



Monday 13th July 2020– Welcome to Year 5!



Hi Team Birch,
September cannot come soon enough! I am so excited about working with you all and know we are going to have an absolute blast. Bring your fun, your amazing imaginations and all your creativity and get ready to make some fabulous memories together. See you soon, Mrs Makinson 😊

Dear Team Pine,
I am so thrilled to teach you again this time as team Beech. It is going to be a year of fun, learning and full of adventure. I can't wait to see what year 5 has in store for us. Take care and I can't wait to see you again soon.
Love Miss Ali x



Keeping connected

This week we would like you complete the following activities to help your new teacher find out more about you. You can still contact Miss Tobie by email or Twitter until July 17th
samtobie@lhaines.herts.sch.uk

Miss Ali and Mrs Makinson would love to see your completed transition activities. You can contact them on their email below.

mah-noorali@lhaines.herts.sch.uk

beckymakinson@lhaines.herts.sch.uk

Over the summer break please keep in touch via Twiducate!

Activity for Beech: Below is a birthday cupcake that Miss Ali would like you to decorate. Once you've emailed a picture of your cupcake to her, she will be put up on display in your new classroom ready for when you return to school.

Activity for Birch: Mrs Makinson would love to learn a little more about you. Please create an A4 sized 'All About Me' board including pictures, photos and stickers. Remember to tell her important information about you e.g. your name, age, favourite hobby. I have placed an example of an 'All About Me' board below. You can either email Mrs Makinson a picture of your finished board or bring it into school when you return.



We would like you to play a fun game and see if you can trick your new teacher! Can you write down three facts about yourself, two facts have to be true and one has to be false! Eg I have two pets/ I play guitar/ I can do a somersault. Can you send them to your new teacher and they have to guess which statement is incorrect, do you think you can trick them?

Over the summer holidays we would like you to fill in the list below. Is there anything that to have discovered about yourself during this time that you didn't know before? It might be whether you prefer to be alone or in a group? What is your favourite thing to do? How much do you value your friends and teachers? What did you miss the most during lockdown?



During this time, we may not have been able to enjoy the normal things we used to do but it has given us so many opportunities to discover new places and do new things. Can you make a top ten list of recommendations? It could be places to go or activities you have found the most enjoyable over the lockdown period.

Below is a lockdown memory jar – you can use the one below or you could use an actual jar and put the notes inside. It can include your favourite memory with your family, your funniest moment, your favourite moment and the one thing you have learned about yourself during this time.



Zoom Party



Would it really be the end of term without a team party? We will be holding a final Zoom meeting with our current teams to say goodbye before you move onto your new classes. Your parents will receive an email from Mr Gray with the link to your meeting but please see the timings below:

Pine – Wednesday 15th July at 3:00

Palm – Thursday 16th July at 3:30

Make sure that you wear your best party clothes! You may even wish to decorate the background of the room that you'll be setting your device up in with decorations, such as banners and bunting!

If you can think of any fun, virtual party games that we can play during the Zoom party, please let your current teacher know!

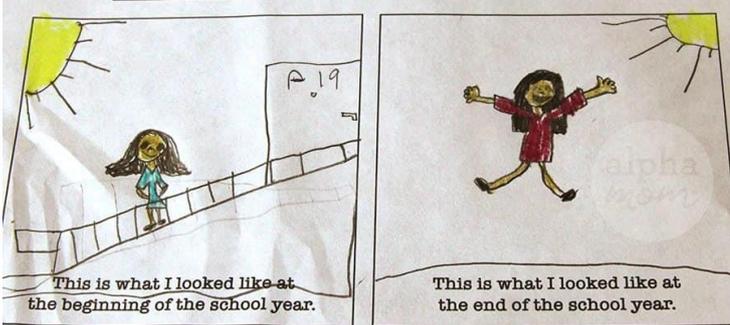
Reflection (Art)



Before you move onto your new team, now would be a good time to reflect on how much you've changed and grown this year. What were your goals when you joined your new class? Were you able to achieve these? How did you do this?

Can you draw or paint two pictures of yourself, one of you at the beginning of the school year and one of you now? How could you show the journey that you've been on? You may have changed physically (e.g. you're now taller than you were at the beginning of the year) but you may have grown in other ways too (e.g. you're much braver than you used to be or you've worked on building friendships)

Here is an example that may help you:



A Guide to Being a Year 4



For many children, moving to a new year group can be a daunting or nerve-wracking experience for them. We would love it if you could help the current Year 3s with their transition to Year 4.

We need you to share with them your top tips for being a Year 4. What are some of the key things that the children will need to know before they join Team Palm/Pine? What do you wish you knew before you joined Year 4?

