

Headteacher

# BREAKFAST BRIEFING

KEY MESSAGES | CURRENT AFFAIRS | CONTEXTUALISED READING

HALF-TERM 3 WEEK 3 (B)  
W/C 22ND JANUARY 2024

Useful Links

Remember to also go through your Head of Year if you need anything...

## Term Calendar

An overview of the school year (subject to some changes (assessment periods))



*Our Twitter (X) is our key info sharing platform. All families should be using this.*

## Letters Home

All the letters sent to our families. Please also add us on Twitter (X).



WEEKLY INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS & FAMILIES

# EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: SPRING TERM 23/24 (3PM-4PM)



# ACTIVITIES

Day	Club	Location	Staff Lead
<b>MONDAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Netball Y7 – Y10</li> <li>Fitness Y7/8</li> <li>Homework Club – All years</li> <li>TLC time</li> <li>KS3 Girls scooters (12.30-1.00)</li> <li>Cooking Club</li> <li>Karaoke Club</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Hall/ Astro</li> <li>Fitness Suite</li> <li>606</li> <li>TLC</li> <li>Sports Hall</li> <li>602</li> <li>401</li> </ul>	CPA/MHO GEA/JDA MYA SEND LST DF KCO
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wheelchair Basketball Club (invitation only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Hall</li> </ul>	LST / SCU
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Homework Club</li> <li>Drama Club</li> <li>TLC time</li> <li>EAL / culture club</li> <li>Programing Club</li> <li>Girls Football</li> <li>British Sign Language</li> <li>Fitness 9/10</li> <li>Badminton/Table Tennis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>606</li> <li>Lecture Theatre</li> <li>TLC</li> <li>EAL / 408</li> <li>608</li> <li>Field</li> <li>HI 802</li> <li>Fitness Suite</li> <li>Gym/Sport shall</li> </ul>	DF DT SEND SMU / TA AAH External DC JDA SMT
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCSE Art catch up Yr10</li> <li>Drama GCSE</li> <li>Craft club</li> <li>Homework Club</li> <li>Trampolining</li> <li>Chess Club</li> <li>Algebra Level 3 Club (invitation only)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>601</li> <li>Lecture Theatre</li> <li>202</li> <li>606</li> <li>Gym</li> <li>Library</li> <li>407</li> </ul>	NPR DT CRI MYA JDA/GEA DHA MAS
<b>FRIDAY</b>			

# Homework Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	Maths	Science	French 7W/7O/7M	French 7N	English
					French 7E/7S
Year 8	Science	French		English	Maths
Year 9	French		English	Maths	Science
Year 10	Option Block A	English	Maths	Science	Option Block C
	Option Block D				Option Block B
Year 11	English	Maths	Science	Option Block C	Option Block A
				Option Block D	Option Block B

# Period 6 Timetable (Y11)

	Week A (HODs Meeting)	Week B
Monday	Algebra III & German	Science
Tuesday	CPD	
Wednesday	French	English
Thursday	Geography & History	Maths
Friday	VTC (Art, PE, Food)	VTC (Art, PA, IT, Music)

# School calendar 2023/24



Newsome Academy

2023					2024						
August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1 Tu	1 Fr	1 Su	1 We	1 Fr	1 Mo <small>New Year's Day</small>	1 Th	1 Fr	1 Mo <small>Easter Monday</small>	1 We	1 Sa	1 Mo
2 We	2 Sa	2 Mo	2 Th	2 Sa	2 Tu	2 Fr	2 Sa	2 Tu	2 Th	2 Su	2 Tu
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25 Fr	25 Mo	25 We	25 Sa	25 Mo <small>Christmas Day</small>	25 Th	25 Su	25 Mo	25 Th	25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Th
26 Sa	26 Tu	26 Th	26 Su	26 Tu <small>Boxing Day</small>	26 Fr	26 Mo	26 Tu	26 Fr	26 Su	26 We	26 Fr
27 Su	27 We	27 Fr	27 Mo	27 We	27 Sa	27 Tu	27 We	27 Sa	27 Mo <small>Spring Bk. Hol.</small>	27 Th	27 Sa
28 Mo <small>August Bk. Hol.</small>	28 Th	28 Sa	28 Tu	28 Th	28 Su	28 We	28 Th	28 Su	28 Tu	28 Fr	28 Su
29 Tu	29 Fr	29 Su	29 We	29 Fr	29 Mo	29 Th	29 Fr <small>Good Friday</small>	29 Mo	29 We	29 Sa	29 Mo
30 We	30 Sa	30 Mo	30 Th	30 Sa	30 Tu	30 We	30 Sa	30 Tu	30 Th	30 Su	30 Tu
31 Th	31 Su	31 Tu	31 Fr	31 Su	31 We	31 Sa	31 Su	31 Fr	31 Mo	31 Th	31 We



3

weeks until Half-Term Break.

make every day count.



