Year 6 – Summer term (April – half-term.)

# **American Skylines**



# Over the next term our theme will be North America.

Our focus of Powerful Knowledge will be based upon the reoccurring themes of:

- Location
- Human activity

# Year 6 will learn:

# • What are the major cities and states of North America?

• Pupils will learn that North America can be divided into five physical regions: The mountainous West, The Great Plains, The Canadian Shield, The Eastern Region and the Caribbean.

• Pupils will learn key human features: Hoover Dam, Statue of Liberty, Times Square, CN Tower, Disney World, Hollywood sign, Golden Gate Bridge, Mount Rushmore, Seattle Space Needle.

• Pupils will learn some of the major cities in North America: Mexico City (Mexico), New York (USA), Los Angeles (USA), Chicago (USA), Toronto (Canada), Houston (USA), Montreal (Canada)

# CURRICULUM COVERAGE

English and Destination Reader In English and Destination Reader we will be reading the book The Good Thieves, by Katherine Rundell. This story is about a young girl who travels to New York to help her Grandpa. When she gets there she realises that



it is up to her to try to seek justice for her Grandpa from the wrong-doing of a wealthy business man, who is not all he seems.

### Maths

Over the coming term we will be covering the following:

- Long division
- Long multiplication
- Co-ordinates
- SATs style questions

### Science:

Pupils will identify the main parts of the human circulatory system and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. They will understand the ways in which the nutrients and water are transported around the body in animals and humans.

#### Art:



Lee Quiñones is considered the single most influential artist to emerge from the New York City subway art movement. We will be looking at his influence on modern street art and designing our own piece of street art.

## NINJA SKILLS

As Ambitious Ninjas we will set our selves ambitious targets and work to achieve these.

As Courageous Ninjas we will try something new; something that takes us outside our comfort zone.

As Determined Ninjas we won't give up until we achieve our goals.

As Dynamic Ninjas we will have a positive attitude and be full of energy and new ideas.

As Inspirational Ninjas we will help our friends; approach work differently and take inspiration from others

As Resilient Ninjas we will learn from our mistakes and bounce back from these.

# PPA TIME Forest School - Rowling 6:0 - Morpurgo Swimming - Shakespeare

## These sessions will run first thing on a Tuesday morning.

If your child is involved in Forest school this term please ensure that they come to school in weather appropriate clothing! Please bring uniform into school. The children will change after Forest School.

Please could all named PE kits be brought in within the first week.

# Home Learning

There are many Apps that the pupils have access to at home:

- Doodle Maths
- Doodle Tables
- Spelling Shed
- Accelerated Reader (Doodle maths login)

<u>Reading</u>: Year 6 should try to read every night and record what they have read in their reading records. We understand that Year 6 may like to read on their own and then ask an adult to initial their reading record or they can read with the adult.

## Home Learning Project

Here are some ideas for a project to choose from over this term:

1) Create an American city Diorama, you can use a shoe box on its side, then cut out sections of cityscapes and layer them in front of each other to create depth.



2) Research and make a fact file about an American city of your choice.



3) Research Katherine Rundell or find out about other books she has written, why not read one at home! And complete a book review on it.



4) Research our focus artist: George Lee Quinonnes. Try copying some of his work or designing an image in his style.

