

Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

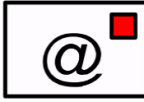


Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

Class 3 - Saturn Class
Autumn 1 2025

	Teacher's Message	Hello to all of the parents and carers to the children in Class 3! I hope you all have had a fabulous summer holiday. Please read on to find out about all the new and exciting learning we will be immersing ourselves over this half term. Here is a photo of myself so you know what I look like in case you do not know who I am. Please come and say hello if you see me! 
	Homework	<u>Homework is posted on a Monday and the spelling test will be on the following Monday.</u> <u>English:</u> Weekly spellings are set each Monday. Each week, the children receive a list of 5/6 words to start. The list will gradually increase as the children learn more spellings. The spellings will be uploaded on Class Dojo and a copy will be sent home for the children to practise. → Weekly spelling tests take place on a Monday. → Please make sure regular practice takes place. I will warn parents when I start this. I would like the children to settle in the class first before setting any spellings.
	English	Children will be reading and following '<i>Coming to England</i>' by Floella Benjamin. They will learn how to write letters, focusing on layout, greetings and endings. Pupils will practise by writing their own letters to people in different places. 

		The children will have regular handwriting practice in class each week to ensure they are attempting to join their letters correctly and fluently.
	Maths	This term, children will begin with place value within 1,000, building confidence in reading, writing and understanding numbers up to 1,000. They will then move on to addition and subtraction, developing their skills with larger numbers. These units build on the work covered in Year 2 and will provide the foundation for later topics such as multiplication, division, fractions and measurement.
	RE	In RE, the children will be learning from the Religious Education Directory (RED). The unit is called Creation and Covenant which will take a look into Holy day and the image of God.
	Science	In Science we are learning all about animals and humans including things like how we get our energy, the relationship between bones and muscles and all the differences in skeletons that animals and humans possess.
	History	During history this term, we will be looking at the stone age to the iron age and looking at how the developments of technology over time shaped our current civilisation today.
	Geography	Not a lead subject this term.
	Art	For art, pupils will be looking into the Stone age and designing their own clay pots. They will be learning about a range of different Stone age tools and will be decorating them using clay tools.
	Design Technology	Not a lead subject for this term.
	RSHE	Within RSHE and PSHE, the children will be following the 'Life to the Full' programme. The unit of learning will be teaching the children about the Gospel story of Jesus with how we should be looking after one another with how we can do that inside and outside of school. In addition, pupils will also be learning about the importance of healthy living. This unit involves handwashing and bacteria as well as expressing everyday feelings and how we can control them.

	PE	In PE, the children will be alternating between different focuses each week which will include a variety of ball skills and invasion games. The invasion skills will range from throwing and kicking a ball as well as bouncing and catching in a variety of different ways. PE will be taken on a Wednesday for a 2-hour session. *Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit on these days and it is clearly labelled with their first name and surname.
	Music	This term, our focus in music is <i>Writing Music Down</i>. The children will begin exploring music notation, learning how sounds can be written and read. We'll be using an online piano to support this learning, and may also introduce the recorder if appropriate for the group. Music lessons will be taken by Mr Hopkins on a Friday afternoon.
	MFL (Y3+)	In Spanish, the children will be learning about the language of Spanish and a variety of different everyday Spanish vocabulary. These sessions will be taken by Mrs Emmerton on a Friday afternoon.
	Computing	Not a lead subject this term.
	Teacher contact:	<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> <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> <i>There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to an email or class dojo message received after 6pm or at the weekend.</i>