

YEAR 6 SPRING TERM

SHANG DYNASTY CHINA



This term, year 6 will be learning about the Shang Dynasty of ancient China.

They will find out about the history of the Shang Dynasty, artefacts and lifestyle, culture and traditions (including Chinese New Year), traditional Chinese music and compositions.

We will look at how this was one of the earliest civilizations to develop a written record and we will study Chinese pictograms.

Children will discover how materials such as silk are made and will be creating Shang inspired designs to paint on silk. We will also have a go at some Chinese cooking!

As part of Science, we will also look at how countries such as China are leading the way in alternative energy production, such as hydroelectricity. We will study the Science behind traditional Chinese puppet theatre.

USEFUL WEBSITES:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/z39j2hv>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/shang-dynasty>



Key Vocabulary:

dynasty	ruler	ancient	emperor
oracle bones	pictogram	bronze	pottery
jade	artefact	hierarchy	peasant
craftsman	merchant	warrior	priest