# Newsome Academy

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### THIS WEEK'S DIARY OF AMAZINGNESS!

[23/24 CALENDAR](#) | [SCHOOL CLUBS](#) | [LETTERS HOME](#)

<b>Monday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The usual warm welcome from our lovely staff!</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 9 Parents' /Options Evening – <a href="#">refer to letter</a></li> <li>Bike Ability – Year 7</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting Sleep family course hosted by TNA, J. Brook 9.30am</li> <li>Hamilton the Musical trip – Manchester leaving school at 12pm</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Berlin Parents' Evening 17:30-18:30</li> <li>Bike Ability – Year 7</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Piece Museum Y10</li> <li>Bike Ability – Year 7</li> </ul>

## TOUCH BASE

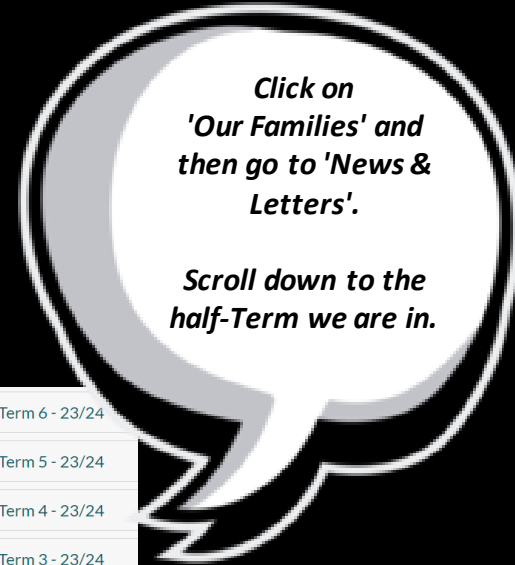
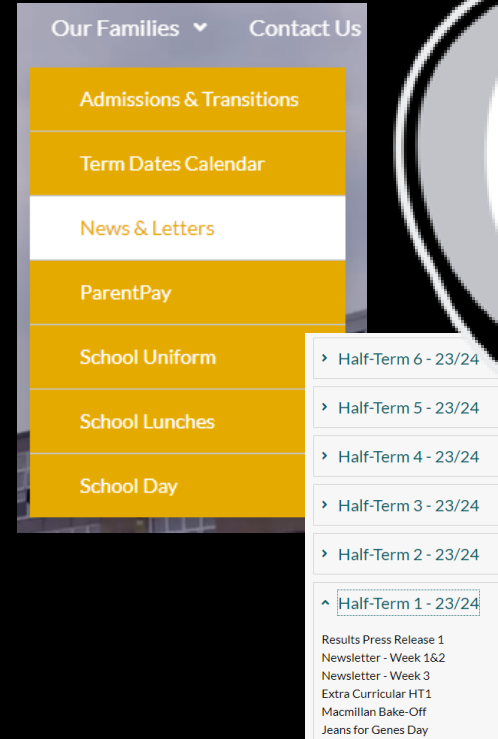
- A jam-packed week this week with more wonderful things happening.
- Y9 Families – please make sure you attend Tuesday's Progress/Options Evening. Your involvement is vital for their success. I have linked the letter that you have already been sent to the right.
- Students have been asking about how to claim their rewards prizes on our ClassCharts Online Shop. Please see your Head of Year for more info!
- Remember to keep supporting us in supporting your child to attend everyday so they have the best possible chance at achieving. We cannot support any in-term holidays.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Services	Safeguarding
Ms Crossland	Ms Fletcher	Ms Sykes	Ms Parsonage	Ms Hallworth Ms Carter	Ms Gaye Mr Holmes Ms Hill Ms Carr	Ms Robinson Ms Wood Ms LeRoy Ms Brook

Remember to keep a check on the letters section of our website. This can be located by...



Dear Parents and Carers

Year 9 students are about to enter a very important phase in their education and the time is fast approaching when options have to be made which will shape their programme of study in years 10 and 11. In order to support you with this process, we will be hosting the Year 9 Parents' evening in-person at school on Tuesday 23rd January 4.30pm to 6.30pm.

