

Year 5 Topic Summer 2021 – SHANG DYNASTY



Literacy:

The key text will be Philip Pullman's *The Firework Maker's Daughter* with a focus on formal/informal letters and persuasive writing. In comprehension lessons, we will explore Ancient Chinese myths and Haiku poetry. In SPaG lessons, we will be learning about cohesive devices.

Maths

Areas include: percentage, decimal and fraction equivalence; calculation using decimals; dividing decimals by powers of 10; angles; shape; translation reflection; measurement



Science:

Summer 1: key properties and chemical changes of materials including study of solutions, separation and irreversible changes
Summer 2: changes as humans develop to old age including main changes during puberty; using comparative and fair tests



History and Geography:

We will: study the physical/human landmarks of Asia, countries and major cities; vegetation belts and climate zones; type of settlement by Yellow River, irrigation, trade routes (Silk Road); examine artefacts and explain what they show us about that time in history: consider the legacy of the Ancient Shang dynasty

Art/DT:

Bamboo and cherry blossom paintings; clay pots; cookery of savoury Chinese foods

Music:

Musical notation; composition and performance using pentatonic scales and graphic scores; research of ancient musical instruments; listening to repertoire /comparison of pieces portraying fireworks

RE:

We will reflect on the meaning of Jesus' teachings and sacrifice; Christianity in the community; symbolism in the Holy Communion

PSHE: Staying Healthy; The Working World; A World without Judgement

Computing:

Spreadsheets; computer networks; programme design



