

Repton Manor Primary School Topic Planning – Topic Coverage

Year Group: 5/6	Big Questions	Learning Opportunities	Subject Coverage	Objectives Covered
Term(s): 3&4 Topic: The Shang Dynasty of ancient China. SS: Visit to the British museum. MM: Chinese dragon dance FF: Chinese New Year celebration. Trips / Visitors: Learning Environment:	Who is Qin Shihuangdi?	Qin Shihuangdi was one of the most powerful men who ever lived. He showed and protected his power in different ways.	History	KS2 (7)
	Who are the terracotta army?	Qin Shihuangdi created a wall so that his rule would last into eternity. Everything was made as life-like as possible and every figure is different. Encourage the children to look closely at all the figures to see the differences between them. Look at the different types of armour on the soldiers; some of them are not wearing any armour, why not? How are their faces different? Why do they think there are musicians, a strongman and an acrobat? What kind of instruments might the musicians be playing? Chn to then work together as a class to create a terracotta army.	History D&T	History KS2 (7) D&T KS2 (1&2) KS2 (4) KS2 (6)
	Can you create a dragon mask?	Dragons and tigers are symbols of power and authority. A form of dragon mask is one of the most ancient decorations; it is usually found on bronze objects. The phoenix is a symbol of beauty and good luck. Experiment with Dabbing as an effect- Research the impressionists and how they used colour to effect the emotion felt by a viewer of a painting. Monet's haystacks through different times of day. Van Gogh starry night.	Art: 1, 2, 3	Art KS2 (1&2)
	Why did the emperor want to build a wall?	How good an idea do you think it is to try to keep people out by building a wall? Do you think the wall on its own could keep out enemies? How many workers would be needed to build the wall and how would they get all the materials they needed?	History	History KS2 (7)
	Can you compose a piece to accompany your dance?	Chn create a musical composition and a dance to perform at the banquet. Link in notation- learn a song with given notes.	Music	Music KS2 (1, 2, 4 &6)
	Can you create a traditional Chinese dish?	Chn to research recipes for traditional Chinese food and chn to make the dish to serve at the banquet.	D&T	D&T KS2 (15)
	Is it possible for everyone to be happy all of the time?	Buddism – Is it possible for everyone to be happy all of the time? Learn about the 8 fold path and create our own. Learn and map the life of the Buddha.	RE	RE

	Can you organise a Chinese New Year celebration?	Dance, food, music, invitations, art and other Chinese related things.		Fabulous finish
	Writing opportunities	The Emperor's tomb has never been opened since it was sealed up more than 2000 years ago. Nobody knows exactly what is inside. Perhaps one day you will be lucky enough to find out...		
		Discovery RE –Teacher to choose big question to suit individual class	RE	AT1 B Practices and ways of life AT2 F Values and commitments AT1 A Beliefs, teachings and sources AT2 E Meaning, purpose and truth