We would also like to invite you to attend a short explanation of the Options process before or after the Year 9 Parents' Evening. The talks will take place at 4pm and 6.30pm. Our careers advisor will also be on hand to offer further support and guidance, where more specific information about particular courses can be gathered. Our KS4 structure has been designed to enable our students to follow a broad and balanced curriculum which consists of a number of subjects; some of these are compulsory whilst others are chosen from a range of options.

Year 9 students will be receiving information, advice and guidance to help them make sound choices based on their own interests, abilities and ambitions. As parents and carers, your help in supporting this process is essential. Year 9 students will be enjoying options taster sessions exploring a selection of courses available to them and learning how these subjects link to future career paths. They will be advised about the Options process in seminars and this will be followed with options booklets being distributed with descriptions of the courses offered. Options forms will be sent out for students to complete by Friday 2nd February. Timetabling and staffing the options is a complex process and whilst we try our best to accommodate choices, occasionally this proves impossible. It is with this in mind that we also ask your child to highlight reserve choices in case any courses become unavailable.

We know this is an exciting time for our students who will be eager to find out their allocated timetables and we hope to achieve this before the end of May. For the moment though, our main priority is to ensure that all our students are effectively guided and supported through the option process in readiness for successful years 10 and 11 and onwards.

**Please follow the below steps to book your parents' evening appointments**

- To make your appointments please login at: <https://parents-booking.co.uk/newsome>
- Follow the set-up instructions below
- You will be able to book appointments until Monday 21st January when bookings will close.



## Year 9 Parents' & Options Evening

[See full letter here](#)

Tuesday 23rd January  
4pm - 6.30pm 11th  
January 2024





# Mobile Phone Expectations & Reminders

# NOTHING NEW

## KEY STUDENT REMINDERS

- Mobile phones should be **switched off and out of sight in school.**
- While on school premises, **mobile phones are not to be seen or used** by students, unless instructed by an adult.
- Unless express permission is granted, mobile phones should not be used to make calls, send SMS messages, surf the internet, take photos or use any other application during the school day or while on school premises.
- **If using a mobile phone in absolute emergencies, a staff member should be present and it should be in a non public area.**
- The Bluetooth function of a mobile phone must be switched off at all times and **not be used to send images or files to other mobile phones.**
- Using mobile phones to bully and threaten other students is unacceptable. **Cyber bullying will not be tolerated.**
- Mobile phones are not to be used or taken into changing rooms or toilets or used in any situation that may cause embarrassment or discomfort to their fellow students, staff or visitors to the school.
- **It is unacceptable to take a picture of a member of staff without their permission.** In the event that this happens the student will be asked and expected to delete those images.
- Mobile phones will be confiscated if seen.
- Students must adhere to the guidelines and protocol set out by the school when using their devices. If this is not adhered to a suitable sanction will be put in place. **Mobile phones and other electronic devices are only to be used in school when instructed by a member of staff and to complete work/research tasks in an allocated period of time.**

