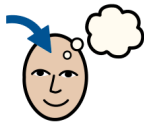

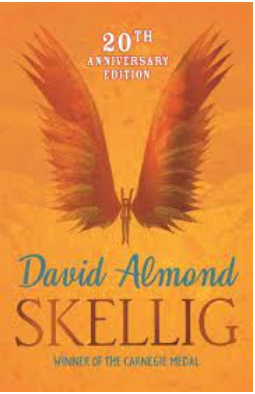




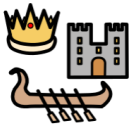








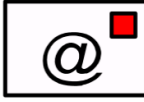
	Teachers' Message	<p>Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope you were able to enjoy time with your families and we bring in the new year well rested and with hope for a peaceful future.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to one of us at the beginning or end of the school day. We are both also available through our ClassDojo if this is easier.</p> <p>Mrs Mullane and Mrs Compton-Stewart</p>
	Homework	<p><u>Spellings will be posted on a Monday and the spelling test will be on a Friday.</u></p> <p><u>English:</u> Weekly spellings are set each Monday. Each week, the children receive a list of 10 words which will focus on practising new spelling rules. The spellings will be uploaded on Class Dojo and a copy will be sent home for the children to practise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ Weekly spelling tests take place on Fridays. ➔ Please make sure regular practice takes place. <p><u>Maths:</u> Pupils will be learning their times-tables whereby they will have a particular set of tables to focus on each week. I will post more information about this in due course later on in the term.</p>
	Reading for Pleasure	<p>We shall continue to read Skellig by David Almond.</p> 
	English	<p>This half term, the children will be exploring 'Flood' and developing their skills in writing their own version using adventurous vocabulary with a focus on atmosphere. We shall be developing dialogue and how to convey information concisely.</p>

		The children will also be focusing on the technical writing skills of using speech punctuation to go with their written dialogue, and also appropriate paragraphing.
	Maths	In maths, the children will continue with developing and understanding fractions. We will also be focusing on times table fluency. In the latter part of the term we shall revisit multiplication and division.
	RE	<p>Throughout RE, all children follow the 'Come and See' programme. We will be starting the new unit on 'Mission'</p> <p>We will ask :</p> <p>What inspires people in their mission?</p> <p>What are the joys and demands of engaging in a mission?</p> <p>What unites Christian communities?</p>
	Science	<p>In science, the children will be learning about living things - particularly, life cycles. The big question we will be focusing on is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the circle of life? <p>They will learn about the differences in life cycles between different species of animals.</p>
	History	For history this term, the children will be learning all about Roman Britain. We shall be working through the changes from the Celtic society to Roman.
	Geography	Not a lead subject this term.
	Art	This term we shall be investigating Viking Art and creating examples learning new techniques including some clay work.
	Design Technology	Not a lead subject this term.
	RSHE	<p>This half term in PSHE, the children will be visited by a local police officer and learn to be the school's 'mini police'!</p> <p>They will learn about the role of the police and the law and will consider how they could make improvements within the school. They will even have some uniforms!</p> <p>This will fit alongside our 'Life to the Full' PSHE programme that we follow at OLSP.</p>
	PE	<p>In PE, the children will be developing gymnastic skills and fitness.</p> <p>PE will continue to be taken on a Tuesday and Thursday.</p> <p>Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit on these days and it is</p>

		clearly labelled with their first name and surname.
	Music	For music, the children will be taught by Mr Hopkins on a Thursday morning. The children will be learning how to play different musical instruments together collectively.
	MFL (Y3+)	In Spanish, Mrs Emmerton will be teaching the children on a Tuesday afternoon. The children will be learning about family.
	Computing	Not a lead subject this half term.
	Teacher contact:	<p><i>Please come and see me if you have any worries or concerns. If this isn't possible then please contact me through Class Dojo.</i></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 email or class dojo messages received after 6pm or at the weekend.</i></p>