

Music, Art and Design & Technology

In **Music**, we will be learning how music can reflect our emotions and mood. We will be using different tuned and untuned instruments to explore these ideas. Through these different activities the children will build up to a composition which they will have composed and will perform.

In **Design & Technology**, we will be investigating different food that the Chinese eat. We will look at the different types of ingredients that they use and how they differ from our own. In these lessons, there will be opportunities to taste these dishes and even make a dish!

In **Art & Design**, in this exciting unit, we are looking at different styles of art from China. We will reproduce a fiery dragon, a terracotta soldier and design a Ming plate. We will understand the importance of writing in China, which is considered an art, there will be opportunities to replicate this type of calligraphy.

Maths

This term we will be continuing to learn our times tables. Each week the children will complete an arithmetic test and then misconceptions will be covered in class. Over the course of the term, consolidation of the different written methods of the four operations will be covered alongside geometry and measurement.

Modern Foreign Languages

In French, we will be learning about Petit Chaperon Rouge (Little Red Riding Hood) and different features of our bodies. We will then write our own versions of the story.

English

Our English will allow the children to have opportunities for cross-curricular learning. We will be reading the Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman, and developing our reading skills to enable us to appreciate and understand stories from a different culture.

The writing genres that will be covered are writing a traditional tale, an explanation text and calligrams. All this will be based around our topic of China. We are really excited about our upcoming learning!



Lower Key Stage 2

Spring 2019

Science & Computing

In **Science**, we will be learning about the different states of matter, solids, liquids and gases. We will also be looking at the parts of a flower and seed dispersal.

In **Computing**, we will learn about programming and bringing images to life. We will be using Scratch to programme animations and how to edit and manipulate images.

PE

We will be developing different ways to stretch and curl our bodies. We will understand the importance of stretching our muscles.

In Dance, we will be looking at 'Dragon Dances' this ties into our topic of China. This unit develops different rhythmic gymnastics sequences to music whilst pretending to be a dragon!

Geography & History

In **Geography**, we will be exploring China and its culture. We will learn how to locate China on a map and look at its climate. In understanding the culture, we look at how people live and about the languages spoken there.

In **History**, we are studying China and the Shang Dynasty. We will be learning about all of the different kings and the people that lived there. We will also learn about their beliefs and have an exciting 'Chinese New Year' celebratory day.

PSHE & RE

In **RE**, we will be focusing on Christianity. We will be looking at forgiveness and miracles ahead of Easter.

In **PHSE**, we will be looking at dreams and goals, focusing on how to overcome disappointment and how to achieve our goals. Our second topic will be Healthy Me, where we will look at keeping our bodies healthy through exercise and food as well as how to deal with difficult situations.