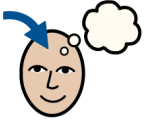


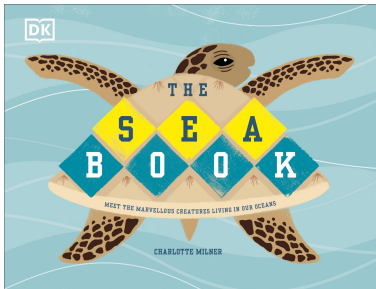
Our Lady and St Patrick's RC Primary School

Autumn 1 Curriculum Newsletter

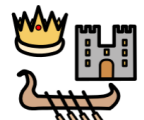
Class 3 - Jupiter Class
Autumn 1 2026

	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. My name is Miss Moni and I am very excited to be teaching year 3 this year! Please read on to find out about all the new and exciting learning we will be immersing ourselves over this half term. Please come and say hello if you see me! 
	Homework	<u>Homework is posted on a Friday and the spelling test will be on the following Friday.</u> <u>Spelling:</u> Weekly spellings are set each Friday. Each week, the children receive a list of 5/6 words to start. The list will gradually increase as the children learn more spellings. A copy will be sent home for the children to practise. <u>Timetables:</u> Now that students have joined Key Stage 2, we will have opportunities to really develop their times-table fluency to support their maths learning. Therefore, pupils will be given a times-table worksheet to complete, alongside a support sheet to help them develop their understanding and fluency. <u>Maths:</u> Finally, students will be given a maths worksheet containing a few questions based on the mathematical concepts they are currently learning and working on in class. This will provide pupils with an opportunity to practise and consolidate their learning independently. Homework will start at the end of the second week. I would like the children to settle in the class first. Any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to ask.

	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. 
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	Reading	In Reading, we will be focusing on the book <i>The Sea Book</i> by Charlotte Milner. Through the book, the children will develop their reading skills while exploring a range of themes and ideas related to the sea and our oceans. They will have opportunities to develop their vocabulary, improve their comprehension skills, make predictions, and discuss their understanding of the text. The children will also explore important messages about the environment and the importance of protecting our oceans and marine life. 
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	Handwriting	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 Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons for 1-hour sessions each day. *Please ensure your child brings in their PE kit on these days and it is clearly labelled with their first name and surname.
	Music	Not a lead subject for this term.
	MFL (Y3+)	In Spanish, the children will be developing their understanding of the Spanish language through learning a variety of everyday vocabulary. They will also be developing their understanding of Spanish phonics, learning how different sounds are pronounced and how these sounds are represented in written Spanish.
	Computing	For Computing, children will be focusing on online safety and developing their understanding of how to use technology responsibly and safely. Children will also learn about the importance of being respectful and responsible when communicating with others online and will be encouraged to make safe and sensible choices when using digital devices.
	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>