Four Lanes Community Junior School



Year 3 Curriculum News

Summer 1 2024

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Welcome back to our final term of the year.

We hope you all had a relaxing Easter break; the children certainly seem recharged and ready to learn! We have some really exciting learning ahead of us and have lots of opportunities for practical and outdoor learning. Our main topic this term is Europe before moving onto The Romans in the second half of the summer term.

As the weather gets warmer, please ensure that any sun cream is applied before the school day and that your child has a water bottle in school every day.

As always, please come and speak to us with any queries or concerns.

Main topics and learning this half term:



Our key concept this half term is CHANGE

Within the Europe topic the children will research and investigate the countries and their unique cultures, characteristics and landscapes.

Our first English unit this half term is based on the story Varmints. It is a story that has a warning and the children will use the idea of a message story to write their own versions with compound sentences. Compound sentences include a coordinating conjunction, we have been using FANBOYS to help us remember these.



The Science topic this half term is Light. The children will be exploring how light comes from a source and must be available for us to see things. Through investigations we will explore how light is needed to see even shiny materials and objects.

Our Maths learning this half term has begun with learning about capacity and volume. It would be really helpful if you could encourage your child to help with any measuring and reading of scales in the kitchen as this has been something we have been working really hard on. We will then be moving on to learning about the addition and subtraction of **fractions** before learning about money.

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How you can support your child's learning at home:	Homework 24 there is not a second and the second an
 Reading is fundamental to your child's further learning so please listen to your child read at least three times a week regardless of their ability. This should be recorded in their link book so that they can then be tallied as part of our Reading Challenge. Please make use of Times Tables Rock Stars to help your child learn their times tables. There are regular battles for everyone to get involved with and the winners of these receive certificates in WOW assembly each week. 	 Please continue to record your comments on the home learning conversations each day. Spellings will be sent home on a Friday after our spelling lesson each week and will be tested on the following Friday. Times tables will be tested every Friday too. Please hear your child read and discuss their book at least 3 times a week.

A few reminders:

- Home link books must be in school every day please.
- PE will take place on Monday and Wednesday mornings for all of Year 3 this half term.
- Our library time is on a Thursday afternoon. Please ensure that your child has their library book with them on this day to either exchange for a new book or to renew.