

**Year 4 Homework Summer 1- Projects will be shared on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May - please ensure your project is brought in on this date.**

## **Project Focus: Road Trip USA**

- Make an Iroquois Longhouse
- Use online sources to research and create a timeline of Native American history. Decide which events are most important, and write a caption to go with each date, explaining what happened.
- Native American symbols can vary in meaning from one tribe to another and across different regions. Symbols were used for a variety of reasons and are depicted on numerous objects. What can you find out about this mysterious language?
- Find out about the Battle of the Little Bighorn. Why is it such an important historic event?
- What were the Beaver Wars? Write a historical account that includes who fought, why beaver fur was so important and what happened.
- There have been many U.S. presidents over the last 100 years. How many can you find? Write a short biography about one of them.
- Write a speech for a tribal chief to make to his tribe. It could be to get them ready to fight against another tribe or to announce a forthcoming marriage.
- Plan a second road trip, this time around South America. Plan your route on a map and write an itinerary.
- Help prepare a United States-themed evening meal by writing a shopping list for parents and carers. Report back to others using video or photographic evidence. What did you have to eat?
- Research the significance of words and phrases (such as harmony, nature, spirit, natural, soul, force of nature, orenda, dream and vision) to the Iroquois culture. Use drawings, photographs and text to create a digital presentation to record and share your findings.
- Compare data between America and England. Can you share it in a bar chart? For example the amount of rainfall each month.

## **Books to read:**

- The Indian in the Cupboard, Lynne Reid Banks
- Native American Tales and Legends, Allan Macfarlan
- Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief (Book 1), Rick Riordan
- Brother Eagle, Sister Sky: A Message from Chief Seattle, Susan Jeffers
- Twist of Gold, Michael Morpurgo
- USA (Horrible Histories Special), Terry Deary
- The Enchanted Moccasins and Other Native American Legends, Henry Rowe Schoolcraft
- Grandmother's Dreamcatcher, Becky Ray McCain