

Four Lanes Community Junior School



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 2 2024

5RJ – Mr Jeffreys and Miss Rose, 5MB - Mrs. Burdock, 5PW - Miss Capel and Mrs Bridge
Our PPA cover teachers this term are: Ms Coleman, Mrs Drury-Sims, Mr Hicks
Supported by our LSAs: Mrs. Douce, Mrs Harris, Mrs Phillips, Miss Smith

We hope you had a restful and relaxing half term, ready to start afresh. This term we have lots to look forward to including book week we can enhance our love of reading and books.

This term Y5 will be going to swimming as part of our PE lessons. We will be going swimming every Monday. Please ensure that your child brings in their relevant swimming kit and their school uniform, which they can change into.

Main topics and learning this term:

Ancient Egypt

Science: Forces that oppose motion

In maths, we will moving onto looking at statistics, area and perimeter and shape. We will continue to practice our understanding of our all four operations and fractions, decimal and percentages.

In English, We will be looking at a range of texts and we will write instructions based on our learning from our history lessons. We will continue to practise our skills of using time adverbials and imperative verbs. We will also writing non-chronological reports based on our learning in Spring 1 about rivers.

In history this half term, we will be learning all about Ancient Egypt and their beliefs about the afterlife. This will include mummification process and understand why these were important for many Ancient Egyptians. We will be honing in our historical enquiry skills through looking at a range of sources, artefacts and asking historical questions in order for us to investigate.

In science, we will be looking at forces, particularly air resistance and water resistance. We will look at how these forces affect objects. We will also look at friction and how gears, levers and pulleys can lessen the amount of force that we need to apply.

How you can support your child's learning at home:

- Reading remains fundamental to your child's further learning so please listen to your child on a regular basis regardless of their ability. Please also make use of Spelling Shed. If your child has Bug Club, please help them use it.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts is important; MyMaths and Timestables Rockstars are useful sites.
- Please record any activities that your child undertakes in their Home-link Book and ensure these are in school each day.

Homework:

This term the homework will alternate with Maths one week and English the next.(The focus of this will be to create a presentation on a river of your child's choice to present to the rest of the class. MyMaths will be used to set maths homework and English work will be a task set in the children's homework books. Homework tasks will be set on a Friday and must be handed in or completed by Wednesday. This allows the class teachers time to ensure that it is checked before the homework is set again on Friday. All weekly spellings lists are set on Spelling Shed and the word list runs from Friday to Wednesday. Again, this allows teachers to be able to log in and check the work. A minimum of ten games must be completed for homework.

A few reminders:

- PE Days are as follows:
5MB and 5RJ – Wednesdays
5PW–Fridays
Our School Library time is on a Wednesday afternoon. Children can also change books during their lunch times.