# Agenda

SEMINAR

Today we will  
have reminders of  
**Memory Re-Call.**



## SKILLS TO DEVELOP LEARNING



MEMORY



META



COLLABORATIVE



LITERACY



NUMERACY



PROFESSIONAL

TEAMWORK

ASPIRATION

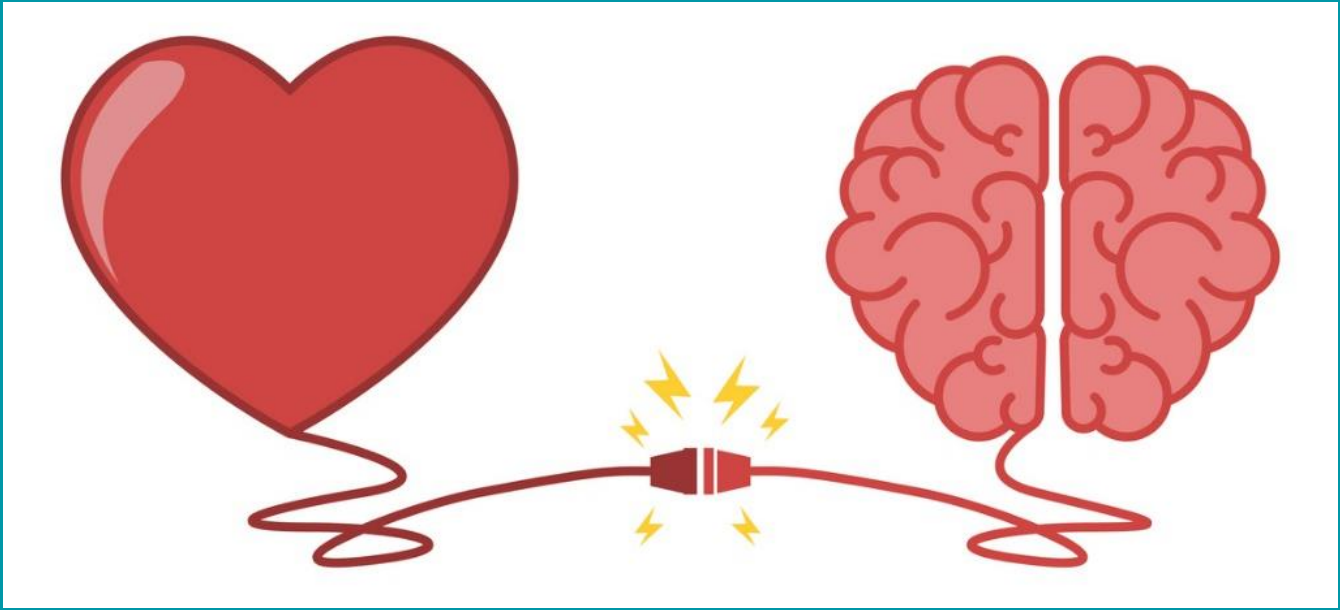
RESILIENCE

TOLERANCE

## Metacognition

Metacognition is the process of thinking about one's own thinking and learning.

Metacognition: intentional thinking about how you think and learn.



**What does this image represent to you?**





# Impact

Education  
Multi Academy Trust

**Newsome Academy is a proud family member of Impact Multi-Academy Trust. This means that we are a larger family of schools in Kirklees and Calderdale that work together to make sure you have the very best education.**

Impact Academies are communities where hearts and minds connect. Each Academy is built around a clear set of values which are focused on transforming the lives of our students.



