

Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School






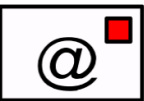


Half Termly Curriculum Newsletter

Class: 1

Summer 1

	Teacher's Message	<p>Hello here is your half termly newsletter. I hope this update will give you a flavour of what we are going to be getting up to in class during Summer 1.</p>
	Homework	<p>Children will be receiving weekly homework on a Friday set on Google Classroom with a link also available on Class Dojo. Each child will be given a handwriting / spelling task, a maths task on iXL that will be linked to the learning in class that week.</p> <p>The first week of each half term there will also be a <u>research based project</u> linked to a foundation subject focus. This can be completed at any time during the half term and provides an opportunity for children to deepen their understanding in a different curriculum area.</p>
	Reading for Pleasure	<p>The children are doing an amazing job of reading and we have so many children on AR now. I hope we can continue this, this half term to really instil the love and need to be good readers. We are going to the library every week where all the children will get the opportunity to pick a book to share with you at home. In class we will be continuing with having an author in focus this half term it will be Julia Donaldson.</p>
	Reading	<p>The children continue to have phonics in their separate groups each morning. They will be bringing home a book-bag-book related to the sound/ focus in their group each week. We recommend you try and read with your child 3-4 times a week to build their confidence and fluency. We are aware after a few times of reading it can seem repetitive but this is an opportunity for the children to practice there inference skills and 'storyteller voices'</p>
	Writing	<p>This half term we will be focusing on telling a story about a journey that will last 3 weeks. Our spotlight text will be the Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson. The children will be sequencing events and having opportunities to virtually explore new places that will also tie in with the story.</p>
	Maths	<p>In maths we will be moving on to numbers to 50! We will be exploring these further by counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and exploring different manipulatives. We will be taking a little look at length, height, weight and volume towards the end of the term.</p>
	RE	<p>In this half term our focus will be on Pentecost and looking at should we have Holydays and Holidays? We will be continuing to have opportunities to discuss our thoughts and opinions and having time to reflect and pray together.</p>
	History	<p>In history this half term we will be looking at Mary Anning and other significant females and how they pathed the way for women to make a difference. Book focus will be Fantastically Great Women Who Changed The World by Kate Pankhurst.</p>

	Art	<p>In Art we will be linking this to our work on Mary Anning in history and using all this knowledge to inspire us to make our own fossils using clay and paints</p>												
	RSHE	<p>In class we will be exploring ideas of what keeps us safe? Who will help us? How do we manage change? We will also continue to look at staying healthy.</p>												
	PE	<p>In one of our sessions we will be focusing on athletics and in our other session will be learning the game of rounders, improving our ball control and learning the skills involved in the game. We will be improving our hand eye coordination and aim within this subject.</p>												
	Science	<p>In science we will begin to explore living things and their habitats asking questions like if a toy moves is it alive? Looking at comparing objects and discussing their qualities.</p>												
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	Teacher contact:	<p>aokane@olsp.uk</p> <p>There will also be a message board outside of class one for any messages you wish to leave or I am available via class dojo.</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p><i>There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to emails received after 6pm or at the weekend.</i></p>												