

Theme

During this term, we will be exploring the Chinese Shang Dynasty and celebrating the Chinese New Year.

Hook – Solve clues to identify text to be studied

Marvellous Middle – Create a shadow puppet story

Fantastic Finish – A celebration of Chinese art and food

In English, we will during the course of the first week, finish off reading Street Child before moving onto exploring a story from another culture. Activities to include:

- Character analysis
- Letter writing
- Poetry
- Dialogue
- Instructions
- Differences in cultures
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In Science, we will be learning about light:

- recognise that we need light in order to see things and that dark is the absence of light
- notice that light is reflected from surfaces
- recognise that light from the sun can be dangerous and that there are ways to protect our eyes
- recognise that shadows are formed when the light from a light source is blocked by an opaque object
- find patterns in the way that the size of shadows change

In geography, we will be identifying areas on the world map and contrasting locations.

In history, we will be studying the Chinese Shang Dynasty

Years 4/5 Term 3 Sparks Might Fly

Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) – Years 4 and 5

Apostrophes to mark singular and plural possession

Speech marks to punctuate direct speech

Appropriate choice of pronouns

Standard English forms for verb inflections

Year 5

Modal verbs

Relative clauses

Years 4 and 5

Statutory spellings including prefixes and suffixes

Maths

Multiplication and division

Area and Perimeter

Fractions

All maths lessons contain aspects of problem solving and reasoning.

Times tables should be practised regularly and will be tested weekly.

PE - there are two timetabled sessions of PE every week on Monday and Thursday. A full kit should be in school at all times.

This term the activities will be hockey, basketball and boccia

RE – The Canterbury Diocese Plans – The Gospel

Computing – Research and communication

Dates for your diary

19.01.2018 Cricket assembly

25.01.2018 Please return bags to school

02.02.2018 Christingle Service in church 2pm

Home learning

Home learning is distributed on Thursday, to be handed in the following Wednesday.

Our value this term is reflectiveness.