In China and all over the world people are getting ready to celebrate the Chinese New Year. These are some of the things they do.

They clean their houses to sweep away any bad luck.



They give their front doors a new coat of paint. Can you guess what colour? Why?



They put lots of decorations up. Some are outside, like this road in London,





## and some are inside, like

these.



They send New Year cards to their family and friends



Year!



The children get lucky money packets with shiny coins in.



## They buy new clothes to wear.







## They have special food.

http://chowtimes.com



Outside they play really loud music and let off firecrackers (a kind of firework) that make a really



loud noise.



Eve Batten 7.2.08



They do a 'Lion Dance' using a huge puppet.



They let off beautiful fireworks for everyone to enjoy. Happy New Year!

