



# Autumn 1 Learning

## in Year 4

### The Shang Dynasty



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#### As readers and authors we will:

- be reading a variety of texts including those linked to our topic. We will be writing our own fantasy stories and instructions.
- look at a variety of grammar features including those linked to our writing genre.



#### As mathematicians we will:

- be consolidating our knowledge of number bonds to 100 and identifying what each digit within a number represents.
- continue to practise our written methods of calculation and mental strategies. We will also be focussing on our times tables.



#### As linguists we will:

- be continuing our work on greetings from year 3 and learning how to use new phrases in different situations.

#### As historians and geographers we will:

- be looking at the key events that led to the Shang Dynasty in ancient China. We will also look at the way people lived in different times during the Shang Dynasty and what artefacts tell us.
- look at the physical features of ancient China and how this has changed over time.

#### As athletes we will:

- be looking at improving the control and quality of our striking skills and adapting rules of games.
- Furthermore, we go swimming to Halifax baths every Tuesday to learn / develop our swimming skills.



#### As scientists we will:

- learn about states of matter and how the different structures of solids, liquids and gases.
- look at classifying different substances and how they are used.



#### As musicians we will:

- learn to play and perform using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.
- listen with attention to detail and recall sounds whilst appreciating and understanding a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music from different traditions and from great composers and musicians.



#### As artists and designers we will:

- be looking at Chinese food and how to prepare it.
- also design and make our own ceramic pots, using clay, inspired by our work on The Shang Dynasty.