

Year 5 Newsletter - Autumn Term Part 1

We have had a very exciting first half term in Year 5. Our topic has been 'Across The Pond' and we have been looking at North America, learning in **History** about Christopher Columbus and America's discovery, and the Native inhabitants already living there.

In **Geography** we made a map and investigated our way around the states. We all worked collaboratively to present a Powerpoint on the human and physical features of different areas of North America.



In **Art, and Design and Technology**, we designed, planned and made Totem Poles to represent our own clans out of cardboard tubes! Our project was also linked to English and RE, as we have been reading and writing our own Native American stories. We researched the animals which best represented us, drew them onto our cardboard and used different media to make them. We were excited to show these during our Fantastic Finish.



In **RE**, we have been learning about and reflecting upon how the world began, through exploring different creation stories. We represented a Native American creation story using different media and wrote poems about the awe and beauty of our wonderful world.

We became news reporters in **English**, reporting live from New York City as King Kong escaped and climbed up the Empire State Building, clutching Ann in his hands. We used the Green Screen app to make our videos and had great fun doing so.



In **Maths**, we have been learning about number and addition and subtraction. We have been investigating new ideas and working together. We have really enjoyed solving puzzles and creating our own, so we can challenge ourselves as much as possible.



In **PE** we have been learning how to communicate and work collaboratively through games like the River Crossing and Karabaldi. We had a class tournament where we used all of the skills we've developed this term.

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