Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

Half-termly Curriculum Newsletter



Class 5 Summer 2

	Homework	Set on Google Classroom: Homework is posted on Friday and the spelling test will be on the following Friday.
		English: Weekly spellings are set each Friday. Each week, the children receive a list of 10 words which will focus on practising new spelling rules.
		 → Weekly spelling tests take place on Fridays. → Please make sure regular practice takes place. <u>Maths:</u>
		 IXL activities linking to our classroom learning. Please also continue to practise times table fluency using TTRockstars. Login sheets will be sent out via google classroom so you have all the details you need.
		<u>Other:</u> Once a half term a piece of homework linked to our topic will be set. This won't be due until the last week of term, the exact date to be confirmed. This will be set alongside the other homework the first week of each half term.
	Reading for Pleasure	This half term will we continue to read The Hobbit by J.R.R Tolkien as voted by class 5. After this book is completed we will start reading the first Harry Potter book -The philosopher's stone.
R	Writing	The writing focus for the first part of the half term is an explanation text based on the text 'Alastair Humphreys Great Adventures'. Then the children will complete a 3-week block of creative writing.
2+3=5	Maths	Decimals and Geometry The children will continue with Decimals and then move on to geometry for the rest of the half term. The decimals unit builds on children's work in Years 4 and 5 of adding and subtracting whole numbers and multiplying and dividing whole numbers by 10, 100 and 1,000. It also extends to children's work with number patterns. By considering the place value of each digit, children will broaden their understanding of adding and subtracting using formal written methods and of multiplying and dividing decimal numbers. The geometry unit will build on the children's work from Year 4 where they identified properties of angles. They will also be given the grounding to work on the following unit where they will be asked to

		reason about the lengths and angles of quadrilaterals.
	RE	The unit of learning is called <i>freedom and responsibility</i> . This is based on reconciliation where the children will learn how Christians believe that, in Jesus Christ, the world has been reconciled to God. Through and in Christ, every human being is offered the power to reach out in forgiveness and peace, to receive and offer reconciliation.
	Science	Living things and habitats is the unit the children will be focusing on for the rest of the term. This will include a trip to the local nature reserve in Teignmouth to hunt for insects and look at their living habitats. The date for this will be confirmed. The main focus of learning is describing the difference in the life cycles of mammals, amphibians and insects. The children will also describe the life processes of reproduction in some plants and animals.
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	RHE	Our RHE theme of: 'created and loved by God' will continue for the rest of the term. The children are learning about and considering their experiences of change, growth and development. They will learn about the physical changes that boys and girls go through during puberty and how they should respect and take care of their bodies as gifts from God. Then the children will learn about pressures that they may experience from themselves, others and the media. They will develop ideas on how to build resilience through thankfulness, and learn techniques to help them manage their thoughts, feelings and actions to cope with new or difficult feelings such as romance and rage.
	PE	Dartmoor 3 Ball On Tuesdays, the children will be learning and competing in focused PE lessons with Miss Fusco. Swimming The children will continue travelling to Dawlish Leisure centre to complete a swimming lesson each week. This will continue to take place each Friday until the end of term.
	Computing	The children will be looking at being safe online. We will be broadening our understanding of how the internet can impact our well being and how we can protect ourselves and personal information when communicating online.
	Spanish	This half term the children will be learning about 'The Family'. By the end of the unit they should be able to say the nouns in Spanish for members of their family. They will also continue to count in Spanish, to enable them to say the age of various family members and will understand the concept of mi and mis in Spanish.

CONTRACT:	Class 5 Dojo Page. Please note that teachers are teaching from 8.30 am - 3.15 pm. If your contact is urgent please contact the school office <u>office@olsp.uk</u> during the school day. There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to emails or class dojo messages received after 6 pm or at the weekend.
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