



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



Term Dates: 7th September – 18th December Trips: Ancient Greece VR workshop	Half Term: 26 th October – 30 th October	Inset Day: Wednesday 2 nd September Thursday 3 rd September Friday 4 th September
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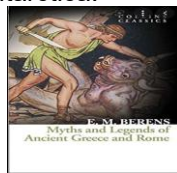
Teaching Staff:
Mrs Sabir (Elm Class Teachers)
Miss Kabir (Beech Class Teacher)
 Mrs Elango (Teaching Assistant)
 Mrs Zahara (Teaching Assistant)

Welcome back to Year 5!

We hope you have all had a good summer break! We are looking forward to a new school year and welcoming the children to Year 5. The following information gives an outline of our planned work for the Autumn term as well as information regarding your child's homework routine. Information will be posted on to the school website and sent out via our new App 'My Child at School', which replaces Parentmail (please contact the office if you need help signing up). Information for the children will be posted on Google Classroom. Please ensure children attend school every day, so that they do not miss out on important learning, which will help them to make good academic progress throughout the year.

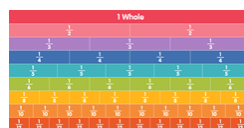
English

Writing - The children will be exploring and learning to write in a range of genres; such as diary entries, narrative writing, letters, newspaper articles, exploring characters (through drama games) and writing recounts. We will be reading a range of myths and legends linked to our theme of the Ancient Greece. We will then focus on a recount of Shackleton's journey to Antarctica.



Reading – We expect children to read daily at home and at school. In school they will take part in guided reading sessions daily. We will visit the school library weekly and children will have opportunities to choose a book to take home.

Maths - The children will be learning to use all four operations using concrete resources. They will also learn how to add and subtract decimals. The children will be taught how to use formal written methods to calculate their answers. They will also be tested on their mental arithmetic and times tables knowledge every week. Homework will be carried out on google classroom and this will be monitored weekly.



Science - This term we will be learning about the human and animal life cycles with a greater focus on how our bodies changes during puberty and describe the changes as humans develop to old age. There will be opportunities to work on activities and watch video clips about the six stages in the human life cycle.

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



Humanities - This term we will be studying about the Ancient Greeks. We will be learning about how the Ancient Greeks influenced the world's civilisation. The children will focus on gaining map-reading skill to locate Greece and its different states. We will also investigate human and physical features using ordnance survey maps.



Art & D.T - We will be developing our sketching techniques by looking closely at Ancient Greek vases. Children will also have the opportunity to experience with different mediums when looking at the ancient Greek mythical creatures.



PSHE – Our focus this half term will be 'Coming Together'

R.E. - The children will be learning about Christianity and different ways of showing faith.



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	Wednesday	Tuesday
5 Elm	Wednesday	Tuesday



French - The children will have French lessons once a week. They will learn basic vocabulary linked to talking about themselves and their likes and dislikes. They will learn more about the country and culture of France.

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 **Wednesday** and will need to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. 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.



We thank you for your continued support and co-operation.
Miss Kabir and Mrs Sabir