

Year 5

St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

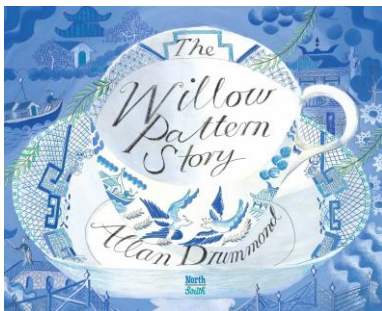
'Creating new possibilities for our future, with compassion in our hearts and courage on our journey.'



Autumn 2 - Learning Overview

The Hook

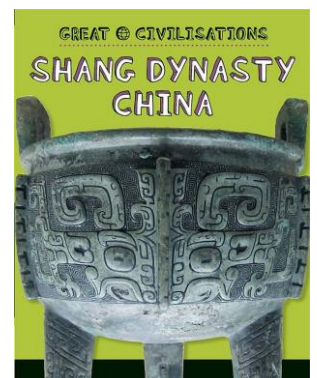
1 - The Willow Pattern Story by Allan Drummond



To begin our willow pattern story learning journey, which links to our topic on the Shang Dynasty, the classroom became a museum exhibition featuring 6 ceramics. The children looked at these patterns and predicted the stories that they would tell.

2 - A range of non-fiction texts including Shang Dynasty China by Tracey Kelly

To begin our learning journey on Shang Dynasty, the classroom will again transform into a museum. This time showcasing artifacts from this period of history. The class will continue to build on their knowledge of the Shang Dynasty in order to eventually design their own themed exhibition.



What we will be teaching:

English:

In Autumn 2 we are looking at figurative language: personification, hyperbole, simile and metaphor. The class will also practise using different sentence openers for effect including fronted prepositional phrases, and how to use parenthesis with a range of punctuation to add detail to their sentences. The class will be applying their learning to a variety of writing outcomes including postcards, letters and an advertisement.

Maths:

During this term we work through units on: fractions, time and, geometry and measurement.

History/Geography:

This term there is a focus on History. Our topic is the Shang Dynasty which begins with exploring a tomb with all its artifacts. We will then compare elements of culture from this period with modern day as well as placing it on a historical timeline.

Science:

Our unit is space and gravity. The children have already shown great enthusiasm for this unit as we

explored Nasa's live model of the solar system.

ART/DT:

This term the focus is on Design and Technology, specifically electrical systems with more complex switches. This project builds on prior knowledge from year 3/4. The class will use research to develop a design specification for a functional product that responds automatically to changes in the environment.

RE:

Incarnation: Was Jesus the Messiah? The children will become investigative journalists examining written evidence to help them answer our big question.

Computing:

This half term's unit is around creating media through video production. The children will create a story board to plan then film their own video.

PE:

Indoor PE is Dance this half term. The children will explore a series of different dance styles. We've kicked off the term with bollywood dancing, learning hand movements like the lotus and the deer. Outdoor PE is Netball (invasion games). Each week will focus on a different skill like pivoting or passing before we begin to play matches as a class.

French:

In Autumn 2 we will cover: the alphabet, greetings and phrases, french spellings/etymology of words and building up to brief conversation 'et tu'.

Messages to parents:

Remember to check the St John's jottings weekly for dates of upcoming events in school. This is emailed each Friday and is designed to keep our community up-to-date on important events in school.

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