Please create a leaflet on Purple Mash (please check your assigned tasks) to act as a guide to being a Year 4.

Remember to include:

- A short and snappy heading
- Images linked to being a Year 4 at Laurance Haines
- Subheadings
- Important information e.g. what you need in your pencil case, what you should do if you're finding learning tricky, information about the playground
- Positive language e.g. 'Always...' rather than 'Never...', 'Try to...' rather than 'Don't...', 'Remember that...' rather than 'You shouldn't...'
- Some of the things that you enjoyed learning about or taking part in this year

Once you've completed your 'Guide to Being a Year 4' leaflet, please submit it to your teacher on Purple Mash so that these can be shared with the current Year 3s when they come back to school in September.

A Thank You Message



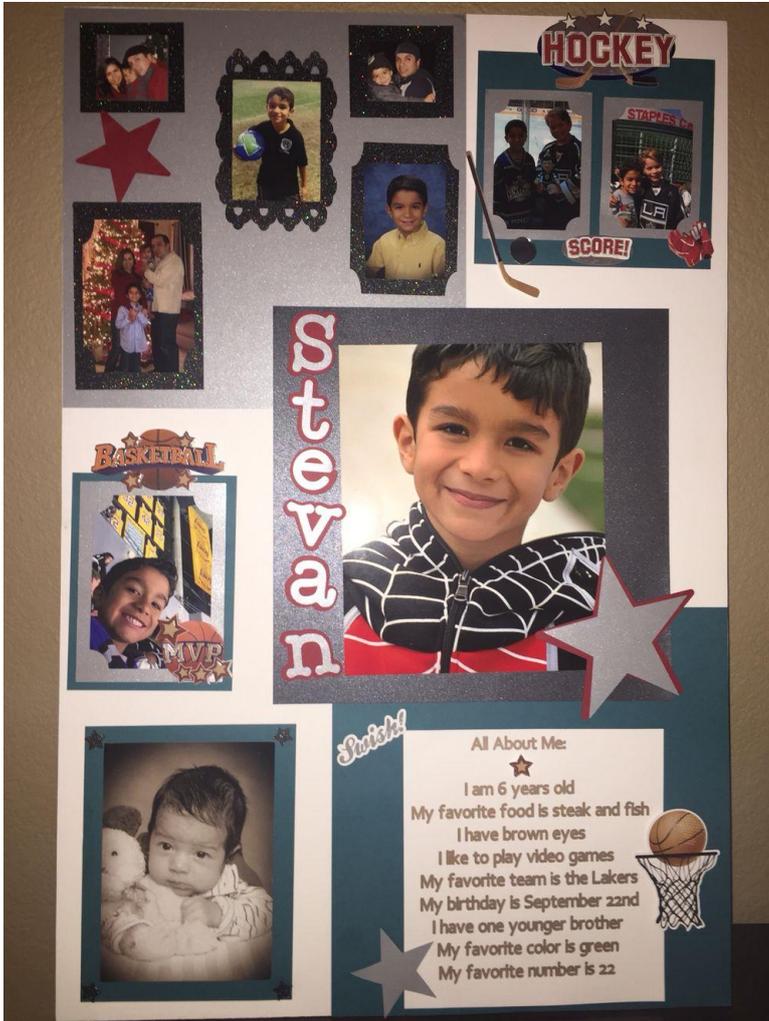
As we near the end of the year, many of you will be thinking about the people at LHS who have made your time in Year 4 a special one. They may have supported you with your learning or maybe they helped you in another way.

Hearing or seeing the words 'thank you' can make someone feel really good! Why don't you take the time to show how grateful you are for that special person being there for you? This person could be a teacher, a TA, Mr Clay or Mr Phillipson, one of the admin staff etc.

Please let them know how grateful you are for their support this year. You could email them, send them a message on Twitter or post them a letter addressed to the school. I'm sure that this simple act of kindness will make their day!

Birch – ‘All About Me’ board

Please create your own A4 sized poster all about you. There are a couple examples below of how you may wish to do this. Be as creative as you can!



Beech - Birthday Cupcake Display

Please decorate your own cupcake ready to put up on our birthday display. Try to make it as colourful as you can.

Remember to include:

- Your name
- The date of your birthday (number)
- Your birthday month

Example:

Birthday cupcakes



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This memory jar belongs to...

With my family...	My favourite moment...
MY BEST MEMORIES	
Funniest moment...	Best thing I've learned...



5 things I've learned about myself...

Do I like to be alone or do I like groups? What's my favourite thing to do? How much do I value my friends and teachers? Who did I miss the most? Did I learn a new skill?



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2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

