



**The Sherwood School
Curriculum Information
Year 5
Spring Term 2026**

Term Dates: 05/01/2026 – 27/03/2026	Half Term: 16/02/2026-20/02/2026	Inset Days: 05/01/2026
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Teaching Staff:

Mrs Sabir and Mrs Philp (Elm Class Teachers)
Miss Kabir (Beech Class Teacher)
Mrs Elango (Teaching Assistant)
Mrs Awais (Teaching Assistant)

Welcome to Year 5!

It is fantastic to see everyone again after the Christmas break. The following information gives an outline of our planned work for the Spring term as well as information regarding your child's homework routine. As part of our Science learning (Earth and Space) we will be visiting the Science Museum on Wednesday 25th **February 2026**. We will include information on to the school website/via parent mail and Google Classroom updating you on Year 5's learning.

English

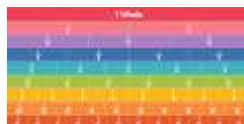
Writing – Our English texts for this Spring term is, **The London Eye Mystery, by Siobhan Dowd and The Princess' Blankets, by Carol Ann Duffy**. The children will have a range of opportunities to write in different genres. For example, writing diary entries, letters, newspaper articles and exploring character descriptions (through drama sessions.) The text will explore themes around empathy and kindness. The children will have opportunities to study the urban environment around London.



Reading – We expect all children to read daily both at home and school. In school, the children will take part in daily guided reading sessions with an adult. We will visit the school library weekly and children will have opportunities to take a reading quiz linked to their chosen book.



Maths - The children will be learning how to multiply and divide numbers using concrete resources. We will also be looking at area and scaling. Children will learn how to add and subtract fractions with different denominators. The children will be taught how to use formal written methods to calculate their answers. In Spring 2, children will be looking at decimals, factors, multiples and primes. They will also be tested on their mental arithmetic and times tables knowledge every week. Homework will now be carried out on google classroom and this will be monitored weekly.



Science – In the Spring term, we will be identifying different types of 'Forces' and studying at 'Earth and Space' We will learn how to identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, which act between moving surfaces. We will also learn how some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. When studying Earth and Space, we will be looking at how the Earth orbits the sun and rotates on its axis. We will also be looking at different moon phases. The children will compare the sizes of the Sun, Earth and the moon.



Computing - The children will be following the 'Purple Mash' scheme of work and learning about Internet safety. The children will use computing lessons to research other areas of the curriculum too.



Humanities - This term in Geography, we will be learning how to use primary and secondary resources to locate different countries and cities found in Europe, North and South America. We will also learn how to identify the different human and physical features found both around us and the wider world. We also be learning about different mountain ranges around the world.



Art & D.T –

This half term, we will be using a range of wet and dry media to create pictures of the London Eye. Children will also be given the opportunities to design and make a London landmark. We will also be designing and making gloves for mountaineers



PSHE - We use the Jigsaw programme to learn about our 'Dreams and Goals'.

R.E. - The children will be learning about Judaism with a particular focus on celebrations.



PE - Children will need to wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. Lessons will take place outside, weather permitting. PE sessions will be taught by PE specialists and class teachers.

Class	PE (Teacher led)	PE (Coach)
5 Beech	Tuesday	Wednesday
5 Elm	Tuesday	Wednesday



French - This half term the children will start by revisiting fruits and vegetables they first came across in the Hungry Giant topic in Stage 1. This time the children will explore going to the market to buy fruits and vegetables and take part in a role play at the market. The children will then follow instructions in a fruit and vegetable recipe.

Through songs, games, native speaker clips, and independent tasks, they will explore the following content, topics and language:



Music – Music lessons are taught by specialist musicians from Merton Music Foundation.

Rights Respecting Schools & Global Goals:

The children will continue to discuss and explore ideas linked to our RRS article of the week. We will also discuss and debate both national and local topical issues



Homework:

Maths & Spellings homework will be sent home via Google Classroom on a **Thursday** and will need to be completed by the following **Thursday**. Please ensure that homework is returned on time.

A half termly homework project is set at the start of each theme and should be handed in by the allocated date.



School Uniform:

Please ensure that your children wear the appropriate school uniform, including formal school shoes. We would also ask that children with long hair tie it back with a simple hair band (black or brown). Please ensure that hijabs are also plain black or brown. We would respectfully ask that all children have a suitable hair style, which is appropriate for school. Children are permitted to wear stud earrings and a watch to school, however, no jewellery should be worn on PE days.

