



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

Term Dates: 13/04/2026– 20/07/26	Half Term: 25/05/2026-29/05/2026	Inset Days: 13/04/26 20/07/26 Bank holiday: 04/05/26
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Teaching Staff:

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

Welcome back to Year 5!

It is fantastic to see everyone again after the Easter break. We have some exciting events planned for this term. On **Friday 15th May 2026** we will be visiting the Imperial War Museum. We also hope to be visited by local resident Mrs Eileen Oldham, who was an evacuee during WW2, and her daughter to share personal experiences and artefacts with us. In Summer 2, we will be taking part in a workshop linked to our topic of Islamic Civilisation. The following information gives an outline of our planned work for the summer term as well as information regarding your child's homework routine. We will put up to date information on to the school website/via parent mail and Google Classroom updating you on Year 5's learning.

English

Writing – **Our English texts are, My Secret War Diary by Flossie Albright and The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad by Saviour Pirotta**

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.



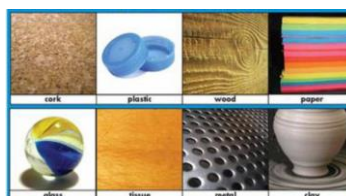
Reading – We expect all children to read daily both at home and school. In school, the children will take part in daily guided reading sessions with an adult. We will visit the school library weekly and children will be encouraged to take a book to read at home.



Maths - The children will be focusing on factors, multiples, primes, fractions, converting units and angles this term. They will be tested on their mental arithmetic and times tables knowledge every week. Homework will be set on google classroom and this will be monitored weekly.



Science - This term, we will be identifying different types of 'materials.' We will learn how to identify reversible and irreversible changes. We will explore the properties of different materials



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 History, we will be learning how to use primary and secondary resources to locate the invasions that took place during World War 2. We will also learn about how the war affected the lives of civilians in Britain. We will also be looking at the early Islamic civilisation including: the significance of Baghdad and the spread of Islam.



Art & D.T –

This half term, we will be using a range of wet and dry media to create pictures of the Blitz. Children will also be given the opportunities to design and build air raid shelters. Children will also explore Islamic art including calligraphy, vegetal patterns and geometric patterns. We will look at the work of the architect, Zaha Hadid.



PSHE - We use the Jigsaw programme to learn about Relationships.
R.E. - The children will be learning about the Christian way of life and Islam.



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	Thursday
5 Elm	Tuesday	Thursday



French - The children will have French lessons once a week. They will learn basic vocabulary linked to 'Space travellers'. This will include describing their identity and naming the planets in French. In Summer 2, we will be looking at vocabulary and phrases linked to the seaside and beach holidays.



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:

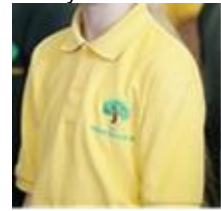
Maths & Spellings homework will be sent home via Google Classroom on a **Wednesday** and will need to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. Please ensure that homework is returned on time.

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.
Mrs Philp and Miss Kabir