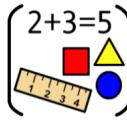
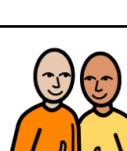




## Moons Class

	<b>Teacher's Message</b>	<p>Welcome back to OLSP :)</p> <p>We hope you have had a wonderful half term.</p> <p>This is a busy half term with lots of exciting things planned!</p> <p>As always, please don't hesitate to ask any questions or pass on messages at the door or on our Class Dojo.</p>
	<b>Homework</b>	<p><b>Children starting in reception will not be bringing home phonics books until they have moved past learning their initial sounds. For some children, this may start this half term, but for many it won't start until after Christmas.</b></p> <p>For now, please enjoy sharing books with your child. We have books available at our office if you are in need of more texts.</p> <p><b>Reading:</b> Reading will be our main focus for homework.</p> <p><b>Phonics groups:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Children on AR:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Spellings:</b></p> <p><b>Phonics groups:</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Children on AR and not in a phonics group:</b> These children will receive weekly spelling, punctuation and grammar homework. This will be sent home on a Friday.</p>
	<b>Reading for Pleasure</b>	<p>This half term as a class, we will be reading a selection of wonderful stories together. These will include:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> </div>

	<b>English</b>	<p>This half-term in English, we will be beginning a new unit of work based on the book, 'I'm going to eat this ant'. We will explore the text using role play and drama and learn lots of new vocabulary. The children will learn to retell the story and summarise the information. Some children may be able to use their phonics learning to start writing some words.</p>
	<b>Maths</b>	<p>In Maths this half term, Reception will be learning to make number bonds to 5 and add 'one more' on to numbers. They will also start to explore some more shapes and think about spaces and patterns.</p>
	<b>RE</b>	<p>In RE, we will be beginning a new unit called 'Prophecy and Promise', where the children will learn about Mary being chosen by God to be Jesus' mother. The children will learn all about the nativity story and about advent.</p>
	<b>Science</b>	<p>In Science this half-term, we will be continuing to learn about the human body by doing lots of drawing and playing games like 'Simon says' and singing songs such as 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'.</p>
	<b>Geography</b>	<p>In Geography, we are going to be thinking about our homes, school and local area and how we can look after these places. We will go on an investigation around the school to spot and pick litter and think about planting bulbs for Spring.</p>
	<b>History</b>	
	<b>Creative arts</b>	<p>The children will be practising joining skills to make small houses. They will also have lots of time to enjoy drama, role play and dancing.</p>
	<b>RSHE</b>	<p>In RSHE we will be learning about hygiene, specifically hand washing and teeth brushing.</p>
	<b>PE</b>	<p>The children will have 2 PE sessions a week, although the days may be more flexible at this time of year with the weather and hall usage! Some of these sessions may include yoga or dance within the classroom. Children will practise gross motor skills such as throwing, running and jumping, as well as fine motor skills.</p>
	<b>Music</b>	<p>In Music this term, the children will be practising our nativity songs with Mrs Newton-Browne on Wednesday afternoons, as well as on various other days with the class teachers!</p>



**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](mailto: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.*