

Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery – Half-termly Curriculum Overview

Half Term Spring 2 Year Group 2

English	Mathematics	Science
Dear Earth Children's learning will be centred around the lovely book of 'Dear Earth' by Isabel Otter. This book focuses on the beauty of earth and how we can look after it. Children will write a setting description as well as write letters to David Attenborough showing appreciation for our amazing planet. Alongside this, the children will use the theme of nature to create shape poetry. Geography Wonderful World The children will learn to name and locate the continents and oceans. They will be learning about population and how many people live in different places while building on the use of atlas skills.	Fractions & Time This half term in maths, children will be looking at fractions. They will identify and find ½, ¼, ¾ and 1/3 of shapes and quantities. Finally the children will focus on time. They will tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past. Finally the children will look at telling the time to the 5 minutes. Art & Design Still Life Painting In art we are looking at still life painting, focusing on the artist Morandi through evaluating his work and how it links to still life. We will be learning how to arrange objects for effect and evaluate realism and composition. We will develop using colour for a purpose, understand	Animals including Humans. In science we will be looking closely at the life cycle of a stick insect and understand the development from egg to animal. The children then learn the differences between babies, young children, adults, and elderly people. Next, they explore what animals need to survive, including a healthy balanced diet and the effects of exercise on the human body. Computing Effective Searching In computing this half term, we will be learning about effective searching and how to carry out effective searches, connecting to the internet and using a search engine such as Purple Mash search or internet-wide search engines.
	and use contrast, and revisit learning of shades, tints and tones to sketch and paint a still life object.	
Music	PE	PSHE
Recognising Different Sounds This half term in music children will be exploring when voices or instruments work together to play different pitches that sound at the same time, we can hear harmony in music! They explore the voices and instruments used within the music in this unit to identify how and when harmony takes place and answer-how many different instruments can we recognise in the songs in this unit?	In PE we will be focusing on: Fundamental Movement Skills: Skip using a rope, jump in a variety of ways, dribble and travel with a ball, passing techniques. Gymnastics: Stretching, curling and arching. Travel in curled positions, stretch whilst in balance, create a sequence with seamless transitions. Form front and back supports. Perform a sequence.	Healthy Me In PSHE the children will be learning all about how to get and stay healthy. We will be exploring the different food groups and doing some cooking of our own.
R.E	Key Information for Half-term	
Easter- Resurrection In RE we will be focusing on Christianity. Our theme will be Easter- Resurrection. We are learning to re-tell the Easter story and understand what Jesus' resurrection means for Christians.	 PE days will be Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure your child has a full labelled PE kit in school. We ask that reading books are brought into school every day. Please ensure all jumpers/cardigans and bottles are labelled. We visit the library and change books on a Friday. Children will receive spelling homework each week which is accessible on TEAMS and children have weekly spelling quizzes which takes place the following week. All of your children's logins are located in the front of their homework books. Children taking home accelerated reader books will have one accelerated reader quiz to complete online at home each week. 	