

Homework

- Pupils will have written homework in numeracy or literacy on 3 evenings each week usually Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Please remember to check and sign all written homework.
- Spellings & mental maths – Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.
- Revise tables/mental maths and spellings on Thursday for Friday test.
- As a parent we would ask that you work alongside your child for encouragement and support but that you foster independence at every opportunity.
- Please listen to and discuss set reading with your child each evening. Ask your child questions about what they have read to develop comprehension. Encourage children to use taught cues to decipher unfamiliar words (e.g. sound out, look for smaller words within the word, read on and then go back to use the context of the story etc). Also encourage children to look up the meaning of unfamiliar words in the dictionary. Please remember to sign your child's reading bookmark.

Topic work

Pupils in P5 will develop their scientific, geographical and historical knowledge in 3 World Around Us (WAU) topics areas during the year, namely: World War II, Volcanoes and The Romans.

Please read and discuss aspects of these topic areas at every opportunity.

Pupils will also work on their **Thinking Skills and Personal Capabilities (TSPC)** throughout their topic work including: Working with Others, Being Creative, Managing Information, Problem Solving/Decision making and Self-Management. Again please encourage opportunities for your child to develop these skills at home as well. Ask your teacher for ideas if needed.

CHILD CENTRED PROVISION

At Clare Primary School we aim to meet the needs and aspirations of the pupils within the school

We aim to create a warm and positive whole school ethos, reflected in the attitudes of staff, pupils and parents. We also aim to provide a positive learning environment for all pupils where their learning is encouraged and developed within the context of their individual needs, talents and abilities.



PE kit

Pupils are required to participate in PE as a mandatory curricular area. PE kit is navy jogging bottoms, pale blue polo-shirt with our school crest and a navy jumper/ cardigan with school crest and trainers. Please see the Parent Info tab on the school website for details. P5 will be split for PE, your child will have PE on Tuesday/Wednesday.



ICT

Your child will have access to iPads, cameras, computers and interactive whiteboards to support their learning throughout the year.

Trips in P5

In term 3 P5 go on a class trip, there is usually a small cost for this.

Administration

Please try and only send dinner money (£2.60) in on Monday mornings or the first day back after absence. Healthy break provided by Mrs Kelly is to be paid for on a Friday for the full week ahead (£1.20). We operate a Healthy Eating school policy. Please send in healthy items for snack and lunch. The school canteen will serve healthy dinners on these days with chips served once a week.

All policy documents are discussed with the Board of Governors, staff, school council and parents.

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After school clubs and activities

In Clare Primary School we offer a very wide range of after school activities and courses. These include, football, hockey, ICT, netball, cross country, Scripture Union, Dance, Eco, cycling proficiency and athletics. Many of these only operate for Primary 4 upwards. We would encourage you to get your children to participate in the wider life of the school. Contact Mrs Turkington for more information.

Friends of Clare

We will continue to have a Parent Teacher Association in Clare Primary School. We will always welcome new members and helpers for events. Information regarding the Friends of Clare will be on the school website.

If you have any queries please contact the school.

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What to expect in Primary 5

Welcoming all children into a learning environment where they will feel valued, happy and safe.

Information for parents/guardians

Thank you for taking time to read this information on what to expect this year in Primary 5. This leaflet can also be found on the school website www.clareprimary.com under 'Parent Information.' If you have any questions or need assistance please phone Mrs Dillon in the school office on 02838840843 who will put you in contact with the relevant person for your enquiry.



Position	Name
Principal	Miss Shona Lindsay
Safeguarding	Mrs G Martin
SENCO	Mrs H Bennett
Year 5 Teachers	Mrs Bennett (Mon. Tues. and Fri.) / Mrs McDermott (Wed. and Thurs.)
Secretary	Mrs Dillon

SAFEGUARDING in Primary 5

Please read the school policy for important information. In Clare Primary School, we understand that we have a primary responsibility for the care, welfare and safety of the pupils in our charge. This charge is taken very seriously and we always carry out this duty as effectively as possible.

WHO TO CONTACT

If you have a concern regarding the safeguarding of pupils in school please contact:

Designate Child Protection

Teacher Mrs G Martin

Mrs E Fraser(BOG Safeguarding).

PASTORAL CARE in Primary 5

Clare Primary School is committed, above all else, to providing each pupil with the best opportunities to develop his or her full potential, socially, academically, morally, emotionally and physically. If you have any concerns please contact the class teacher or Miss Shona Lindsay.



CITIZENSHIP AND BEHAVIOUR in Primary 5

The purpose of our school's policy for behaviour and citizenship is to:

Encourage and praise good behaviour;
Prevent and discourage inappropriate behaviour;
Deal with inappropriate behaviour in a fair and consistent manner;
Develop behavioural skills in the pupils that will benefit both them and the community in which they live and learn.

Use class 'Good to be Green' board to encourage good behaviour;

Rewards and sanctions all centre around the Golden Rules below:

Do be kind and helpful

Do be gentle

Do listen

Do work hard

Do be honest

Do look after property

UNIFORM

Please see the Parent Info tab on the school website for details.

Numeracy

Your child will have a lot of knowledge and skills to work through in Primary 5. They will need your on-going support. The areas of Numeracy in Primary 5 are:

Number

- Read, write and order numbers up to 10 000
- Place Value
- Add, subtract, multiply and divide within 10 000
- Introduce Long Multiplication
- Understand and use fractions; equivalent fractions.
- Introduce decimal numbers.
- Money: up to £100.00



Data Handling

- Collect and interpret data using bar graphs, pictograms, tally charts, Carroll and Venn diagrams.

Measure

- Time: analogue and digital time; am and pm.
- Length, weight, volume, capacity, perimeter and area using standard units.

Shape and Space

- 2D and 3D shapes – nets, properties, recognition etc.
- Measure right, acute and obtuse angles.
- Symmetry and reflection.
- Grid referencing.

Literacy

There are lots of reading, writing, spelling and grammar books and activities to get through in P5 and this work will also need your on-going support. The main areas are:



Spelling

Pupils will get spellings on Monday night. P3—P7 pupils will complete a variety of activities in school to help them learn the rules for Friday Test. They will need your daily support at home. Speak to the class teacher for strategies for learning.

Reading

Pupils need to read at least 20 minutes each day. Pupils will engage in guided reading activities with the teacher and comprehension development lessons. Please complete any reading homework and actively encourage reading at bedtime/other opportunities.

Writing, punctuation and grammar

The pupils will write in a wide variety of genres including poetry, persuasive, recount, narrative etc linked to their WAU topics. They will also complete activities in an extensive range of grammar activities. Punctuation in P5 will use the following - “” , . ? !

We will be concentrating on correct formation of lower and upper case letters and writing on lines independently.

