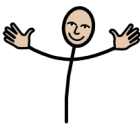
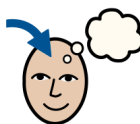












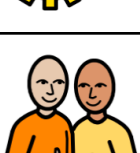

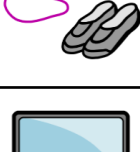


# Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School



## Spring 1 2024 Curriculum Newsletter

### Class 3

	<b>Teacher's Message</b>	<p>Hi All,</p> <p>Hope you had an amazing Christmas. Hopefully you've been spoiled rotten and you're refreshed and raring to go again. We have some amazing topics this term so I'm really looking forward to teaching them and can't wait to see you all back. Mr Mason</p>
	<b>Homework</b>	<p><b><u>Set on Google Classroom:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Spellings:</u></b> Weekly spellings are set on <b>Spelling Shed</b> each Friday. Each week, the children receive a list of 10 words which will focus on practising new spelling rules.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <b>Weekly spelling tests take place on Fridays.</b></li> <li>→ <b>Please make sure children are practising spellings daily where possible.</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>English/Reading:</u></b> A writing based task linked to the weekly spellings will be set. Children should also bring home their AR books from school and try to read daily for at least 5 minutes. They can then quiz on these in school.</p>
	<b>Reading for Pleasure</b>	<p>The Accidental Mayor by Tom McLaughlin</p> 
	<b>English</b>	<p>We will be finishing off our 'How to trap a dragon' and then moving onto a Pie Corbett text called 'Adventure at Sandy Cove.' Another narrative story for the children to use dialogue in their stories.</p>
	<b>Maths</b>	<p>In our maths lessons this half term we will be continuing multiplication and division with a focus on 3, 4 and 8 times tables. So get practising because we'll be moving onto column multiplication once your secure.</p>
	<b>RE</b>	<p>In RE this term, it's branch 3 of the RED curriculum which is Galilee to Jerusalem. This branch is about the Kingdom of God which is not a place but a way of living and relating to each other. Each area adds to our understanding of the values we need to hold and the way we need to</p>

		live to bring about the Kingdom.
	<b>Science</b>	In Science we will be looking at Rocks and the formation of rock faces and fossils. How are rocks different from each other? How do gemstones form and why are they different to other types of rock? And what information can be obtained from looking deep below the Earth's surface?
	<b>Geography</b>	Not a lead subject
	<b>History</b>	For our History we will be exploring the Ancient Sumer (the earliest known civilization, from c. 5300 BC to c. 1940 BC), Indus Valley (3300-1300 BCE) and Shang Dynasty (1600 to 1050 BCE) civilisations. Which early civilisation had the greatest achievements and what are the requirements of becoming a civilisation.
	<b>Art</b>	In Art, we will be looking at Picasso and his abstract portraits with a view to create our own abstract portraits towards the end of the term. Asking ourselves questions along the way about why he did what he did and linking it to expressions and different pencil techniques to create detail for expression.
	<b>Design Technology</b>	Not a lead subject
	<b>RSHE</b>	PSHE will support children to understand a more complex appreciation of different family structures, develop healthy relationships with family and friends and learn some strategies to use when relationships become difficult. Teaching also covers how to recognise discrimination and bullying, both physical and emotional. Children will learn strategies to develop resilience and resist pressure.
	<b>PE</b>	In PE this term we will be doing Fitness related activities with myself and Gymnastics with Premier Education who each hold level 2 British Gymnastic qualifications so I'm looking forward to seeing some fantastic gymnastic sequences and balances.
	<b>Computing</b>	In Computing, we will be looking at emailing and the advantages and disadvantages of electronic mailing. The children will be looking at
	<b>Spanish</b>	In Spanish we will be looking at greetings, colours, numbers and general conversation.
	<b>Music</b>	



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*Please note that teachers are teaching from 8.30am - 3.15pm. If your contact is urgent please contact the school office [office@olsp.uk](mailto: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.*