## Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

## Autumn 2 2022 Curriculum Newsletter



Class 1/2

	Teacher's Message	Welcome back to the second part of the Autumn term. I hope you all had a lovely half-term break. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am Miss Humphrey and I am the new teacher in Class 1/2. I know that the children were sad to see Mrs Day leave but I am sure that they will get used to me quickly. I am really looking forward to teaching them all. We have an exciting half-term ahead!	
	Homework	Reading: Currently, reading is our main focus for homework.  Phonics groups: The children who are currently part of a phonics group should bring home a bookbag book which you can share together as it will be a new book. They should also bring home a smaller phonics book which they will have read 3 times within their group so should be familiar with. Phonics sessions will start towards the end of this week and you should see books coming home either at the end of this week or the beginning of next week. Please let me know if you have any problems.  Children on AR: Those children that are now reading AR (Accelerated Reader) books need to be reading at home and quizzing in school. Each morning, they will have the opportunity to quiz in school on a chrome book.  Spellings:  Phonics groups: Within the smaller phonics books that the children will bring home, it highlights (circles at the front) the sounds we are focusing on in class, the speedy green words and red words. Please look at these together.  Children on AR and not in a phonics group: These children will receive weekly spellings which will be inline with their weekly spelling lessons. These will be sent home on a Friday.	
	Reading for Pleasure	This week we will be beginning our new class read, 'Can't you sleep little bear?' This is one of my favourites and I am sure that the children will enjoy it.	
	English	This week in English, we will be starting a new unit of work based on adverts. The children will be exploring how adverts are written and how they can be used to persuade the audience. The children will be finishing the unit by writing a persuasive poster for the Christmas Disco.  Before Christmas, we will be completing a second unit of work based on, 'Little Red Riding Hood'.	
2+3=5	Maths	Year 1: In Maths this half term, Year 1 will be looking at addition and subtraction within 10 and then within 20. Year 2: Year 2 will also be focusing on addition and subtraction and money.	

	RE	In RE we are using the Come and See programme and our topic is, 'Signs and Symbols' with a focus on Baptism. Later in the term our topic will be, 'Preparations' where we will be learning about Advent and preparing to celebrate Christmas.	
	Science	In Science we are learning about everyday materials. The children will be thinking about what things are made from and how they are fit for purpose.	
	Geography	Not a lead subject	
	History	For our History we will be exploring how transport has changed over time. The children will be thinking about how travelling on water, in the air, on land and into space has developed and how this has changed people's lives.	
	Art	Not a lead subject	
<b>10</b>	Design Technology	In DT this term we are looking at mechanisms with a focus on sliders and levers. The children will be exploring sliders and levers before they design their own Christmas card with a slider or lever. They will then use their designs to make their own Christmas card which will move!	
	RSHE	In RSHE we will be looking at keeping safe. The children will be thinking about how to ask for help and calling 999 in an emergency.	
	PE	In PE this term we will be playing football and handball. PE will be on a Tuesday and a Friday. Please make sure PE kits are kept in school.	
	Computing	Not a lead Subject	
	Music	In Music this term, the Musical Spotlight is 'Hands, feet and heart' and learning about simple rhythmic patterns on an instrument and having control when playing a musical instrument.	

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		1st November	All Saints Day - Mass in the school hall at 10am	
		4th November	Wear Caps for Cash - raise money for CCRS	
		16th December	End of Autumn term	
		3rd January	Start of Spring term	
@	Teacher contact:	Please come and see me if you have any worries or concerns. If this isn't possible then please contact me through Class Dojo.  Please note that teachers are teaching from 8.30am - 3.15pm. If your contact is urgent please contact the school office office@olsp.uk during the school day.  There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to email or class dojo messages received after 6pm or at the weekend.		