

Four Lanes Community Junior School

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter Summer 1 2024



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Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday; it has been really interesting to see how far some of you have been on your travels. The children have come back ready for a new term and are looking forward to all the exciting things that we have planned for them including our educational visit to the British Museum where we will deepen our knowledge of Ancient Egyptians and Ancient Greece.

Finally a huge thank you to the parent helpers who have accompanied us to QMC for our swimming lessons.

Main topics and learning this term:

Topic: Ancient Greece

Science: Circulation and Respiration

In Writing:

We will be looking at writing diaries and balanced arguments linked to a subject we are passionate about. We will honing in our skills of grammar and punctuation to ensure our writing is cohesive. We will also be looking at classical poetry.

In history:

The children will be gaining an understanding of the culture of the Ancient Greek civilisation. The key concepts that we will be covering are:

- contrast and make some significant links between civilizations/ periods studied.
- give reasoned explanations with reference to significant examples of some connections between ways of life in the different civilizations and periods studied.

In Science:

In science we will look at how blood moves around the body and how we take in oxygen from the air around us. We will be ensuring that our disciplinary knowledge is embedded throughout this. We will also look at the how diet and exercise impact the body and the way it functions.

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 and Grammar Bug. If your child has Bug Club, please help them use it.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts is important; MyMaths and TT 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:

Homework will continue to alternate with Maths one week and English the next.

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 cycle starts again on Friday.

Weekly spellings 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 will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays this term. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on these days.
- Our School Library time is on a Tuesday afternoon.