

English

Key Texts: Earth Magic, Sky Magic: Native American stories

Writing:

- Setting description of a North American country
- Retell of a Native American myth
- Fact file of a North American country

Reading:

- Children will increase their familiarity with poetry and poetry techniques
- Children will draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions
- Children will discuss words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination.

Spoken word:

- Children will participate in discussions, presentations, and role play
- They will ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge

Text and Word:

- Children will use fronted adverbials to add interest and variety to their writing
- Building a rich and varied imaginative vocabulary.

Punctuation

- Children will secure their use of basic sentence punctuation
- Children will begin to use and punctuate direct speech

Sentence Structure

- Extend their sentences using a range of subordinating conjunctions.
- Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors and improve writing as part of the editing process

Learning Theme

Great Works: Science Exhibition - torches

In **Geography**, the children will study about the continent North America. They will identify on the map where the different countries are and will be looking at a range of biomes and their characteristics as well as what makes a major city. The children will make comparisons between the UK and North America and understand about different time zones. In **Music**, the children will start learning a musical instrument with Surrey Music Hub to develop their musical skills. This term they will rotate their musical instruments. In **DT**, the children will use the science knowledge to design and make a torch with our trip to Sayers Croft in mind!

Curriculum Information

Year 4

Mrs Ready, Miss Pither and
Mr Denman

RE: Christianity What did God promise his people?

PE: OAA and Hockey (Get Set 4 PE)

PSHE: Being me in my world (Jigsaw)

Maths

Place value

- 4 digit numbers
- Placing numbers on a numberline
- Partitioning number flexibly
- Rounding to the nearest 10 and 100

Addition and subtraction

- Add and subtract 1's, 10's, 100's and 1000's
- Methods for addition and subtraction including written and mental methods

Science

Electricity: Circuits and conductors

- What is electricity?
- What are conductors and insulators?
- Making a simple circuit and knowing the symbols for drawing a circuit
- Understanding how a circuit works

French: Greetings & about ourselves (Rigolo)

Computing: The internet: How it works, how to access and how to keep safe (TEACH Computing)



Recommended Reads

Sofia Valdez, Future Prez by Andrea Beaty and David Roberts
The Election by Eleanor Levenson and Marek Jagucki
Little people, big dreams: Zaha Hadid by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara
In every house on every street by Jess Hitchman and Lili La Beleine
Iggy Peck, Architect by Andrea Beaty
Belonging by Jeannie Baker
A world of cities by James Brown and Lily Murray
This is how we do it by Matt Lamothe
Hey Wall by Susan Verde
Last stop on market street by Matt De La Pena
Thank you, Omu by Oge Mora
Maybe something beautiful by F. Isabel Campoy
Snow globe wishes by Erin Dealey
Horrible geography: Raging Rivers by Anita Ganeri
Horrible geography: Cracking Coasts by Anita Ganeri
Horrible geography: Odious Oceans by Anita Ganeri

Useful Websites

BBC Bitesize
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>
Hit the button
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/mathsgames/hit-the-button>
Top marks (for maths)
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
Times Table Rockstars
<https://trockstars.com/>
Brilliant book list for Year 4
<https://www.ashleyschool.org.uk/learning/curriculum-1/english-1>
Online books to listen to
<https://www.storynory.com/>
Jackanory junior (online books to listen to)
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b007t9wg>
Books for topic- Looking for book recommendations
<https://www.booksfortopics.com/branching-out>

Optional Home Learning Ideas

Visit the library and borrow some books. Maybe share your recommendations with your friends or teachers!
If you do visit the travel agency, can you find any books brochures about North America? Maybe some information books or even some story books set in North America? Do some research about North America in preparation for our learning.
Talk to a member of family/friends who have been to North America? Do they have any stories or photos to share?
The British museum have some amazing artefacts and information on North America
Inuits. Research on the clothes they wore and why they wore them.
Think about where we live and how Britain is different to North America.

