

Dear Year 6,

I hope you are all enjoying the sunshine and are staying safe and well! I can't wait to see some of the work that you are doing on the Shang Dynasty! Last week you researched an aspect of Shang religion and bronze vessels called 'dǐngs'. This week I have included some home learning tasks which continue to develop our Shang dynasty theme around the lives of ordinary people.

Mr McCarthy.

### **The Shang Dynasty**

How do you think ordinary people lived during the Shang Dynasty?

- What do you think they did to earn a living?
- Where do you think they lived?
- What did they wear?
- What do you think they ate?
- What kind of work did they do?
- Did they have any special beliefs that affected their lives?

Once you have conducted your research you could write a diary for a day in the life of an ordinary person of the Shang dynasty. Try to include as much detail about the time period as you can!

The BBC has some useful information which may help you.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z39j2hv>

### **Maths – Percentages**

Revisit the following:

- Equivalence between decimals, fractions and percentages

*0.5 is equivalent to  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 0.25 is equivalent to  $\frac{1}{4}$ , 0.1 is equivalent to  $\frac{1}{10}$ .*

- Finding percentages of amounts

*Find 20% of 1kg.*

- Comparing fractions of amounts to percentages of amounts

*There are 140 sweets in a jar in a sweet shop. Katy buys  $\frac{2}{5}$  of the sweets. John buys 45% of the sweets. Work out how many sweets each child buys. Who buys more sweets?*

The School Run website provides information which can support you.

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/what-is-a-percentage>

### **Reading**

- Continue to update your reading diary.

Thinking about a book or chapter you have read recently, can you summarise the main ideas and key information in a short, concise paragraph that makes sense.

- Which information could you leave out?
- Which information is integral to the chapter or story?
- Remember, the fewer words the better - within reason!

### **Art & Design**

In previous weeks we have looked at the importance of oracle bones (also known as dragon bones). Design and make your own model of an oracle bone using modelling clay or a material of your choice. For extra detail you could try to carefully inscribe some oracle bone script into it!

