



YEAR 4 SUMMER TERM

TOTEMS AND TEPEES

ENGLISH

In English this term, we will be continuing with our class text 'The Demon Dentist,' and we will be using this to write a persuasive letter.

To begin our Totems and Tepees topic, we will explore North America in order to write a diary based on a true survival story.

As part of our learning about Native Americans, we will read a Pocahontas text and use this to develop our narrative writing.

Later in the term, we will use our science learning on the digestive system to write an explanation text. Throughout this term, we will develop our ability to answer a range of reading questions, focusing on explaining, summarising and predicting.

MATHS

A big part of our maths learning this term will focus on securing our knowledge of our times tables. We will practise our mental maths skills daily and will also complete fluency questions on the four operations on a weekly basis.

Further to this, we will be taught how to convert measurements involving time and solve time problems using our reasoning skills. We will compare analogue and digital time and learn how to convert between the two.

In summer 2, we will learn all about statistics. We will construct our own tables and bar charts and learn how to interpret these to a degree of accuracy.

WOW EVENT!

POW WOW DAY!

HUMANITIES

HISTORY

As part of history this term, we will be learning all about North America. We find out about the true Pocahontas and research the main tribes of North America.

GEOGRAPHY

After locating North America on a map, we look more closely at the physical and human characteristics of this region. We learn all about how mountains are formed and practise our map skills by locating features on an Ordnance Survey map.

RE

Why are festivals important to religious communities? Why do some people believe in the journey of life?

LANGUAGES

Recording parts of the body and walking through the jungle.

COMPUTING

This term in computing, we will convert some simple algorithms in to code. In addition to this, we will create some digital presentations based on our topic – Totems and Tepees. We will do this whilst learning about how to safely search the internet.

THE ARTS

MUSIC

As part of our music learning, we will compose a piece of music based on North American tribal dances.

ART & DESIGN

In art this term, we have a very exciting project to complete: designing and making our own totem poles. In DT, we will use our creative skills to make our own North American headdresses.

PSHE

In PSHE this term, we will learn about chores at home and discuss money management. In summer 2, we will then start our RSE topic and focus on the early stages of puberty.

SCIENCE

Our Science learning this term will include the topics of teeth, digestion and electricity. We will learn about the different types of teeth and their functions and will carry out investigations to discover the effects of decay on teeth. We will label the different organs in the body and create a flowchart of the digestive system.

Finally, in our electricity topic we will identify common appliances that use electricity and test different materials to compare conductors and insulators. We will then construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.