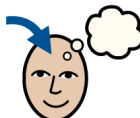













	<p><b>Teacher's Message</b></p>	<p>Welcome back, I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter and enjoyed their break. We have, yet again, another busy half-term ahead of us but I am sure that the children will enjoy all of our new learning. This is only a short one, so we may continue some of our learning into the next half-term.</p>
	<p><b>Homework</b></p>	<p><b>Reading:</b> Reading will continue to be our main focus for homework.  <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.  <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.  <b>Spellings:</b>  <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.  <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>
	<p><b>Reading for Pleasure</b></p>	<p>After reading several longer books earlier in the year, this half-term we are going to enjoy some shorter, classic reads.</p> 
	<p><b>English</b></p>	<p>This half-term in English, we will be reading and working on the book 'The Last Wolf' by Mini Grey. The children will be working towards writing a letter in role whilst persuading characters to save the trees.</p>
	<p><b>Maths</b></p>	<p>Year 1: In Maths this half term, Year 1 will be looking at multiplication and division, fractions and position and direction.          Year 2: Year 2 will be looking at fractions and completing their year 2 SATs.</p>

		These are non-statutory and used as assessment for the end of year. No pressure is put on the children and it will just be like taking any other assessment. <a href="#">Optional key stage 1 national curriculum tests: information for parents - GOV.UK</a>
	<b>RE</b>	The "To the Ends of the Earth" curriculum in the Catholic RED program focuses on the transformative events following the Resurrection and Ascension, including the coming of the Holy Spirit and the missionary work of the apostles.
	<b>Science</b>	In Science this half-term, we are learning about animals including humans. This unit of work is visited twice throughout key stage 1 but the focus is different. During this unit, we will focus on the structure of animals and humans and think about our senses. This will include some fun experiments which I know the children will enjoy.
	<b>Geography</b>	In Geography we will be comparing different homes around the world. We will be learning about Inuit people, Yanomami people of the Amazon, Mongolian people living a nomadic way of life, Maasai people living in Kenya and Berbers that live underground in Tunisia. Throughout this unit, we will be comparing these homes to our own whilst thinking about the continents that these people live in.
	<b>History</b>	Not a lead subject
	<b>Art</b>	This half term, the children will be exploring the colours and patterns of the African landscape and native tribes. We will be creating African patterns, exploring the Maasai culture and their amazing homemade jewellery, and making and decorating tribal masks and water jars. This will be a super link between our Geography and Art this half-term.
	<b>Design and Technology</b>	Not a lead subject
	<b>RSHE</b>	In RSHE this half term, we will be following the Ten:Ten life to the full modules. We will be thinking about British Values, our communities and neighbours.
	<b>PE</b>	The children will have two PE lessons a week and will need to make sure that they have their PE kits available in school. On Thursdays, PE will be with Miss Humphrey with a focus on net and wall games. On Fridays, it will be with Premier Sports focusing on athletics.
	<b>Music</b>	Not a lead subject



**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.*