



## Pages 46-47 teacher's notes

### Chinese painting

1. Kids love doing the step-by-step Chinese paintings. Encourage one brushstroke per line of painting only. Make the lines very thin where shown, and heavier to make thicker strokes.
2. Look at a real Chinese painting, point out the brushstrokes and see how hard it is. One stroke wrong and the whole painting is ruined!
3. Do an extension on calligraphy as an art form, and look up online the proper way to hold a paintbrush and some Chinese calligraphy. Chinese people have handwriting too. They do cursive characters, just like we do joined-up handwriting.
4. Ask the children to have a go at writing their Chinese name with a paintbrush in black watercolour. Make the characters quite big.