

THE GREAT AMERICAN

Road Trip

North America





KEY QUESTIONS...

What are the wonders of the world?

What is a desert?

What are the similarities/differences between the Midlands and Las Vegas?



What is a biome? What are the different biomes in North America?

Where does our food come from?

Where is America in the world and what is a state?

Dear Parents and carers,

Here is our topic for this half term. Please also see the Creative Homework sheet and Knowledge Organiser for ideas about supporting your child's Learning Journey.



Wow Event/Hook: Children have a 'Wild West' experience including lassoing items, playing games from the US and panning for gold.

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING:

As Readers we will: We will use our key vocabulary linked to this topic to help us read and understand non-fiction and fiction texts. We will summarise the main ideas from our key texts to ensure that we know important information, and retrieve information from a text.

As computing experts we will: use Google drawings software to create layered vector drawings.

E-safety- We will understand when it is acceptable to use the work of others.

As Designers we will: Research, design and make a background using our computing skills to use for an artistic setting.

As Athletes we will: learn to swim. We will improve on our fitness levels through a range of activities and we will create a dance routine linking to our topic.

As Authors we will: Read and enjoy different styles of poetry before creating our own. We will also write to persuade and create a leaflet to encourage tourists to visit America.

As Scientists we will: describe the life cycles of a range of animals, and describe the life processes of reproduction in plants and animals. We will plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, record data and report and present findings.

As Geographers we will: locate countries on a map and identify similarities and differences between the UK and North America. We will look at biomes and discuss the different climates and link this to our knowledge of the equator etc. We will look at where food comes from and how it reaches our plates. We will identify the wonders of the world.

As good communicators we will: Perform an individual slam poem to our friends.

Religious Education: We will find out why some people think God exists.

As Musicians we will: Appreciate and understand a wide range of live and recorded music from different traditions.

PSHCE- JIGSAW theme: Being me in my world- We will learn about being a British citizen, and the consequences our choices might have.

As linguists we will: Rehearse the French phonics, then talk about our pets.

As mathematicians we will: Revisit place value to recognise numbers up to 100,000. We will focus on formal written methods of addition and subtraction. We will interpret data through graphs and charts.