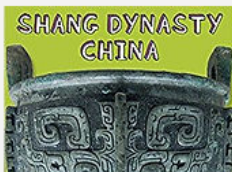


Year 6 Homework – The Shang Dynasty

Please complete **three** tasks (or more, if you prefer) and bring into school on Monday 25th March, 2024.



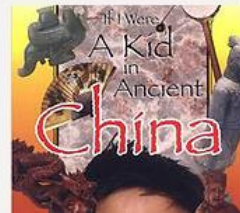
<p>Write your own Chinese Myth or Legend. Can you create your own illustrations to go with your myth?</p>	<p>Watch Kung Fu Panda and write a review of the film. What did you learn from it? Does any parts resonate with the learning you have been doing in class?</p>	<p>Choose your favourite ancient Chinese invention and research its origins. You could produce a fact file about it.</p>	<p>Calligraphy is the art of handwriting. The Ancient Chinese considered writing an important form of art. Calligraphers would practice for years to learn to write perfectly, but with style. Each of the over 40,000 characters needed to be drawn precisely. Find out 10 Chinese characters, draw them with precision and say what they mean. Be creative!</p>
<p>Listen to traditional Chinese music. How does it compare to the music you listen to today?</p>	<p>Research some authentic Chinese recipes. Try cooking one with your family and write a 'restaurant review' together.</p> <p>Research the Chinese New Year. What does the 'year of the tr' mean?</p>	<p>Visit a museum and find the Chinese pottery section. The British Museum or the V&A in London have excellent collections or you may be able to spot some items at The Russell Cotes in Bournemouth.</p>	<p>Explore the differences between Ancient and Modern China. Create a presentation about them.</p>



Shang Dynasty China (Great Civilisations)

This book introduces key aspects of life in The Shang Dynasty through examining a series of objects and archaeological findings. Full of high quality pictures, this information text encourages an investigative approach to history.

Recommended books to read...



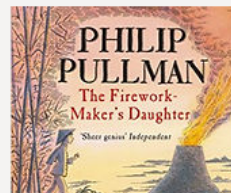
If I Were a Kid in Ancient China

This information text offers an exciting insight into what life would have been like for children in Ancient China. This is an important non-fiction addition to your classroom library and a great way to see history through the eyes of a child.



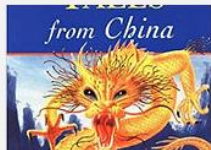
The Willow Pattern Story

This is the story behind the famous blue and white willow pattern from Ancient China. With beautiful illustrations and an unusual end, The Willow Pattern Story will leave both pupils and teachers enchanted.



The Firework Maker's Daughter

A popular novel set in Ancient China, suitable for Upper KS2 or more confident readers. The Firework Maker's Daughter is the captivating story of Lila, who wants to be a firework maker just like her father. Follow her dangerous quest through strange lands as she journeys to the evil Fire-Fiend.



Tales from China

Tales from China is a collection of myths and legends from Ancient China. You will meet magicians, ghosts, fairies, demons and gods in these exciting stories of mystery and magic.



The History Detective Investigates: The Shang Dynasty

This book covers the main historical aspects of The Shang Dynasty from its early development through to its fall after the Battle of Muye. The text is filled with high quality glossy pictures of artefacts and objects from Shang times and is a good introduction to some of the key historical sources.