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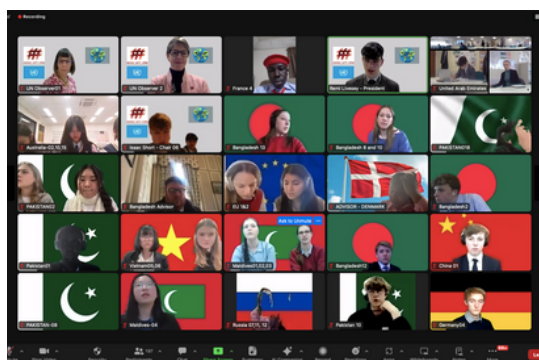
Dragon bones & other stories

2024 has got off to an exciting start. Applications are now open to enable a further 30 pupils to benefit from a fully-funded 2-year A-level education on the Engage with China Scholarship programme. A funding bid has enabled us to teach an additional 410 pupils so far about China's history, including Dragon (or oracle) bones through our brand new Shang dynasty China Challenge Day and more than 1,400 visitors enjoyed our CNY event in Worcester. Bookings are now open for our [Global Perspectives summer camps in China](#) (Do use code HJ2024 to benefit from per person discount). Please like, follow & share our stories on social media & help us build China literacy in the next generation.

EwC Scholarships open

Applications are now open for our 2024-26 cohort of Engage with China Scholars. We are proud to partner again with Wycombe Abbey Schools in China to offer up to 30 A-level scholarships to pupils sitting their GCSE exams this summer. Open to British students, the lucky applicants will join our first, pioneering cohort who started their education in Changzhou, Jiangsu Province, in August 2023. They are delighting in their new school environment, learning mandarin, the extra-curricular provision, sports, cultural trips & making Chinese friends.

Pioneers they have been. Ambassadors they are. Global leaders they will be. [Apply now!](#)



Model UN builds skills & consensus

Our 3rd, annual, global, online, climate change Model UN Conference attracted participation from 300 students in 22 schools across 4 continents. Conference President and A-level pupil from our host school, The Grange, Cheshire, Remi Livesey, aged 18 said: "The beauty of this type of MUN debate is the chance to speak from another perspective. This ability is a great 21st century soft skill." All students sought consensus & hoped to mitigate the impact of climate change through their negotiations. Schools included six from China, the UK, Brazil, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Zambia & Dominica. [Contact us to register.](#)

Awaken China curiosity

EwC has started delivering our signature China Challenge Days into another ten state schools thanks to the generosity of a national funder under our *Awaken China Curiosity* campaign. More than 450 pupils in Bristol & Worcestershire have so far enjoyed these curriculum enrichment days bringing culture right into the heart of the classroom. From the Great Wall to the Warrior Queen Fuhao in the Shang Dynasty, to tea tastings, the discovery of porcelain and silk and painting some Chinese calligraphy, pupils have been inspired about China's history, geography, language, maritime trade, technological innovation and culture. [Invite us into your school today.](#)



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"The Flavours of China day was fantastic! Our pupils loved the fast-paced activities and they really brought our enquiry on China to life." Mr Wilson, Y5 Teacher, West Town Lane Academy

"The Shang Dynasty is so thrilling; it is equal in many ways - though different -to the Egyptians and it's been so exciting to tie the learning in with KS2 history. The children today have been so engaged and enjoyed talking about sources of evidence." Mrs Calvert, Headteacher

"The kids have learnt so much. We teachers have learnt so much and it has made me want to go and visit China!" S. Dove, St George's, Y3 Teacher

"What a fantastic day - such interesting information given. EwC covers trade, natural resources and is underpinned with location knowledge," Geography & History Coordinator, Y4,5 and 6Claine's Primary School

Shang Dynasty resource

We are really proud of our brand new Key Stage 2 Shang Dynasty China Challenge Day learning resource. "Can we have a China day every week?" asked one happy pupil who had enjoyed guessing what the artefacts were and practicing Chinese calligraphy.

Using quality learning resources and activities we facilitate "an enriching cultural visit without having to get on a coach," as one teacher put it. Through five hours of classroom teaching time, including drama and role-play, pupils discovered about this ancient but technologically advanced civilisation, its societal structures & exciting, archaeological finds.

"An interesting, engaging day that our children loved & which gave us all plenty to think about," Ms Dove, St George's, Y3 teacher



At a time where intercultural understanding has never been more vital, Engage with China takes head on the challenge to educate the next generation about the breadth and depth of one of the world's most important and least understood civilizations. These are programmes brimming with vivid interest that students will find irresistible.

Leading educator validates EwC work

Hailed as 'the best-informed education insider,' Clarissa Farr is a former Head at St Paul's Girls' School & is current Chair of Friends at the British Museum. She was bowled over with the idea & excitement of bringing China into the classroom. We feel both encouraged and delighted to have enthused such a shining light in education. See here what she said about us.



We need your support

Since 2018 our small charity has taught in many primary & secondary UK schools reaching more than 4,000 pupils, inspiring them about China & the impact it has had on the world from ancient to modern times. We also work on an international stage through our pioneering Model UN conference & developing cross-cultural future leaders through our scholarship programme. However, we rely heavily on funding to deliver our initiatives and for curriculum enrichment. Please help us to build China literacy and greater sustainability into our unique China-UK educational initiatives. [Donate today!](#)



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