

Four Lanes Community Junior School



Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter Summer 2 2024

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Welcome back!

We hope you all had a fantastic half term. The children have already thrown themselves back in to their work and are enjoying their remaining learning time in Year 4. We have learned more about The Tudors and have made some super fact files about the Battle of Basing House. We are looking forward to Sports Day in a few weeks and are also ready to tackle the last few subjects before we move to Year 5!



Main topics and learning this term:

Oil Paintings

Landscapes

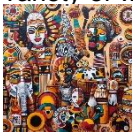
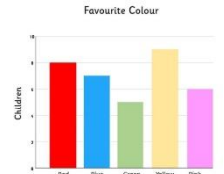
Living Things

In English, we are going to be writing our own Wishing Tales this half term. The children will come up with their own characters and setting and they will think of a wish their character wants. The children will follow a story mountain format of opening -> build up -> problem in which they must think of what problem their character is going to encounter. We are focusing on word classes this half term and making sure children know what word classes are used to build sentences. The children must know the definitions for: determiner, possessive determiner, adverbial and pronoun.



This half term we are continuing to look at living things in Science. The children will build on their knowledge from last half term and continue to research different life cycles. We will look at a range of living things and how their life cycles vary depending on the type of organism they are. The children will then look back at their plants in our veggie beds from last half term to see how they have grown and finish off their investigation questions.

In maths, we are going to continue learning about coordinates and how to plot points and shapes on a grid. We will then investigate how to translate points successfully in order to make shapes on a grid ourselves. Later in the half term, we will move onto investigating charts and graphs. The children will be exposed to different types of charts/graphs and will read and interpret all of them in a variety of ways.



In art we are going to look at oil paintings and different types of oil paintings from a variety of cultures. We will look at Aboriginal, African, Latin American and Indian art in order for the children to compare and contrast the similarities and differences. The children will then create their own oil paintings and compare these to the art they have been researching.

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 remember to log reading in the Home-Link book.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts is imperative in Year 4. Although the children have completed the Multiplication Tables Check, it is important that they continue practising regularly to keep this skill for Year 5.
- Please record any activities that your child undertakes in their Homework Book and ensure these are in school to be checked by their teacher each day.

Homework:

Please continue with the project sheets in your child's homework book based around all of their learning this year. Please try to aim for the 50 points by the end of Summer term.

A few reminders:

- **PE will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays this term.** Please ensure your child comes in wearing their PE kit on these days.
- **Our School Library time is on a Friday afternoon.**