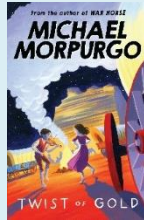


Spoken Language:

Expressing opinions about places in the USA, sharing research with a group and discussing a text.

Writing:

Diary entries based around our Guided Reading text – Twist of Gold. Brochures on one of the American states studied within our topic.



Engage:

We will be jumping onboard a mock aeroplane in the hall and flying to America! We will complete our passports with photographs of some human and physical features we spot along the journey as well as plotting our route through different American states. We will be flying 1st class so snacks and drinks are provided!

Maths:

Understanding bar models using Cuisenaire rods. Revisiting place value up to thousands.



Computing:

E-safety lessons and learning about networks. What are they, how they are used and how they work.

Science:

Learning about electrical circuits, identifying common electrical appliances and recognising common conductors. We will then make our circuits more interesting by experimenting with the use of switches.



What makes the landscape of America so diverse?

Geography:

Locating features of the USA, describing key aspects of their physical and human geography.

PE:

Invasion games (netball).

DT

Safe peeling and chopping skills for an apple pie

Prove it:

Working in groups to research one of the American states. Children will answer the key question and create a travel agency which parents are invited to attend on **Wednesday 15th October 2025 and 2:30pm!**

PSHE:

Being Me in My World. Children will learn about democracy and how it works in school through the school council. They will begin to understand what it means to belong to a community and how they fit into this.

Music:

Learning to sing, play, improvise and compose the well known song Mamma Mia.

Things to explore with your child!

PE – Our PE days are:

Wednesday (fortnightly)

Friday

Times Tables and Spellings:

Times table rockstars and spellings home learning tasks will be sent out every Monday. Please aim for your child to do these at least 3 times a week.

Spelling tests will be completed in school during the week.

Reading:

We encourage you to listen to your child read as much as possible. Ideally they should read every evening, making sure they read a variety of different genres.

Please encourage them to fill in their reading record book. These should be handed to the class teacher every Friday. Children get prizes the more they read!

Writing:

Over this half term we will be writing diary entries and creating brochures.

If possible, read some non-fiction texts about different cultures particularly American as this is our lead topic.

Topic Learning:

Children should complete at least 1 piece of topic home learning. What they do for this is their choice. Please see the next page for some ideas to get started!

Topic learning should be handed in (to the class teacher or via Teams) by Friday 10th October 2025!

Science:

Discuss with your child how we rely on electricity every day – can they give you examples of how it is used around the house?

Hunt for different items around the house that would be good insulators or conductors and discuss them.

Useful websites and resources:

Here are some useful online games which can be found by typing the names into Google.

Hit the Button (for times tables and number bonds)

Mental Maths Train (four operations)

Geoguessr (geographical knowledge)

Road Trip USA



HOME LEARNING PROJECT IDEAS



Write some questions and interview someone who has visited America

Create a map of one of the American states.

Research a physical feature found in America and create it using clay or other materials.

Create a board game based on road trip around America.

Write a story, newspaper report, poem or any other text about America

Read a book that is set in America and create a book review. What did you learn?

Research one of the American states and present your findings.

Research an American food and have a go at following the recipe at home. Take pictures!

Please complete at least one activity by Friday 10th October.
Our topic showcase will be Wednesday 15th October @ 2:30pm