



Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery – Half-termly Curriculum Overview

Half Term	Summer 1	Year Group	Year 3
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English	Mathematics	Science
In this penultimate half term, we will begin by a diary entry based on the story ‘Escape from Pompeii’ and use a range of time conjunctions and emotive language in role as someone in Pompeii. We will be continuing to develop our understanding of VIPERS while beginning to read the text ‘Varjak Paw’.	During this term we will be completing our shape unit and starting our work on fractions, and we will be learning how to find fractions of shapes and amounts. Through this we will be comparing, ordering and adding and subtracting fractions.	Children will explore the part that flowers play in the life cycle of flowering plants, including pollination, seed formation and seed dispersal. They will survey trees in the local area and suggest ways to increase the number of trees and homes for native species of animals.
Geography	Art & Design	Computing
This term we will be consolidating what we have learnt about tectonic plates to understand how and where earthquakes occur. We will also be learning about what a tsunami is and the effects they can have on countries.	During our art lessons we will be looking at the sculptor Alexander Calder and designing and creating our own portrait sculptures using a wire frame using the skills of twisting, bending, pressing, rolling and re-joining.	In Summer 1, children will begin developing their use of technology to understand how simulations function. We will also be using software to create our graphs and use these to solve a range of problems.
Music	PE	PSHE
Having completed our Toot performance last term, we will be continuing our curriculum coverage this half term with the unit ‘How does music make a difference every day to us?’ Children will be developing their listening, singing, playing skills alongside composing, improvising, and performing. They will be developing their understanding of music including concepts like tempo, rhythmic and melodic patterns.	This half term our PE will be focused on athletics and dancing. We will be creating our own Egyptian inspired dance routines. In athletics we will be preparing for sports day, developing the skills needed to compete positively.	This term we will be looking at different relationships and the different roles within our family and how they differ from each family. We will look at what makes a successful friendship and celebrating the many different relationships we have within our lives.
RE	French	Key Information for Half-term
During our summer unit we will be exploring how Sikh beliefs affect their ways of life and the importance they place on sharing. We will be learning about the different Gurus and identifying the themes of sharing and how this is important to Sikhs.	During our French lessons we will be getting into summer spirit by learning how to discuss and identify different ice creams and have conversations about them while applying what we learnt last term about fruit.	