Four Lanes Community Junior School



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Spring 2 2024

6RT Mrs. Thorpe, 6RS Mrs Sheehan, 6CS Miss Skilton Our PPA cover teachers this term are: Ms Coleman, Mrs Drury-Sims, Mrs Smith Supported by our LSAs: Mrs Nash, Mrs Hursell and Miss Wakelin

This term we will continue to prepare for the SATs that will be taking place in the summer term. We will also be giving the children more opportunities to produce some independent writing so that they can apply everything they have learned so far. They have been doing an amazing job of rising to every challenge that we have set them and we can't wait to see how much further they can go. As part of our preparation, some pupils have been invited to booster sessions to further support their learning.

This term we will also look forward to book week, where we will exploring a new text and continuing to promote our love of reading.



Main topics and learning this term:

Topic - Crime and Punishment

Science - Electricity

An exciting opportunity has arisen this half term where we will be learning a brand new history unit: Crime and Punishment. We will look at Crime and Punishment throughout history: from The Romans to Sir Robert Peel and we will compare this to our modern day justice system. We will be sharpening our disciplinary knowledge skills through asking historical questions and looking through a variety of sources.

In Art we will be looking at the artist Yayoi. We will explore her techniques she uses and her bold display of colour. We will then design and create our own sculpture based on Yayoi's artworks.

In English, we will be looking at different text types and writing our own, inspired by the picture book 'The Barnabus Project'. This term we will be looking at a range of writing, but focussing on Non-Chronological reports based on The Barnabus Project. In Guided Reading, we will be applying our comprehension and inference skills to a range of texts. The children have shown us that they have really developed their understanding of language for meaning and we can't wait to see them apply it to their understanding of these classic texts.

In Maths, we will be consolidating our learning of the four operations and applying these to solve longer problems involving measure. We will also be exploring geometry, shape and movement within the next half term.

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.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts is really important. Your child's Times Table Rock Stars and My Maths login details will be stuck into their Home-Link Books. Please encourage them to access these websites.
- Please record any activities that your child undertakes in their Home-Link Book.

Homework:

Homework will continue to be set weekly on a Friday for return on the following Wednesday. Maths and English homework activities will be set on alternate weeks and we will now be sending home additional challenges in Maths that are set at an appropriate level for each child. Please encourage your children to work as independently as possible so that they have the opportunity to apply their school learning to home tasks.

If homework is not completed within the set time, children will be required to complete the tasks during their lunchtime.

Spellings will be sent on the weekly homework letter and Spelling Shed will be used to help the children work on these at home.

A few reminders:

Our PE Days:

6RT - Tuesdays and Thursdays

6RS and 6CS - Mondays and Thursdays

- Please provide a healthy morning snack (<u>fresh fruit or vegetables or pure dried fruit only</u> (not the winders or pieces as these have added sugar) and a named, clear water bottle for your child to help them maintain their energy levels until lunch.
- Our School Library slot is on a Monday every week.