



# What makes me a caring and active citizen?

Curriculum Information  
Summer 2016

As a **Rights Respecting School** we will continue to learn about the rights and lives of children throughout the world and explore the Year 3 Big Question, **‘What makes me a Caring and Active Citizen?’**

This final term sees the conclusion of this academic year’s project **‘Shaping Our Future – Let no one be left behind’**, during which we have learnt about the new Sustainable Development Goals and their relevance to the children’s future. We continue to raise awareness about the Global Goals in this term’s theme **Planet 50:50**. The children will reflect on the role of gender in the efforts to make our world a better place for everyone; in shaping our future girls and women must not be left behind.

**Topic** 

Our topic this term will consider the achievements of the Shang Dynasty, an early civilisation from around 1250 BC. We will also explore the life of Fu Hao who was a great female leader of the time. This study will also inform the children’s work in English lessons and support our SDG focus.

**English** 

In year three our English lessons will be topic based and include elements of grammar, speaking and listening and extended writing on a weekly basis. We are reading stories from other cultures in class and will write our own story based on the Shang Dynasty and the book Where the Mountain Meets the Moon. In the second half of the term we will write explanation texts using our knowledge of plants from our science lessons.

**Maths** 

We will begin the term with a focus on statistics, data collection and analysis. We will also recap written methods specifically looking at the column methods used in addition and subtraction as well those written methods used in multiplication and division. Time will also be spent in class each day on mental maths skills and we encourage you to support your child with these at home.

**Science** 

The children will spend the summer term learning everything about plant growth! We will even have the opportunity to work in the school garden to grow our own plants with the help of gardener Jo. In English we will use all of our knowledge about plants to write a class information book. We will link this with the SDGs which are a key part of the curriculum .



## PE

This term's sports are football and Cricket. We will have a professional coach to teach the cricket lessons. Children should ensure that they have the school PE kit, white top and black shorts with suitable footwear. In the second half of the term we will focus on the Olympics.

## RE

RE is taught through a series of concepts which allow children to have reflective discussions about religion and share their experiences and opinions. Our focus this term is rites of passage and stories with messages.

## Art

We will study the art of Ancient China and explore the development of calligraphy. We will also participate in a workshop to create our own pieces. Even creating our own oracle bone.

## Music

In music this term in line with our Shang Dynasty study the children will focus on Chinese music. They will learn pentatonic scales on the piano to perform later in the term. Using the repeated patterns the children have composed, they will be played into the computer to create an oriental sounding piece.

## MFL

In French we will be learning about life cycles and using Jack and the Beanstalk as a focus text. We will be learning how to give opinions and justify them, as well as extending our range of vocabulary.

## PSHCE

In our summer term we will be focusing on understanding how some of us are different, stereotyping and inclusion. We will also learn about safety around drugs like drink and tobacco, helping children to understand how to keep safe. In our Sex and Relationships lessons we will name body parts.

## Computing

We will continue to learn about internet safety and our presence online. We will also analyse simple computer programs, identify the errors within the code and then find a solution.