

Four Lanes Community Junior School



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Summer 2015

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Well here we are and it is already the second half of summer term. Only a few weeks to go before your lovely children are 'Secondary School' children! We are very proud of the way they are maturing into being 'secondary ready' and are sure they will enjoy our last busy half term together. We are all looking forward to our residential trip and our Upper School performance at the end of term but we have more learning to do before we get there!



Main topics and learning this term:

An Ancient Civilisation – The Mayans

Respiration system

Our main topic focus is on the ancient civilisation of South America – The Mayans. We will continue learning about this civilisation and how it contrasts significantly with our own world. We will be investigating how the civilisation arose, adapted and fell as a direct result of their actions. Interestingly it will include a consideration of the differences in values placed upon human life and the purpose of work, home- life, writing, mathematics and sport.

We will be exploring the respiration system; finding out how the lungs, heart and muscles work together to keep us moving.

We will be continuing our research into the world of work with more visitors from a range of industries – it has been fascinating so far and we are very grateful to all those who have managed to fit in a visit to share their experiences with us!

In Year 6 we are very aware that your child's time at Four Lanes is coming to an end. We are currently ensuring that your child is fully prepared for their transition to secondary school, liaising carefully with each school.

This year, our Year 5 and 6 joint production will be on the evenings of Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July, with an additional afternoon performance on the Tuesday. We really hope the children can all be involved in whatever way they want. Please do your best to ensure they can attend the evening performances.

After the performance on the Tuesday evening we will be holding a leaver's party – it would be terrific for everyone to be there.

Key dates :

Calshot Residential Visit: 6th July – 10th July

Performance: 20th and 21st of July

Leaver's party: Tuesday 21st July

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

Reading is still fundamental to help your child further their learning, so please listen to your child on a regular basis regardless of their ability.

Constant revision of multiplication and division facts will always be useful and help prepare for secondary school. Please record any activities that your child undertakes in their Home-link Book.

Homework:

Topic based project homework has been set for the half term which is designed to complement and reinforce the work we complete in class. We have already had so exciting projects in to look at – many of them are fantastic!

The children need to earn at least 30 points this term from their grid – which is at least 2 projects.

A few reminders:

- PE may take place on any day this half term. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school each day.
- We always welcome additional help in school so if you have an hour or two to spare then please contact your child's teacher to offer your services. It would be greatly appreciated.