



NEWHALL
PRIMARY ACADEMY

Half-termly Curriculum Overview

Half Term	Autumn 1	Year Group	6
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English	Mathematics	Science
This half term we will be reading <i>The Boy in Striped Pyjamas</i>. During this unit the children will write a non-chronological report collating facts about the war. Following this the children will write a letter as the main character back to Grandma explaining what life is like in Poland. Finally, the children will create their own narratives about children from different backgrounds coming together.	This first half term, the children will be building on their previous knowledge from Year 5, and we will be looking at addition and subtraction of integers and we will be finding common factors and common multiples. The children will be learning the rules of divisibility and applying this to a range of different question types. We will also be revisiting prime numbers to 100 and square and cube numbers.	In science this half term our topic is 'Changing Circuits' and within the unit the children will be learning to make different circuits for example, buzzers and lightbulbs. We will be learning all the symbols for the different components within the circuit and exploring how changes in our circuit can affect the outcome.
History	Art & Design	Computing
To start the year the children will be focusing on history. The children will be learning all about World War 2. We will start by looking at the key events which took place during WW2 and then move on to looking at the different roles people and allies played. They will learn about the different shelters and rationing during the course of the half term. Please take the time to share any family stories around the war if you have these so they can share them in class!	In the first half term of art the children will be exploring the differences between photography and artwork. We will be exploring the differences between a 'selfie' and a self-portrait. The children will be taught the correct artistic vocabulary for example background, foreground, perspective, light, shade tone and will be exploring the impact these have in photography.	In computing the children will be focusing on coding. They will build on the skills developed through out the school to sort different items, create simple adventures and follow simple story boards. The children will be using the input codes and to debug and create algorithms for the computers to follow.

Music	PE	PSHE
All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: Happy, a Pop song by Pharrell Williams The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc will be taught to the children through a range of mediums). This half term the children will enjoy singing and playing instruments that are all linked.	This half term in PE the children will focus on gymnastics. They will look at balance, counter balance and tension. The children will create routines focusing on working in unison supporting the development of teamwork and collaboration. Furthermore, the children will also look at problem challenged and team building within sports. This focuses on core strength, stamina and team games.	The first unit within Jigsaw PSHE is 'Being me in the World'. This focuses on the children creating goals for the year ahead. Looking at the possible challenges are creating resolutions. Furthermore, the children will learn how to be good global citizens and acceptance of children from different back grounds and communities.
RE	French	Key Information for Half-term
This half term in RE we are studying Judaism. Our enquiry question is 'Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?' The children will look at Torah, aspects of the synagogue, New Year/Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement), Days of Awe, Mitzvot. Customs of Rosh Hashanah and ways Jewish people would celebrate Yom Kippur.	Over this half term pupils will learn how to recognise, recall and spell ten different school subjects with the correct definite article/determiner in the foreign language. They will also learn how to conjugate the verb 'to study' in first person singular so they can say which subjects they study at school. They will also learn how to give an opinion of the subject.	This year the children will have PE lessons on a Monday and Thursday. The children will visit the Library on a Friday, please ensure they bring books in everyday to read and enjoy while at school. Homework will be set and marked every Friday. The children will have a Maths book to complete and Grammar or Reading questions set weekly. Spellings, Accelerated Reader tests and TTRS should be practiced weekly. Spellings will be tested on a Friday.