# **English**

To begin the term, the pupils are developing their use of language by creating poems based on The Sound Collector. We will then begin reading our class book, working towards writing a setting description based on a location in North America, followed by a newspaper report on Earthquakes and an explanation text on how Earthquakes happen. Reading will focus on the active reading strategies in order to support the pupils' comprehension skills.

## **Maths**

This term, the pupils will be extending their knowledge of number and place value through working with numbers up to a million, counting in powers of 10, rounding numbers up to a million to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, 10 000, 100 000 and using negative numbers.

# Autumn Term 1

# <u>Class – 5</u> Road Trip USA



# Class Book: Holes

(Louis Sachar)

## Topic

Our topic this term is Road Trip USA. Firstly, pupils will locate the oceans, countries and states. The pupils will explore the environmental regions in North America, the landscapes and manmade landmarks, followed by comparing the Chesterfield to a place in America which will link to our geography field trip on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September (letter to follow). We will discuss the importance and impact of tourism before moving onto studying the San Andreas fault line and how earthquakes happen.

## Science

For the first two terms, we will be exploring the properties of materials. These lessons will involve a variety of experiments to discover the properties of different materials such as solubility, conductors, magnetic and many more. Grandparents Science Afternoon on Thursday 24th October will explore the properties of kitchen roll.

#### Art and D&T

In DT this term, pupils will be introduced to typical North American food. They will be designing and making a traditional American apple pie. You are invited to attend school that afternoon (17th October) in order to taste their apple pies to support their evaluations.

### Music

The theme for music lesson this term our topic of North America. We will be learning about "Rodeo" which is music that was originally composed for an American ballet. Pupils will also be learning about typical Motown music through listening and exploring instruments.

# Computing

To start the term using computers safely, the children will be focusing on online safety including safe searching using the platform Swiggle, keeping personal details safe and cyberbullying. Pupils will also be developing their word processing skills by presenting their work in this format.

## **PSHE**

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We will be exploring the questions

"What does it mean if God is

loving and holy?"

The pupils will be focusing on the topic *Being Healthy*. Pupils will explore and discuss a range of issues such as mental health, physical health including healthy eating and creating healthy habits such as less technology time and managing risks.

#### French

Pupils will be recapping their knowledge of French so far before moving on buildings.

#### PΕ

This term we will be following the Real PE scheme in one of our PE lessons which focuses on ball skills. Prior to commencing swimming on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September, the other PE lesson will focus on orienteering skills to reinforce their map work in geography.