



# Four Lanes Community Junior School

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

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### Welcome to Year 4!

Welcome back! We are delighted to see the children back in school with positive attitudes towards learning and ready to start the next year. The children have been determined and very eager to continue their learning. To begin with, we have been exploring each of the School Values in turn and learning about what it takes to be a successful, independent Year 4 learner. Thank you to all children and parents who worked hard over the holidays to complete the Times Tables Rock Stars Challenge. We can see so many of you have been trying really hard. Please remember that our doors are always open and it would be lovely to share positive news with you as well as any concerns you may have. We are very much looking forward to the year ahead!

## Main topics and learning this term:


Anglo-Saxons & Vikings

Skeletons

Our main historical topic this term is the Saxons & Vikings. The children will be learning about a range of interesting aspects of Saxon & Viking Life. During the term the children will be completing a research project linked to Sutton Hoo using a variety of sources.



In Science we will be learning about skeletons through a variety of investigations. We will explore the function and purpose of the bones in our bodies and compare our skeletons to those of the animal kingdom.

 This term we start our English learning with a unit on Fairy Tales. We will be exploring and comparing a number of Fairy Tales in order to eventually write our own. Later on in the term we will be writing a non-chronological report on the Vikings.

In Maths we will be revisiting our place value knowledge before moving on to look at the four operations. The children will benefit hugely from knowing both their times tables and the value of number in different contexts. Later this year, we will be sitting our National Times Tables Check in Year 4. It is vitally important that the children are practising all of their tables on a regular basis through Times Tables Rock Stars on 'Soundcheck'.


1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

Our learning this year is being linked to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The children are already familiar with the rights and are able to share and discuss them. We will be reviewing which of our rights we have learned about at the end of each day.

We will be looking to learn outside of the classroom as well as inside so please ensure children have either coats or sunhats to match our brilliant British climate! Thank you.

**UNCRC article focus:** 29: I have the right to an education which develops my personality, respect for others' rights and 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. They can earn Dojo points for Reading at Home! 
- Constant revision of multiplication and division facts will be key as we work towards our Times Tables Check (more information to come). TTRockstars – Soundcheck is great for practise.
- Please record any learning activities that your child undertakes in their Home-link Book and ensure these are in school each day.

### Homework:

This year the children's main curriculum homework will continue to take the form of Learning Conversations.

This allows each child to consolidate their understanding. Every week the Year 4 team will select areas from the week's learning that we would like your child to share and discuss with you.

### A few reminders:

- **PE will take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays 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 Tuesday afternoon.
- Please keep an eye on Class Dojo to keep track of how many Dojo points your child has received!

