



Jewell Academy
an Aspirations Academy

Year 6: Autumn Term 1 2023



Destination: North America



Driving Question:

How can we, as travel agents, persuade people to visit North America?

Launch:

On Monday the 12th of September, we will be immersing ourselves in all things North America. We will be taking part in activities themed around each country whilst tasting the local cuisine.

Overview:

In our new topic, we will be taking on the role of travel agents, learning about the geography of North America and working together to create an advertising campaign to persuade tourists to visit North America.



Computing

Use the green screen and iMovie to create and edit videos.

English

Identification of persuasive features of a text.

Geography

Explore the human and physical features of North America.

Art

Replicating artists: Andy Warhol.

Vocabulary:

attraction
North America
states
countries
tourists
physical
human
travel
Agent
language
culture
experience

Learning conversations to have at home:

Discuss with your child where North America is in the world. Can they think of any famous tourist attractions they might want to visit?

Using [Google Maps](#) or an Atlas, find North America on a map. There are lots of famous attractions including: The Grand Canyon National Park, this is in Arizona and is home to much of the immense Grand Canyon! The Statue of Liberty: The Statue of Liberty is a colossal sculpture on Liberty Island in New York Harbor Chichén Itzá: Chichén Itzá is a Mayan ruin in Mexico.

Ask your child if they know who Andy Warhol is? Do they like his style of art?

Andy Warhol (1928-1987) is a famous artist who made colourful pop art pieces such as: [Soup Cans](#), [Marilyn Monroe](#) and [Coca Cola](#).

Topic Home learning:

Take a trip to North America! Why do you think so many people travel through North America every year? Each week you will need to pick a task from the activity grid and bring your topic homework into school every Friday.



Future Careers:

We will be joined by a visitor from a local travel agents who will share lots of examples of persuasive campaigns and careers.

Landing:

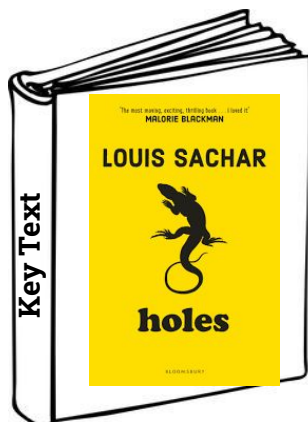
We will be sharing our amazing persuasive videos with the travel agent who will critique our campaigns and give us feedback!

Reading

This term our key text is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. This is an all time Year 6 classic and we absolutely love this book! Holes explores the mystery of 'Camp Green Lake' and all the secrets that are hidden there.

What do you think the lizard on the front represents?

Have you read any books by Louis Sachar before?



Why do you think the book is called "Holes"?

Have you seen the film linked to the book? Will it be the same?

English

- ★ Narrative writing focus
- ★ Sentence structure
- ★ Relative clauses
- ★ Cohesive paragraphs

How can you help at home?

- Explore and create your own relative clauses by using [this website](#) to watch the video and have a go at the quiz.
- Head to the library to read other books written by Louis Sachar

Maths

- ★ Recapping the four operations + - x ÷
- ★ Place Value with numbers up to one million
- ★ Recapping KS2 knowledge

How can you help at home?

- Encourage your child to practice their times tables for 10 mins a day on TTRockstars
- Quick fire arithmetic questions based on + - x ÷ using ['Mental Maths Train'](#)

Science

We are learning all about how light travels in straight lines from [light sources](#) to our eyes.

Geography

We are learning about and identifying human and physical features of North America.

Music

We are learning the song ['Happy' by Pharrell Williams](#).

PSHE

We are learning all about 'Being Me in my world' and having discussions with the children.

Art

We are learning about [Andy Warhol](#) and his style of artwork.

Computing

We are learning how to create advertising campaigns using a green screen and Google slides.

Design and Technology

Next half term, we are learning about mechanical systems such as levers and pulleys.

Physical Education

We are learning how to defend and attack in invasion games and balancing in gymnastics.

French

We are learning to accurately pronounce sounds in French for example: 'eux' 'e' 'eau'

Religious Education

We will be exploring how do [Muslims](#) show their commitment to God.

Dates for the diary

- Monday 5th September - first day of school
- Tuesday and Thursday = PE days