## Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School





## Moons Class

Teacher's Message	Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term at OLSP! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a restful break.  We have an exciting half term planned for the children, which is detailed below. We are looking forward to meeting all of you!  Mrs Mullane and Mrs Brooks
Homework	Reading: Reading will 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 assessed before the end of the year 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	This half term as a class, we will be reading a selection of wonderful stories together. These will include:    Tiddle   PRILLIANSE   P
English	In English this half term, we will be reading and exploring the wonderful book 'The Lion Inside'.  INSIDE  The book is all about preconceptions we may have (ie/ lion - brave, mouse - scared!) and challenging these ideas, as well as facing fears.  The children will be writing descriptive sentences and progress towards

		writing their own narrative about a mouse.	
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	RE	In RE, we will be beginning a new unit called 'Galilee to Jerusalem'. The focus of this branch is for children to develop an understanding of the ministry of Jesus and the word of God. The will learn about Jesus' life, and what it means to follow Him.	
	Science	In Science this half term, the children will be learning all about different everyday materials and their properties.	
	Geography	Not a lead subject this half term	
	History	In history, the children will be learning about communication and early methods of making contact with others. This will include learning about the progression from early writing, to the telegram, the invention of the telephone, and finally the internet.	
	Art	This half term, the children will be making sculptures using clay! They will explore the purpose of sculpture and have a go at making their own decorative pieces.	
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	RSHE	In RSHE, the children will be learning about themselves and their bodies, with a focus on keeping healthy. This will include mental wellbeing and encouraging the children to think about how to articulate their own feelings and manage them when things can feel overwhelming.	
	PE	The children will have two PE lessons a week and will need to make sure that they have their PE kits available in school. PE will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays. This half term, the two topics will be fitness and gymnastics.	
	Computing	In computing this half term, the children will be learning about programming and following exact instructions.	

	Music	Not a lead subject this half term		
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		6th January 2025	Beginning of Spring Term	
		17th February 2025	Half Term Holiday begins	
		24th February 2025	INSET Day (No Pupils)	
		4th April 2025	End of Spring Term	
		22nd April 2025	Beginning of Summer Term	
		5th May 2025	May Day Bank Holiday	
		26th May 2025	Half Term Holiday	
		2nd June 2025	INSET Day (No Pupils)	
@	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 in the evenings or at the weekend.		