider SBS Outreach Initiative and is focused on creating quality materials for teachers. SBS Learn resources are aligned to the Australian Curriculum and are based on SBS/NITV programs and key cultural celebrations. Resources are designed with the values of diversity, inclusion, and connectedness in mind to help prepare young people for the world beyond the school gates. Visit SBS Learn here: www.sbs.com.au/learn

About the 2025 Lunar New Year: Celebrate the Year of the Snake resource

This teacher resource focuses on the 2025 Lunar New Year celebration and provides a range of engaging activities. These have been designed as standalone tasks to celebrate this important calendar event, or as introductory activities to commence the new schooling year. It has been created to be used alongside the <u>Celebrate Lunar New Year</u> teacher resource, a comprehensive guide to how Lunar New Year is celebrated in Australia and around the world by different communities.

This teacher resource for the 2025 Lunar New Year celebration is organised into both primary school activities and secondary school activities.

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