Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

Summer 2 2025 Curriculum Newsletter



Mars Class

	Teacher's Message	Welcome back to our final half term! I can't believe we are on the final stretch, where has the year gone! We have lots of fun and exciting opportunities planned for the children, which I am sure they will thoroughly enjoy! As mentioned in the last newsletter, due to the last half-term being so short, most of the following learning will start in the next couple of weeks, once we have finished all of our topics from the last half-term.	
	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. 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	Firstly, we will finish "The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark' by Jill Tomlinson, which the children are really enjoying. Later in the half-term, we will be finishing the year with some of the children's personal favourites.	
	English	This half-term in English, we will be beginning a new unit of work based on the book, 'Goldilocks and just one bear' by Leigh Hodkinson. This is a fun book which will give the children the opportunity to write their own version of the story.	
2+3=5	Maths	Year 1: In Maths this half term, Year 1 will be learning about numbers to 100, money and time. Year 2: Year 2 will be looking at time, problem solving, position and direction and statistics.	

	RE	In RE, our focus will be: Dialogue and Encounter where the children will have the opportunity to learn about Judaism.	
	Science	In Science throughout the whole of the summer term, 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 our trip to Stover.	
	Geography	Hot and cold desserts will be our focus in Geography this half term. The children will be thinking about the difference between weather and climate and what the climate is like in the Sahara Desert and Antarctica.	
	History	Not a lead subject	
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40°	Design Technology	The children will be thinking about which methods they can use to make different foods smaller. Once they have established this, they will use these new skills to design and make a fruit or vegetable salad using more than one fruit or vegetable for a healthy snack.	
	RSHE	In RSHE this half term, we will be learning about how to keep safe in the sun, how to keep safe on the beach, how to get help in an emergency and transitions.	
	PE	In PE this half term we will be taking part in athletics activities with Mr C on Fridays. On Thursdays, we will be taking part in some striking and fielding activities with Miss Humphrey.	
	Computing	During the children's computing lessons this half-term, they will be learning about programming with Mr Hopkins.	
	Music	Not a lead subject.	

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		2nd June	INSET Day (No Pupils)	
		20th June	4pm - 8pm School Barbecue	
		25th June	10am Sports Day	
		26th June	Reception and KS1 Class visit to Stover	
		23rd July	Last Day of Summer Term	
@	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.		