LUCKY THE DRAGON
A CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR CRAFT!

The exciting dragon parade is part of Chinese New Year celebrations around the world. Dancers carry a long colorful dragon through the streets with much fanfare as a symbol of good luck.

Supplies in kit
• 1 dragon printout
• crepe paper “fire” streamers
• 2 craft sticks
• 1 pre-folded paper strip for the body

What you’ll need from home
• markers, crayons, or colored pencils
• glue stick or School glue
• tape (optional choice for attaching the craft sticks)
• scissors

Directions
1. Color and cut out the dragon’s head, tail, and legs.

2. Attach the legs, craft sticks, and crepe paper “fire” streamers to the dragon’s body as pictured.
3. Gently pull the fire streamers through the dragon’s mouth as pictured.

4. Once the head has reached the body of the dragon, add glue to the white side of the head and press it together so that it is attached to the body. Next, add glue the white side of the tail, and press the sides together at the other end of the dragon’s body. Now Lucky the Dragon is ready to dance!

**BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

*Moonbeams, Dumplings and Dragon Boats: a Treasury of Chinese Holiday Tales, Activities, and Recipes* by Nina Simonds

*Why Rat Comes First: a Story of the Chinese Zodiac* by Clara Yen

*My First Chinese New Year* by Karen Katz

*Bringing in the New Year* by Grace Lin

*A New Year’s Reunion* by Li-Qiong Yu