

English

This term, the children will be looking at 3 different texts. "Brother Eagle, Sister Sky", "The Matchbox Diary" and "Tar Beach". Through these books, we will be following the history of the USA and using our writing skills to produce diary entries, non-fiction writing, persuasive writing based on our learning.

Throughout this Term there will be a continued focus on spelling and reading.

RE/Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our topic for the first part of term is "Family". We will be thinking about what family means to us and learning about Jesus' family.

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Learning Journey
Road Trip USA

Maths

This term the children will be reviewing their knowledge on number and place value. We will be learning about 4 digit numbers and the different ways in which they can be represented. We will also be learning about addition and subtraction. They will be developing their skills learnt last year to become more confident in using formal written methods.

Towards the end of this term, we will be focussing on multiplication and division where a quick recall of all the tables will be essential for this year.

PE

Some form of PE and exercise will be completed each day and taught by Miss Russell on a Thursday afternoon. Even though they will not always be required to change into their PE kits should be in school every day.

Science

Our Science topic this term is 'Electricity'. The children will identify and name a range of familiar devices and equipment that require electricity for power. They will also learn to construct a simple circuit, using a range of components and switches for control.

Geography

The children will locate the US on a world map, globe or satellite map, identifying its position in relation to the Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere,

Home learning

As reading is a priority for this Term, the children have been provided with a plastic folder with their reading tasks. Each week the children are being asked to read to aloud to an adult, which needs to be record (by the adult) on the record sheet at the front. In addition, an activity to show that they children are understanding what they are reading will need to be completed each week. They can choose any of the activities and the number recorded on the sheet. Lined paper has also been provided to record their work. On a Friday, the folders needed to be brought to class where we will award Dojos for the work completed during that week. The children will earn minutes of Golden Time as a reward for working hard.

Computing

We will be using a range of computing skills this term to help us to research different aspects of American culture.

Art and DT

The children will be looking at pictures and examples of Native American dream catchers. They will then design and make a personal dream catcher using joining and weaving techniques.

Spellings will also be given out on a weekly basis. We may not always test the children but will look for evidence in their writing.