

Year 5 would like to say thank you very much for your support so far and look forward to another successful term. We would also like to welcome back Miss Davies from her maternity leave.

With so much going on, we would like to remind you of the importance of homework and daily reading. Maths, English and spelling homework is handed out on Thursday and **must** be handed in on the following Tuesday. Please help your child by sparing a few minutes a day to hear them read and record this in their reading journal and practise their times tables/spellings.

School website

Please use our school website <https://clarendonfederation.co.uk/> for regular updates and copies of letters sent home as well as additional homework opportunities. As well as Times Tables Rockstars, the children can practise their spelling skills with Readwriter and their reading comprehension skills with Reading Eggs. If your child needs a reminder of their password to access these sites, please let your child's teacher know.

We hope you find this booklet useful and are always happy to meet with you and discuss your child's progress over the year. Please feel free to come and speak to your child's teacher if you have any concerns.

Year 5 teachers

Mr Dickie (Tiger Class)
Miss Davies (Giraffe Class)
Mrs Dickie and Miss Newman (Elephant Class)
Mrs Wardle (Upper Phase Leader)

CLARENDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

**Year 5
Spring Term 1 2026**

TAKE ONE ARTIST



*A Cityscape by The Shoreditch
Sketcher*

ENGLISH

In writing, the children will be using a short film called 'The Ocean Maker'. They will be writing a narrative based on the story using relative clauses, consistent past tense and expanded noun phrases to describe character and setting. The children will then turn their attention to writing an explanation text about how the rain making machine works using adverbs for possibility, paragraphs and heading and sub-headings.

SCIENCE

As scientists children will explore different forces including gravity and air/water resistance. The children will continue to develop their knowledge and understanding of predictions and conclusions. They will also record their observations in a variety of ways.

COMPUTING

Within Computing sessions, children will explore physical computing using the Crumble device. This will involve driving two motors with 4 input / output terminals. Additionally, children can connect LEDs, switches and other interesting add-ons.

PSHE

The children will identify how they can make a positive contribution to the community and learn about the law and the consequences of not respecting it. They will also learn about the workings of local and national government and the role of charities and voluntary groups in British society.

MATHS

Children will continue to develop their mathematical understanding of:

- ♦ Fractions, decimal and percentages.
- ♦ Statistics
- ♦ Area and perimeter

We thank you for your continued support in helping your child to memorise and apply their times tables through Times Table Rockstars.

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THEME:

'Take One Artist'
The Shoreditch Sketcher

ART

This term we will be exploring the different media techniques of landscapes and cityscapes. The children will study the art work and techniques from 'The Shoreditch Sketcher' to inspire their own art pieces.

RE

The children will be thinking about the question 'What spiritual pathways to moksha are written about in Hindu scriptures?'

P.E.

PE will take place both indoors and outdoors. Children will continue swimming lessons as well as being taught tag rugby. P.E. kits **must** be brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday - appropriate for the time of year i.e. long trousers / joggers.

HUMANITIES

Geography will focus on the understanding of how mountains, earthquakes and volcanoes work with a greater look at Japanese examples.

MUSIC

Pupils will learn to sing the song Madina tun Nabi, develop their own accompaniment with a drone, chords, and improvisation, and play together with a percussion backing track. They will be developing their 'ear' with lots of echo singing and playing by ear. They'll find out about the type of song called a Nasheed and its connection with the Islamic faith.

MFL

The children will be continuing to learn French and will focus on learning vocabulary that is linked to food and drink. The children will learn how to order a range of different foods in different settings.

HOMEWORK

The children will be given 1 piece of English and 1 piece of maths per week. This will normally be linked to the learning during that week.