# 4,500

Students

# 680

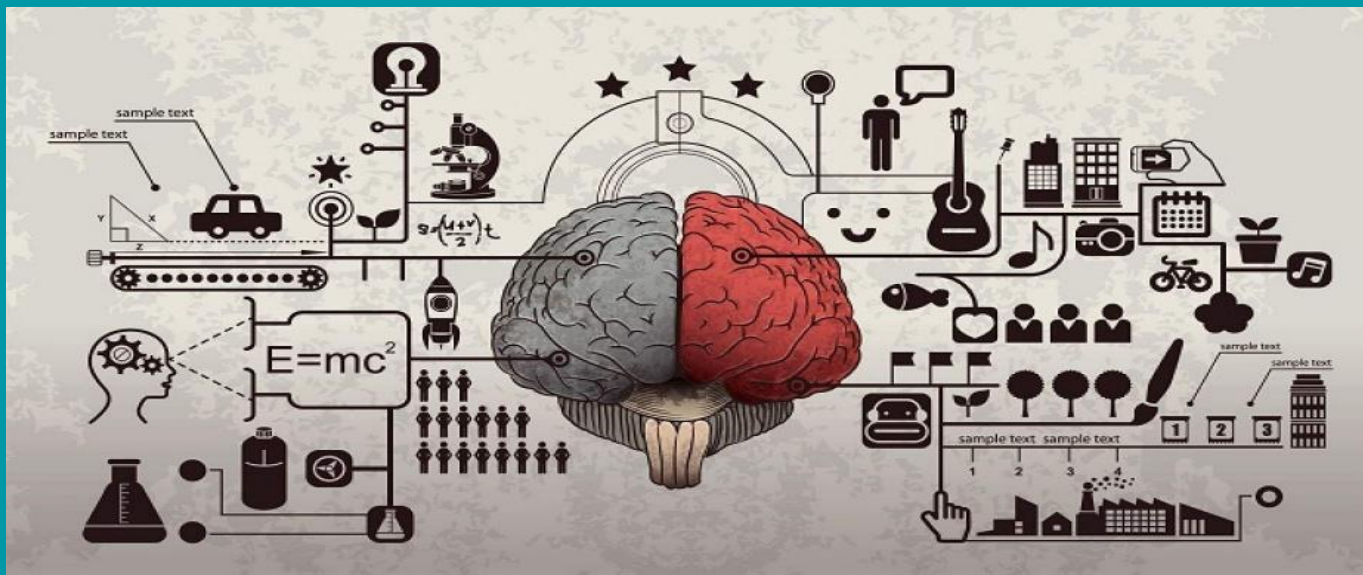
Staff

# £31m

Budget

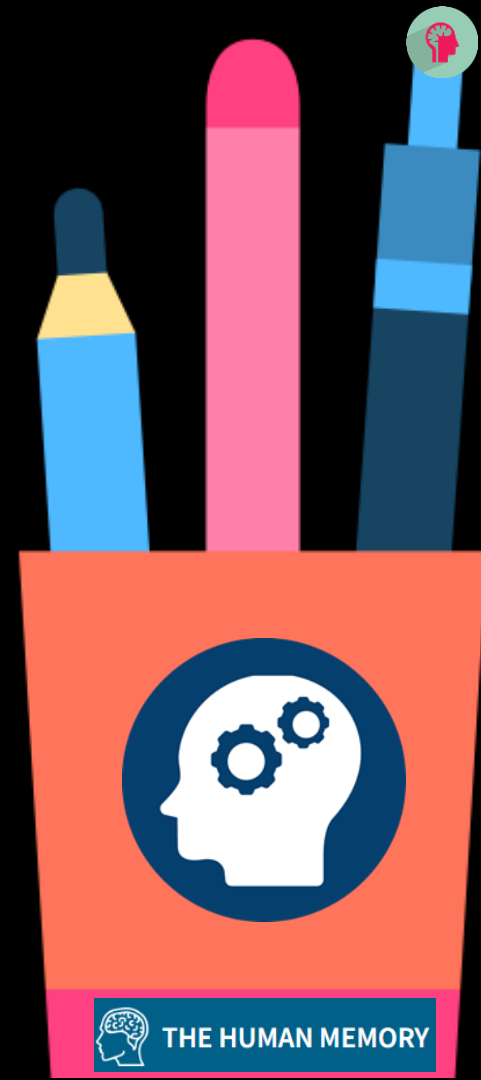
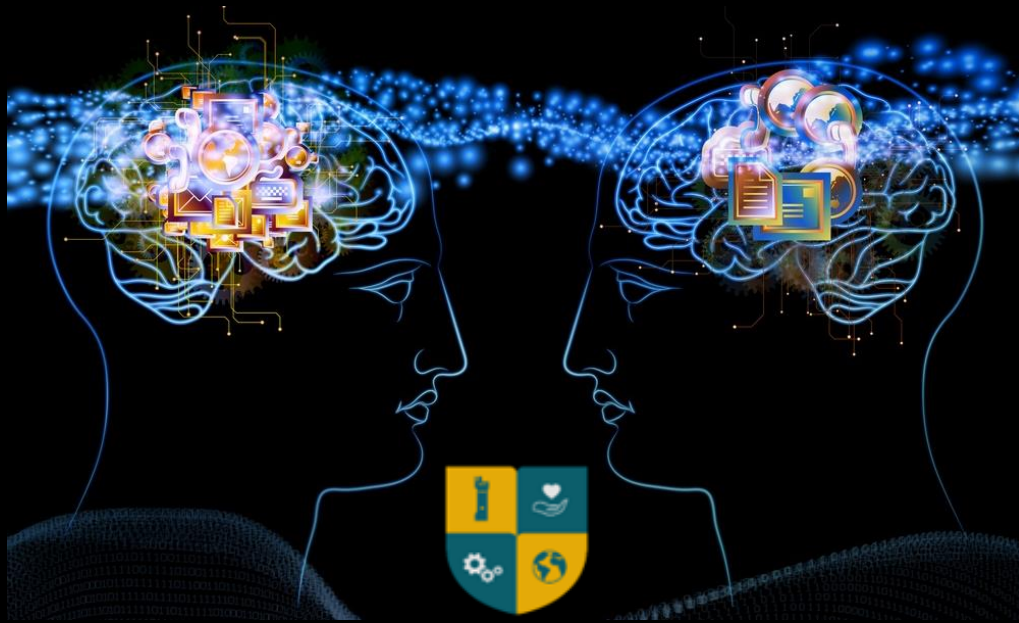
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Academies



- The mental action or process of acquiring knowledge and understanding through thought, experience, and the senses.





Through a process known as cognition, the human brain can absorb and retain information through **experience**, **senses** and **thought**. You can enhance your brain's potential through an active style of learning known as cognitive learning. The goal is to make it easier for you to **connect new information with existing ideas**. Cognitive learning can help you achieve mastery in your career by **highlighting the best ways you learn**.





