

English

Year 3

Term 3 Week 1

Tuesday 5th January 2021

- Session 1

Spellings

This week your spellings are:

accident

accidentally

actual

actually

address

WALT-write accurate sentences.

- S2S: I can
- Start a sentence with a capital letter.
- End a sentence with a full stop.
- Write sentences that make sense.

Welcome back! It's 2021!!!!!!

Happy New Year everyone!

What is New Year?

Why do we celebrate it?

Discuss what you already know about New Year with the person you are working with.

New Year Facts

- New Year Day is the first day of the calendar year. It is celebrated as a holiday in almost every country in the world. It is a time of fun, remembering the past, and hoping for good things in the future. In the United States, thousands of people jam Times Square in New York City to welcome the New Year at midnight. The transition between New Year's Eve and New Year Day is an exciting one. In Times Square, people count down the seconds to welcome the new day as the New Year ball slowly descends and lights up the area.



- Not all countries or cultures celebrate New Year on January 1st. The Chinese, Egyptian, Jewish, Roman, and Mohammedan years all have different start dates. [Chinese New Year](#) starts on a different day each year. Thousands of years ago, the Egyptians celebrated their New Year about the middle of June. That was the time when the Nile River usually overflowed. January 1 was recognized as New Year Day in the 1500's with the introduction of the Gregorian Calendar, this is the date system that we use now.
- Long ago in England, people would clean their chimneys on New Year Day. The English believed this brought good luck to the household for the coming year. The expression "cleaning the slate" came from this custom. This means to stop bad habits and start afresh. This is why many people have New Year's resolutions.



Task

Write a fact file about New Year. Think about the following

- How is it celebrated?
- Why is it celebrated?
- Could you set yourself a New Year's challenge or resolution?
- Draw some pictures of how New Year is celebrated.