Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter



Class 4 Autumn 1

Teacher's Message	 Hello to all of the lovely parents and carers to the children in Class 4! I hope you all have had a fabulous break and been enjoying this spectacular weather that we have been receiving this summer. Please read on to find out about all the new and exciting learning we will be immersing ourselves into this half term. Here is a photo of myself so you know what I look like. Please come and say Hello if you see me. 		
Homework	Set on Google Classroom every Friday: Spellings: Weekly spellings are set on Spelling Shed each Friday. Each week, the children will receive a list of 10 words which will focus on general Year 4 spellings.		
	Weekly Spelling Tests will take place on Fridays. Please make sure your children are practising their spellings as much as possible.		
	Maths: IXL activities linking to our classroom learning. Please also try and practice your timetables for the Multiplication Tables Check using 'The Maths Factor Timetables Check' and TTRockstars. I will ensure children have been set up for logins. The Multiplication Check won't be happening till later on in the academic year but the earlier this is started with the children the better!		
	English/Reading: An English based task linked to the spellings will be set. Children should also bring their AR books home from school and should try to read at least 5 minutes. They can then quiz on these in school on 'Accelerated Reader'.		
	Homework will be set on Google Classroom on a Friday after school and be due the following Friday.		
Reading for Pleasure	For this half term we will start to read the 'The Boy at the back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Rauf. I have not read this book before but I am really excited to be tucking into this book with the children as I have read the reviews for this book which are great!		
English	This term we are using 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' as our model text for this unit. We had our hook last week and the children are really starting to enjoy and get involved with the story with how Arthur can defeat the evil monster who has invaded the town. The book has great eye-catching illustrations! We will look to start to story map in the coming week and focus on reading skills capturing the interest of the children. We will then look to retell our own part of the stories		

		looking at key features which will eventually lead us to constructing		
		our own quest stories.		
2+3=5	Maths	This term we will be looking at place value. We will be securing our number understanding of rounding to the nearest 10 and 100 when thinking about four-digit numbers. We will also be applying our addition and subtraction skills to four-digit numbers using the column method.		
	RE	We are using the Come and See programme and our topic is people. We will be looking at our own families and how God fits into our family too.		
	Science	This term we will be looking at the digestive system, food chains, teeth and teeth hygiene.		
	History	Not a lead subject this term		
	Geography	For Geography, our topic focus is on Brazil and South America. We will be looking at countries in South America using our map skills thinking about the equator and the prime meridian with how that is structured on planet Earth. We will also be looking at the Andes Mountains and the Amazon Rainforest with how Brazil's physical geography is important to the South American continent. We will be asking Where in the world would I like to be?		
	Art	Our topic focus in art is focusing on Indigenous people keeping in the theme of South America. We will be looking at this topic with how we can make Indigenous pots out of clay with Mrs Emmerton.		
	Design Technology	Not a lead subject this term		
	RSHE	We will be following the 'Life to the Full' programme: This unit of learning involves how children will listen to the Gospel story of Jesus healing Jairus' daughter and how children are created by God out of love.		
C O D	PE	We are learning the skills required for netball and tag rugby tag rugby and Netball during PPA cover. PE will be taken on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. The children have met Mr Selley of Premier Sports who will take the children on Thursday afternoons.		
	Music	Not a lead subject this term.		

	MFL (Y3+)	In Spanish this term, we will be learning about different musical instruments.		
	Computing	We will be looking at online safety.		
	Upcoming dates/events			
M Tu W Th F Sa Su		Week beginning 3rd October	Meet the teacher/First parents meeting	
		5th October	Year 5 and 6 'Train like a Pro' Impact Day and Dragons Den	
		14th October	OLSP Poetry Slam	
		21st October	Harvest Festival led by Year 1 and 2	
		24th-28th October	Autumn Half Term	
		31st October	Inset Day for staff, school closed for pupils.	
		13th December	Reception/Nursery Nativity	
@	Teacher contact:	Istamp@olsp.uk or 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 received after 6pm or at the weekend.		