

Chat, Play, Share

[HAPPY NEW YEAR SONG - A Learning song 4 kids - YouTube](#)

Happy New Year!

French – Bonne Année

Spanish – ¡ Feliz Año Nuevo!

Welsh – Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

Italian – Buon anno

German – Frohes Neues Jahr

Dutch – Gelukkig Nieuwjaar

Japanese (customary after midnight) – あけましておめでとう (Akemashite omedetou)

Polish- Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku

Happy New Year

Happy happy new year, happy new year

A time for hope and a time for cheer

Happy happy new year, happy new year

A song of joy for all to hear (repeat)

A year has passed

We say good-bye forever

A new year dawns HOORAY!

It's a brand new day

Happy New Year everybody

Everyone hold hands and step backwards and forwards making eye contact. Give each other a big smile and sway in time to the beat of the rhyme. Once you are familiar with the song, make up your own actions to go with the words. If you are interested in learning some basic sign language, please see the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YtAi0R83qzU>



Chat Play Share...Other ideas you could try....

Share a story together about New Year and chat about the pictures and story. Examples of stories:

- Shanté Keys and the New Year's Peas by Gail Piernas-Davenport
- Happy New Year, Spot! by Eric Hill
- Goodbye old year, hello new year by Frank Modell
- Squirrel's New Year's Resolution by Pat Miller

Recall

Have a conversation about Christmas. What information can you recall? Is your child able to put events in order? Discuss New Year traditions like First Footing in Scotland. Find out about twelfth night and think about traditions you have as a family. Older children might be able to think back further and talk about highlights from 2021 and things they are looking forward to in the new year.

Months and dates

Have a look at a calendar and say the months of the year. Pick out any special dates (like birthdays or festivals) and write a note, talking about what makes that day special.



New Year Resolutions

A New Year's resolution is really a goal. Talk to your child and make a resolution together. Keep it realistic and make forming new habits fun! Ideas include:

- I will try hard to tidy up my toys by putting them where they belong.
- I will let my parents help me brush my teeth twice a day.
- I will try new foods when I can, especially all different colours of vegetables.
- I will always hold a grown-up's hand whenever I cross the street.