Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

Summer 1 2023 Curriculum Newsletter



Class 1/2

	Teacher's Message	Welcome back, I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter and enjoyed their break. We have, yet again, another busy half-term ahead of us but I am sure that the children will enjoy all of our new learning.		
GEN CONTRACTOR OF CONTRACTOR O	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 the end of 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 spelling, punctuation and grammar homework. This will be sent home on a Friday.		
	Reading for Pleasure	Last half-term we thoroughly enjoyed reading most of "The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark' by Jill Tomlinson. We will finish this before starting our new book. Next, we will be reading 'The Giraffe and The Pelly and Me' by Roald Dahl.		
	English	This half-term in English, we will be beginning a new unit of work based on the book, 'Tell Me a Dragon' by Jackie Morris. This book includes some beautiful descriptions and the children will be using this to develop their own descriptive writing.		
2+3=5	Maths	Year 1: In Maths this half term, Year 1 will be looking at fractions, positions and directions and numbers to 100. Year 2: Year 2 will be looking at fractions, positions and directions and time.		

	RE	In RE we are using the Come and See programme and our topic is, 'Spread the word' with a focus on Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News.	
	Science	In Science throughout the whole of the summer term, we are learning about animals including humans. We will be identifying, naming and grouping a variety of animals. In addition to this, we will be learning that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. Later in the term, we will be thinking about the basic needs of animals, including humans.	
	Geography	Not a lead subject	
	History	In History we will be learning how communication has changed throughout time. The children will begin by learning about early writing systems. They will then look at the inventions of telegraphs, morse code, the telephone and the world wide web.	
	Art	Mrs Emmerton will be teaching the children in Class 1/2 for Art. They will be experimenting with and applying a range of techniques for collaging. This will include cutting, tearing, layering and superimposing before adding other marks and colour to represent an idea.	
10	Design Technology	Not a lead subject	
	RSHE	In RSHE this half term, we will be learning about the human life cycle and celebrating how we have already changed and grown. During the first week, could you please send into school a named baby photo of your child. We will need these in school for a couple of weeks and then I will send them home. Later in the half term, we will be reading the story of The Good Samaritan and thinking about the concept of the Trinity - God as a three in one community of love.	
	PE	In PE this half term we will be taking part in athletics activities with Mr Selley on Thursdays. On Fridays, we will be playing some striking and fielding games with Miss Humphrey.	
	Computing	During our computing lessons this half-term, the children will be learning about animation. They will begin making a short stop motion with small changes between images and then create an animation with two animated objects.	
	Music	Not a lead subject. However, Mr Hopkins will be teaching Class 1/2 for two sessions this half term, where they will be singing and continuing to play many different instruments.	

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		5th May pm	Coronation celebrations	
		9th June	Teignmouth festival musicians performance	
		5th July	Sports Day	
		7th July	OLSP's BBQ	
		12th July	Y6 transition day at TCS OLSP meet your new teacher day.	
@	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.		