



Clarendon School
Primary Centre

Primary News



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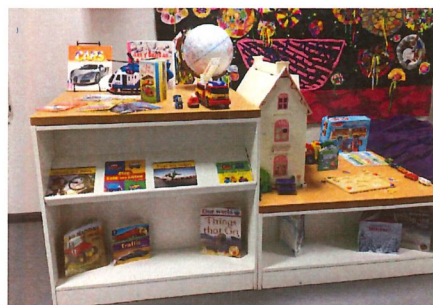
Primary half term theme 'How do I get there?'

Pupils across Clarendon Primary will develop and extend their knowledge and skills across a range of tailored learning this half term. Our broad and balanced curriculum has been carefully designed and mapped out to ensure coverage and progression. The rolling plan of topics gives varied context for learning and provides children with a range of rich and memorable learning experiences.

Cross-curricular planning allows pupils to revisit content and provides further opportunities for overlearning. Although we have whole school 'topics', the planning, learning and delivery differs between classes. This is variation in experiences.

Learning within a topic always ensures that the learning is developmentally appropriate for individual children. Please visit our website

<https://www.clarendon.richmond.sch.uk/> for further details within class medium term plans.



Celebrating Challenges



During assemblies and across Clarendon Primary we have been learning about challenges and how we celebrate these. A number of staff have shared their challenges, including Angela who is going to



climb to Mount Everest Base Camp with her children during the Easter holidays. Jensen, in year 3, proudly put his hand up during assembly to say 'Mount Everest' is the highest mountain in the world. Vicky, Daniela and Sarah are training for the 10k run

in June, raising money for RDA Park Lane Stables, where our pupils go horse riding. Maisie, our Family Partnership Worker, has challenged herself to read two books a month. Various members of staff are excited to be improving their Makaton further, by attending evening Makaton training sessions this term. Everyone is enjoying learning to sing and sign 'The Climb' during assemblies as we look forward to achieving and celebrating challenges.



Therapies

Clarendon pupils have access to a range of therapies to support their learning, delivering therapy as outlined in EHC plans.

Mayah (our Occupational Therapist who joined Clarendon at the beginning of the academic year) and Veronika (our Occupational Therapy Assistant) have worked hard to develop a range of 1-to-1 and group interventions tailored around pupil's needs, as highlighted in the example photos below:



Functional self-care with pupils learning to do buttons and zips.

Sensory circuit: consisting of 3 components:

- Alerting e.g. trampoline
- Organising e.g. managing co-ordination on the balance beam and through tunnels.
- Calming e.g. ball pressure and deep pressure massage.



Swimming

We are currently fortunate to be able to give pupils in our Key Stage 2 Galaxy and Comets classes an opportunity to attend weekly swimming lessons (alternating between classes each half term).

We have had a number of enquiries about swimming lessons out of school, and are pleased to be able to update you about an opportunity at Teddington Learner Pool. Strathmore School are offering a Saturday SEN swimming session for learners and parents in



Teddington Learner Pool once a month (parents are required to go in the pool with their child). The session runs from 12.45pm to 13.45pm. Spaces must be booked 10 days in advance by calling: 020 3772 2999.