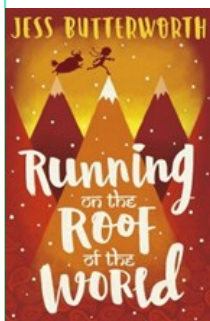
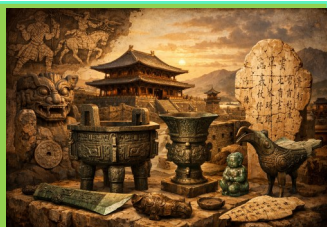


## Reading



In reading this term, our class texts will be *Running on the Roof of the World* where Tash has to follow many rules to survive in Tibet, a country occupied by Chinese soldiers. In our whole class reading sessions, we will look at a range of extracts and texts. We will focus on skills of retrieval and finding and explaining the meaning of vocabulary in context.

## **Spring term 2: Ancient China**



## Topic:

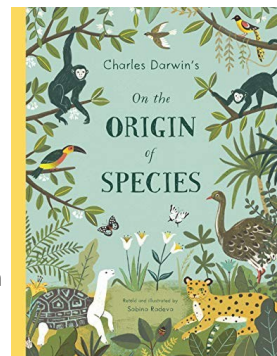
This term our history topic is Ancient China and we will be exploring the following:

- **How do we know about the Shang Dynasty? What was everyday life like in the Shang period?**
- **Religion & hierarchy in the Shang Dynasty**
- **Military might in the Shang Dynasty – Why were the Shang so successful?**
- **What followed the Shang Dynasty?**

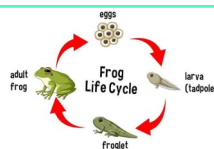


## English:

This half term in Owls, we will be using the book 'Charles Darwin's On the Origin of Species' by Sabina Radeva. After being inspired by the stunning illustrations and text which bring the theory of evolution to life, they will go on to write their own discovery narrative about arriving after a journey to discover a new creature. They will then write an explanation text about an imaginary adapted animal.



## Science:



The half term in Science, the children will be learning about Animals including humans and life cycles. In this sequence we will cover:

- The human life cycle
- Babies and children
- Adolescence
- Adults and the elderly
- Gestation periods for mammals
- Life cycles of various creatures

## PSHE:

In PSHE, the children will be thinking about being healthy. They will think and discuss healthy choices, healthy diets as well as keeping active. They will discuss healthy relationships and keeping themselves safe and managing stress and pressure.



## Art / D&T:

The children are completing a mixed media project based on the Hindu religious stories they learnt last half-term. We are very lucky to have an artist from our parent community helping to create the finished pieces.

## Computing:

This half term the focus is databases. The children will look at how they are constructed, how to use them and use google sheets to create their own databases.

## PE:

Hockey is the focus this half term. The children will build up their stick control, learning to dribble, pass, tackle and shoot.

We'll play a variety of mini-games and matches across the unit.

## Maths:

In maths this half term, we are going to be focusing on securing a written method for multiplication and division and ensuring we are being accurate with our place value in these calculations. We are also going to think about when we can calculate mentally or using jottings i.e. when multiplying and dividing by 10,100,1000 etc. We will also be focusing on decimals, ordering decimals and ensuring we can add and subtract decimals efficiently. We will also compare decimals, percentages and fractions.

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## Music



In music, the children will plan and compose 8 bars of music using creative musical ideas inspired by a historical or narrative context.

## French



The children will learn all about clothes. Using adjectives to describe them the verbs associated with them.

## Religion and Worldviews:

In Religion and Worldviews this half term, the children will be learning about the importance of resurrection to Christians. Children will study the Easter story and learn about the rituals that Christians observe in the run up to Easter.

Rev Gary will come to school to deliver a whole school assembly on the Easter also.