Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

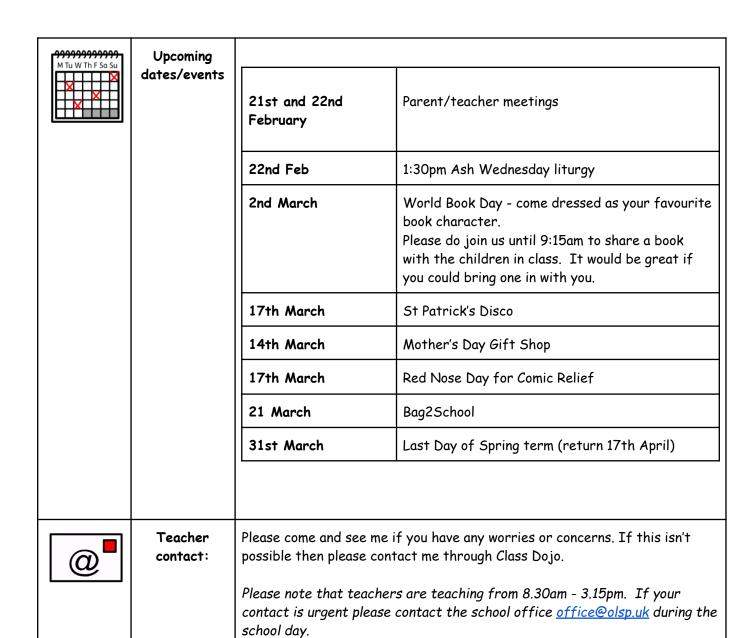
Spring 2 2023 Curriculum Newsletter



Class 1/2

	Teacher's Message	Welcome back, I hope everyone had an enjoyable break. This half term leading up to Easter is looking busy, with opportunities for parents to come in and help if you are available. If you would like to come in and help, you will need to have a DBS check which the office can support you with. They don't take long to complete or to be returned so please do enquire at the office.
	Homework	Reading: Reading will continue to be 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. The children were reassessed before half-term and know their groups for this half-term. 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. These will be sent home on a Friday.
	Reading for Pleasure	Last half-term we thoroughly enjoyed beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith. We will be continuing with this over the next couple of weeks. Next, we will be reading 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. The Hodgeheg Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning to the next couple of weeks. Dick King Smith Could be a provided beginning "The Hodgeheg' by Dick King Smith Could be a provided by Dick King Smith Cou
	English	This half-term in English, we are continuing with our unit of work on the book 'Augustus and His Smile'. We began this before half-term where the children were writing a new version of the story together. Later in the half term, we will be moving onto a non-fiction text called, 'My Day at The Zoo'.
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	RE	In RE we are using the Come and See programme and our topic is, 'Eucharist' with a focus on, 'Why should we be grateful people?'
	Science	In Science, we are learning about plants. We will be learning how a seed turns into a plant, the structure of a plant and what a plant needs to grow and stay healthy. This will include a walk to the nature reserve during Science week (week beginning: 13/03/23) where we will be spotting wild plants.
	Geography	Rivers, seas and oceans will be our focus in Geography this half term. We will be learning the difference between each one and whether humans can use land for whatever they want. This will include a walk down to the back and front beaches of Teignmouth to look at the physical geography.
	History	Not a lead subject
	Art	Not a lead subject
10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	Design Technology	Big question: Which joining technique is best for making a glove puppet? In this unit, the children will be looking at different types of puppets and using different joining techniques to make finger and glove puppets. During our sewing sessions, it would be great to have some adult helpers. Please lookout for dates on Dojo if you think this might be something you could help with. Mrs Emmerton will be teaching DT this half-term.
	RSHE	In RSHE we will be looking at Keeping Safe. The children will be thinking about keeping themselves safe and how to keep their teeth healthy.
	PE	In PE this term we will be learning how to play tennis with Mr Selley on Thursdays. On Fridays, we will be learning through dance with Miss Humphrey.
	Computing	Not a lead subject
	Music	Mr Hopkins will be teaching music this half-term. The children will be singing and having an introduction to many different instruments. They will be working on pulse, rhythm and having fun making music.



There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to email or class dojo

messages received after 6pm or at the weekend.