



Cassiobury Junior School

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2026

From all the Year 5 Team, we would like to welcome you back for the Spring term. We hope you had a great Christmas break and are looking forward to the new term!

The intention of this newsletter is to provide an outline of the Spring term curriculum so that you can provide support and enhancement at home. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

English

We will be focusing on the development of reading and writing skills across a range of fiction and non-fiction texts related to our topics and book projects. Spelling and grammar are also a big focus this year as writing judgements are made at the end of the year in preparation for Year 6. Spellings are taught as standalone lessons and will link to home learning spellings given out each week.

Success in writing is associated with regular reading. It is essential that your child is reading a range of good quality texts, independently or with an adult, on a daily basis.

Maths

The children will be developing their understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also look at measures, including area and perimeter, 2D and 3D shapes and measuring and identifying angles.

It is essential that children are fluent in all times tables up to 12 so daily practice will help with this. There are many games and apps available which will encourage your child to practise at home.

Science: Over the course of Spring term, the children will learn about: Living things and Animals including Humans.

Geography: We will be learning about climate change, sustainability and pollution.

History: We will continue to focus on Ancient Greece. The children will be learning about Ancient Greek life and the achievements and influence of the Ancient Greeks on Western society.

Design and Technology: The children will be learning how to use flour in a range of different recipes, and using a variety of cooking techniques.

Computing: We will be using physical computing to explore the concepts of selection in programming through the use of micro bits.

PSHE: We will continue with the Jigsaw PSHE curriculum. This term our topics will be Dreams and Goals, and Healthy Me.

Music: Children will continue to learn the recorder from a professional music tutor, in preparation for a concert later in the year.

P.E: Those children that have passed the 25m swimming and water safety award will not continue with swimming lessons in the spring term, they will be learning gymnastics, handball and dance skills

Some children will continue with swimming lessons every Friday.

R.E: Our focus will be Christianity and Judaism this term. We will be learning about belonging to a community, individual commitment and religious leadership as well as religious celebrations, key events in life, communicating beyond prayer and sacred spaces.

Teachers

Mrs Cooper and Mrs Keating– 5 Pine
Miss Evans– 5 Poplar
Mrs Voller – 5 Pear

Please continue to check the weekly newsletter for updates.

Guys and Dolls theatre trip to Rickmansworth School – Wednesday 14th January 2026

Reports out – Wc 26th January 2026

Half term – Monday 16th Feb – Friday 20th Feb 2026

History Ancient Greek Day- Wednesday 25th Feb 2026

Spring Term Ends- Friday 27th March 2026- 1:05pm