





## **Dynamic Dynasties**

## **Curriculum Unit Overview**

This project teaches children about the history of ancient China, focusing primarily on the Shang Dynasty, and explores the lasting legacy of the first five Chinese dynasties, some of which can still be seen in the world today.

As historians we will:	As writers we will:	Books we will read:
<ul> <li>Understand the methods of historical enquiry</li> <li>Explore the validity of a range of historical reports</li> <li>Gain a sound knowledge and understanding of the wider world</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Write a diary entry</li> <li>Write a balanced argument about an everyday issue</li> <li>Write our own stanza based on the poem Tyger Tyger burning bright</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The 'Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q Rauf is our focus book for writing lessons in Autumn 1.</li> <li>Bronze and Sunflower is our Beautiful Read book for Autumn 1.</li> <li>'The Girl of the Ink and Stars' by Karen Milwood Hargrave is our Beautiful Read book for Autumn 2.</li> </ul>

Computing	Reading Skills	Mathematics
Esafety Programming How to use data	Skimming and Scanning skills. Inference skills to work out why characters behave in a particular way based on events in the book. Note taking and annotations to help us to summarise.	Place value within 1,000,000 Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division Fractions
Physical Education	PSHE	Science
Leadership skills & Athletics	Happy and healthy friendships Similarities and differences	Human & animal lifecycles and ageing
Art & Design Technology	Music	Religious Education
Tints, tones and shades Moving Mechanisms	Livin on a Prayer Classroom Jazz	Where does the Christian bible come from? Why is Muhammad important to Muslims?













Home Learning Projects – these are some project ideas for you to enjoy at home with your child. All projects will be displayed in class.				
Have a go at reading a Chinese recipe and making it. Take a photograph of your creation.	Learn some Chinese and record yourself! Perhaps you can teach the class.	Create a shadow puppet and use this to retell a favourite story of yours.		
Create a powerpoint about different aspects of the Shang Dynasty or about life in China today.	Have a go at writing your name in Chinese Calligraphy.	Create a poem about Ancient China.		

KEY DATES & REMINDERS			
PE	Weekly Homework	Reading Books	
Friday is our PE day. Children need to come into school in full PE kit	Maths flex TT Rockstars Spellings	Please read WITH your child every day for 15 minutes.	





