


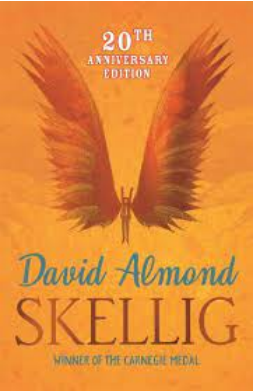



# Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School




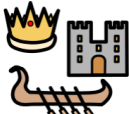








## Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter



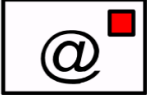
**Class 5 - Neptune**  
**Spring 2 2024**

	<b>Teachers' Message</b>	<p>Welcome back to OLSP for our second half of the Spring term.</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>
	<b>Homework</b>	<p><b><u>Spellings will be posted on a Monday and the spelling test will be on a Friday.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>English:</u></b> 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> <p>→ <b>Weekly spelling tests take place on Fridays.</b> → <b>Please make sure regular practice takes place.</b></p> <p><b><u>Maths:</u></b> 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>
	<b>Reading for Pleasure</b>	<p>We shall be finishing Skellig by David Almond at the start of this half term.</p> 
	<b>English</b>	<p>This half term, we will be looking at the text 'Are humans damaging the Atmosphere?' and completing a 4 week sequence on writing extended pieces. The children will focus on sentence and clause structure and maintaining a formal tone.</p>



	<b>Maths</b>	<p>In maths, we will be beginning our third unit of fractions before moving on to a three week block of decimals and percentages.</p>
	<b>RE</b>	<p>Throughout RE, all children follow the 'Come and See' programme. We will be starting the new unit on 'Eucharist'</p> <p>We will ask :</p> <p>Why are memories important?</p> <p>How can we keep memories alive?</p> <p>What is a memory?</p>
	<b>Science</b>	<p>In science, the children will be learning about Earth and Space!</p> <p>The big question we will be focusing on is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why does the Sun go at night?</li> </ul> <p>The children will learn about the planets and how they move in the solar system.</p>
	<b>History</b>	<p>Not a lead subject this half term</p>
	<b>Geography</b>	<p>This half term the children will be learning 'Investigating Water' and learning about the water cycle and how the amount of water around the world is constant.</p>
	<b>Art</b>	<p>Not a lead subject this half term.</p>
	<b>Design Technology</b>	<p>This half term, the children are focussing on a new and exciting STEM project based on designing and making robots!</p>
	<b>RSHE</b>	<p>This half term, the children will be learning about managing money. They will learn about earning and spending, and the risks associated with money.</p>
	<b>PE</b>	<p>In PE, the children will be practising dance and tennis on Tuesday and Thursday.</p> <p><b>Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit on these days and it is clearly labelled with their first name and surname.</b></p>
	<b>Music</b>	<p>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.</p>



	<b>MFL (Y3+)</b>	<p>In Spanish, Mrs Emmerton will be teaching the children on a Tuesday afternoon. The children will be learning about family.</p>
	<b>Computing</b>	<p>Not a lead subject this half term.</p>
	<b>Teacher contact:</b>	<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 <a href="mailto:office@olsp.uk">office@olsp.uk</a> 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>