



Road Trip U.S.A.



Buckle up, sunglasses on—we're going on a road trip across the good ol' U.S. of A. Yee Ha!

As Mathematicians, we will start with statistics and then re-visit core skills for place value, number and the four written methods.



In English, we will marry our writing and Geography skills to write information texts about various U.S. states. We will compare and contrast how they do things there to how we do things here and design our own tourist passports. We will show our 'street cred' by writing a New York rap as well as using the classic, 'The Indian in the Cupboard', to inspire our story writing skills.

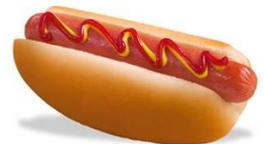
We will explore the art of the Native Americans, using their patterns to design and make tepees and totem poles.



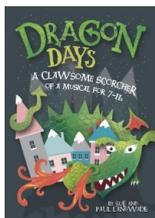
We will revise the main continental land masses and oceans, with a focus on North America. We will learn why it is called the U.S.A. and learn about some of its amazing physical features, like the Grand Canyon and Niagara Falls, and how its geography has shaped how this enormous continent has been farmed and settled over the centuries.

We will make and test electrical circuits and learn how to draw them accurately using electrical diagrams. We will then test different materials in our circuits to see which make the best conductors.

In Food Technology, we will research traditional U.S. dishes, have a go at cooking our own and then at writing recipes based on our experiences.



In Music, we will listen to and evaluate the traditional and cultural music of North America while, also practising the songs for our Y3/4 production, 'Dragon Days'.



In computing, we will become digital authors, writing, proofing and editing our own 'wikis'.

**Y3/4 Family Challenge
We will use our research skills to find out about significant U.S. historical characters and geographical features. We will use what we learn to create displays to share with our classmates.**

The RE focus for this half term is 'symbols'. We will look at how religious and spiritual ideas can be expressed in different ways in different faiths, and where ideas are shared by different faiths.