

# Four Lanes Community Junior School

Year 3 Curriculum News

Summer 2 2017



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Only one more half term of Year 3 to go! However, there is still plenty of learning left to do! The children are busy practising for sports day and are looking forward to mentoring the Year 2 children as they come for their transition visits. Although it is getting sunnier, please ensure that your child brings a jumper and/or coat to school each day as the weather is still quite changeable. We have had a super year in Y3 and wish the children every success in Y4.



## Main topics and learning this half term:

Impressionism

Explorers

Electricity

We are continuing with our topic on Explorers this half term. The children will be developing their map and compass reading skills further and will be applying this learning to creating their own maps. We will also be looking at further examples of explorations and the geography of the areas visited, including Mount Everest!



In art we will be painting 'Seascapes' after studying the work of Turner. This will link to our Explorers topic, as well as to our topic in music which is 'The Sea'. Here we will be creating music to represent the sounds of the sea as well as singing sea shanties.

Electricity is our science topic this term and the children enjoyed their hands on practical sessions at QMC earlier this week. They are learning about electrical circuits, the flow of electricity and electrical symbols, following up their QMC learning, back at school.



In English we will be writing a diary as the explorer James Cook which will link with our Explorers topic. In Maths we are going to be focusing on the 4 and 8 times tables and how to use these within our multiplication, division and fraction work. Please keep encouraging your child to learn and practise all their times tables.

Our PSHE topics are changes and people and their work.

**UNCRC article focus:** 29. I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and the environment.

### 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 read on a regular basis regardless of their ability.
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts will always be useful; Mymaths and Woodlands Maths Zone 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:

Weekly homework will alternate between English and Maths this term. Please ensure that all homework books are in on or before Wednesdays. Please read regularly with your child. **If your child has Bug Club, please help them use it.**



### A few reminders:

- PE will take place on Wednesdays and Mondays this term. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school on these days. However it is always useful for their kit to be in every day of the week; just in case.
- Our School Library time is on a Thursday afternoon.
- Date for the diary: 23<sup>rd</sup> June Sports Day, 24<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fair
- Spellings are sent home and tested on Fridays.