

Key Stage 1 Overview

Spring 1

As historians we will be learning about events that are significant in the history of the world such as the entombment of the first Chinese emperor with his terracotta warriors and the building of the Great Wall of China.

As geographers we will be using atlases and globes to locate China and other countries in Asia. We will learn about the landscape, famous sights, traditions and culture of China.

As computer technicians we will be continuing to explore programming and coding on the computers. We will continue to learn about how to keep safe when using the internet.

To develop our understanding of religion we will explore the question "Why are some books and stories holy?" We will listen to and discuss stories from different religions.

As dancers we will be working with a coach to create and perform dance routines in groups. We will be learning a traditional Chinese dance that we look forward to performing at the end of term.

Social Moral Spiritual Cultural

We will be finding out about the traditions and culture of China. We will also learn about Chinese New Year and how it is celebrated.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

To develop our knowledge and understanding of the world we will:

Be exploring China! We will learn about the landscape, buildings, people, culture, food, traditions and the language of this fascinating country.

Exploring China!



Why?

We will extend our knowledge of the world by learning about life in a different country.

Curriculum Drivers

Communities

As members of the community we will:

Learn about what it is like to live in Chengdu in China as a member of the community. We will work with our Mandarin teacher from Chengdu to learn about her life and compare it with life in Wakefield.

As artists we will be learning about Chinese arts and crafts. We will use this work as a basis for our own art. We will be practising the skills of drawing and painting.

As designers we will design and make a Chinese rattle drum. We will design our drum, create a finished product and evaluate our work.

In SEALS our new topic is "Going for Goals." We will set targets for ourselves and work hard to achieve them. We will think of ways to persevere with things we find difficult.

As musicians we will be learning and performing songs and rhymes about Chinese New Year. We will listen to traditional Chinese music and use our rattle drums.

As sports people we will be working with sports coaches to play team games. We will be learning to follow rules and listen carefully to instructions.

Fun Day!

We will be having Chinese New Year's party with dragon dances, Chinese food and lots of fun activities! We are very excited! Date to follow.

Emotional Awareness

In our emotional development we will:

We will learn about the importance of respecting the different cultures, traditions and beliefs of others. We will compare our lives to the lives of children in China.