



CLARE COMMUNITY  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Oak Class Curriculum Update

## Spring 2026

### Mathematics

This term, we are studying the relationships between Fractions, Decimals, Percentages, and how to convert from one to another. We will look at Ratio and Proportion, as well as using simple formulae to investigate Algebra. We will be measuring and calculating Area, Perimeter and Volume of shapes in geometry. We will continue to consolidate the formal written calculation methods we worked on last term (including column multiplication; long and short division) to solve a variety of reasoning problems, including measures. Please do check your child's weekly Maths homework (sent home on Fridays) for the methods they have learned.

### Time Tables Rock Stars

Please encourage your child to continue taking part in TTRockStars, however good their times tables — there's always a P.B. to beat!

### Topic

Our history topic this term is World War II. There is obviously a wealth of filmed, photographic, recorded and physical evidence to accompany this work, so this is a subject which really engages the children, particularly because it is still sufficiently recent history for some older family members to recall and recount. Please do send in any artefacts, photos or accounts of living through WWII, as first-hand evidence always brings historical topics to life. We will be linking our Art and Design & Technology units to our topic work, preparing a V.E. Day tea party, and investigating, designing and making our own Anderson shelters.

### P.E.

Our P.E. days are now Tuesdays (with Kate Burnham) and Fridays (with me). This term, the children will be working on their dance and Tchoukball skills. Please ensure children have the correct kit, including a hoodie or sweat-shirt and joggers.

### English

This term, we are looking at stories with historical settings, to link with our WWII topic work. We will start with 'Goodnight Mister Tom' as our class text and we will then study Anne Frank's 'The Diary of a Young Girl' in relation to autobiographical writing. These texts will form the basis of our written composition and application of the learned skills of the Year 6 curriculum. These include: selecting appropriate grammar, vocabulary and punctuation; understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning; describing settings, characters and atmosphere; integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action; summarising longer passages.

### Reading

We are keen to repeat our success last term in Reading Assessments! Please do continue to listen to and carefully question your child when they read, in order to deepen their comprehension skills.

### Spellings / Spelling Shed

Children will continue to receive spelling homework this term on Tuesdays, to practise ready for Mrs Stocker's test the following week. We also ask that your child completes 2 weekly sessions of Spelling Shed at home, to further develop their proficiency.

### Science

This term, we will be learning about Light and Light Pollution. We will study how we see things, investigating how light travels and is reflected and refracted. We will find out how shadows are formed and we will plan and conduct an experiment to explain how and why they change in size and position as the Sun appears to move across the sky.

This will link to D&T and topic work.

### Other things to look forward to!

We have confirmed our visit to IWM Duxford on 13th February to tie in with our WWII topic, and of course we have the residential trip to Eaton Vale to look forward to at the very end of the Spring term. Fingers crossed that the snow and cold weather has gone before then..!