






# Autumn Term Overview – Year 5 – Miss Thompson’s Class



Our Autumn unit is: <h2>Dynamic Dynasties</h2> 	Year 5	Term Autumn 1 and 2	Duration – 14 Weeks	Academic year 2023-2024
	Key Themes :  Communication  Creativity  Community  Coastal			
<b>Big Picture</b> 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.	<b>Key Vocabulary</b> Ancestor, civilisation, clan, ding, divination, dynasty, emperor, hierarchy, inscription, jade, legacy, legalism, military, oracle bones, shaman, Shangdi, taotie, Terracotta Army, tomb, Warring States Period, Yangtze River, Yellow Emperor, Yellow River, Yinxu, zeng Fu Hao, Han Dynasty, Zhou Dynasty, Xia Dynasty, Qin Dynasty, Shang Dynasty	<b>School Learning Values</b> Responsibility Resilience Respect Honesty Friendship	<b>Key events/dates</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct – TSAT We Are One Event - Black History Month 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Potheridge House Residential 16 <sup>h</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct –Scholastic book fair. 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct – PTA Autumn disco 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov – Year 5 Bikeability 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct – Online shop closes for Christmas card orders. 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct and 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov – PTA Book Sale 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Individual and Sibling school photos 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov – TSAT We Are One event – Remembrance Day 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Swimming begins 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov and 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov – PTA Lantern Making 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need day 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Brixham Lantern Parade 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec – PTA Xmas Fair 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec and 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec – EYFS Nativity 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Class Showcase (2.30pm) 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Lunch day	<b>Home Learning</b> *Daily reading *Spelling practice for Friday’s test of keywords (sheets sent home) and fortnightly test of spelling rules. *Use Times Table Rockstars at least 3 x per week. *Weekly Maths, English or another subject home learning task given out on a Friday through the Teams platform and due in on the following Wednesday.
History	English	Maths	Science	Art

<p>History is our driver subject this term. The children will be learning about the archaeological dig at Yinxu, oracle bones and their significance, religion in the Shang Dynasty and the importance of bronze, jade and silk. The children will also develop an understanding of power and hierarchy, everyday life in the Shang Dynasty and an in depth study into a prominent figure during the Shang Dynasty.</p>	<p>We will be developing our writing through looking at different genres, including narratives, descriptive pieces, non-chronological reports and poetry. We will be developing our reading skills through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts in Whole Class Reading, sharing a Class Story for pleasure and working from model texts in our writing units. We will be learning a range of spelling rules as well as National Curriculum statutory words which will then be assessed regularly.</p>	<p>We will learn about the place value of a number up to one million, including ordering, comparing and rounding these numbers. We will also be learning to develop our understanding of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) – as well as, using the inverse and multiplying by 10,100 and 1000. There will also be a focus on securing our times tables up to 12x12.</p>	<p>We will be learning about the forces of gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction, with children exploring their effects. They will also learn about mechanisms, their uses and how they allow a smaller effort to have a greater effect. We will also be learning about our Solar System and its spherical celestial bodies, describing the movements of the Earth and the other planets relative to the Sun, the Moon relative to Earth, and the Earth's rotation to explain day and night.</p>	<p>Tints, Tones and Shades teaches children about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and exploring mixing tints, shades and tones. They learn about significant landscape artworks and features of landscapes. The next project teaches children about the significance and art of the taotie motif, including ancient and contemporary casting methods.</p>
<p><b>French</b></p>	<p><b>PE</b></p>	<p><b>Computing</b></p>	<p><b>PSHE</b></p>	<p><b>RE</b></p>
<p>We will be recognising some previously known words, identifying and sorting nouns, using adjectives correctly, and to ask/answer questions to begin to make comparisons.</p>	<p>We will focus on football as our core sport and the fundamentals of Real PE. Swimming will form part of PE during term 2 in order to develop our confidence to swim 25 metres competently using a range of strokes. We will also be developing our gymnastics skills.</p>	<p>We will continue to use digital technology to enhance our learning through a variety of platforms. We will also focus on internet safety, how to research effectively and developing our presentation skills.</p>	<p>Being me in my world – which is an introduction to personal goal setting, rights/responsibilities, and democracy. Celebrating Difference – which explores cultural differences, racism, bullying and the importance of being kind.</p>	<p>We will be developing our knowledge of different religions by learning about Buddhism – specifically Dharma Day and studying Buddha's teachings.</p>