

YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6 AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Mrs Barlow



Miss Edwards



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Welcome Back

Hello and welcome back to a new year! We are so excited to see you! All the staff have been hard at work prepping your new classrooms and preparing more exciting lessons!

We all hope you've had the most wonderful summer break and spent quality time with your family and friends. This term our main focus is on routines and settling in. Please have a look below to find out what we are learning this half term for each subject.

As a church school, New Holland Primary seeks to live out the church's philosophy of "Valuing all God's children" paying particular attention to the Christian Vision, "Looking forward with hope. Flourishing. Doing all the good we can."

Writing and Reading

This half term we will be learning and performing the poem 'The Highwayman'. This is where we get to be really creative and improve our acting and speaking skills. We will also be creating our own setting descriptions based on the text 'Tamsin Mori- Winter's Keep'.

During our reading sessions, we will be learning different skills to support us with understanding the text and the author's use of language. Please read with your child as much as possible at home as this really develops their reading ability.

Maths

Throughout this half term, we will be recognising and comparing numbers to 1,000,000- WOW! We will be learning all about the place value of digits as this will really help us in further Maths units. During multiplication and division, we will be counting in multiples, finding common multiples, finding common factors and looking at square numbers. There will be plenty of opportunities to practise our reasoning and problem solving skills especially whilst working towards our SATs.

Science/Computing

Mrs Barlow's favourite subject! Our unit this half term is 'Rocks'. This is a very hands on unit where you will discover all about the different rocks and how fossils are formed. You will have the opportunity to make your own fossils to take home! During our lessons, we will be carrying out investigations and experiments to support us with our scientific understanding. During computing, we will be learning how to make our own quizzes! How exciting! Maybe we could bring copies home and test our grown ups!

French/Music

This half term we will be learning all about pets. We will learn how to recall common pet names using the correct articles and determiners- this can be tricky! We will also be learning how to describe our pets and use conjunctions.

During music, we will be using our new scheme 'Charanga' to learn the song 'Living on a Prayer'. We will learn how to sing the song, identify key messages within the song and listen to others' views about the song.

Geography/DT

In Geography this half term, we will be learning all about the Holderness Coast and Spurn Point. So if a day out is needed, please visit one of these and be our class expert! Take lots of photographs and bring them in to show us. We will be looking at how our coastline is changing and the reasons for this.

During DT this half term, we will be learning all about gears and pulleys! This can be quite tricky, but fun! As part of this unit, we will be making our very own electrical circuits too!

RE/PSHE

We will be learning all about Hinduism. We will learn all about what Hindus believe God to be like and their beliefs. We will learn how to explain between beliefs and concepts and begin to make connections using religious texts.

During PSHE, we will be learning all about ourselves. Our unit this half term is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be learning how to face new challenges and set personal goals. We will learn to understand our rights and responsibilities as a member of our school and community.

PE

This half term our units are dodgeball and basketball. We are going to be learning all about attacking and defending and the roles of this within game play. We will be learning different throwing techniques and how to pass whilst moving with the ball.

PE DAYS

Our PE days are on Wednesday and Thursdays. Please ensure you wear the correct uniform in line with our school policy.

Routines

All children to come to the KS2 classroom door in the morning for register. Miss Edwards and Mrs Barlow will register the children together before worship. Then Y3/4 and Y5/6 will split off for separate teaching for their own year groups.

All children to be collected on the playground as normal. KS2 children will leave from the KS2 classroom. Please bring reading books and records in to be checked on a Friday. Please also bring a water bottle! It is very important to stay hydrated to keep our brains healthy!

Diary Dates

1.9.25- Start of term
10.9.25- Salvation Army Assembly
12.9.25- Big Talk
14.9.25- National Inclusion Week
19.9.25- Jeans for Genes Day
1.10.25- Andy Tate Litter Picking Assembly
3.10.25- Library Visit
7.10.25- Harvest Festival Assembly
8.10.25- Parent Consultation Day
10.10.25- World Mental Health Day
17.10.25- Federation Cross Country
17.10.25- End of term