## Frontal lobe

Executive functions, thinking, planning, organising and problem solving, emotions and behavioural control, personality

## Motor cortex

Movement

## Sensory cortex

Sensations

## Parietal lobe

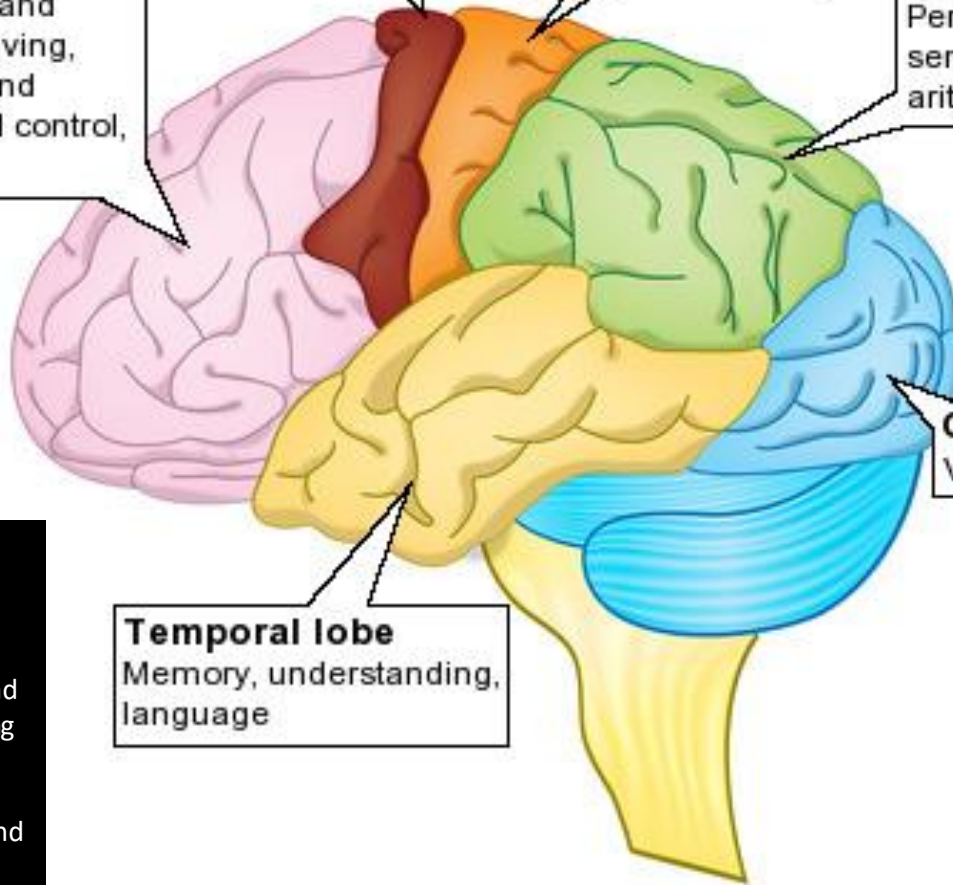
Perception, making sense of the world, arithmetic, spelling

## Occipital lobe

Vision

## Temporal lobe

Memory, understanding, language



The mental action or process of acquiring knowledge and understanding through thought, experience, and the senses.



# What is It?

- Cognitive learning is a style of learning that focuses on more effective use of the brain.
- To understand the process, it's important to know the meaning of cognition.
- Cognition is the mental process of gaining knowledge and understanding through the senses, experience and thought. Cognitive learning theory merges cognition and learning to explain the different processes involved in learning effectively.







# How METACOGNITION helps me...

You are lucky at Newsome because we are a research school, which means everything we do is based on international findings on what works best to enhance your chances.

Our **Learning Model** gives you a structure for learning so you know what you are being taught each lesson.

These are to help your metacognition by...

- knowing how each lesson/Teacher will deliver new knowledge to you and your brain.

		
<b>ACTIVATE</b>	<b>MOTIVATE</b>	<b>DEMONSTRATE</b>
WARM-UP ACTIVITY LINK LEARNING LEARNING INTENTIONS	DISCUSS ATTEMPT ENGAGE	EXTEND CHALLENGE ACCOMPLISH



# How METACOGNITION helps me...

Our **6 Curriculum Skills** gives you a structure for learning so you know what you are being taught each lesson. Without these, we would simply be 'cramming' information to you!

These are to help your metacognition by...

- Ensuring that your mind has well-rounded coverage of life skills.
- Develops your mind as a learner - rather than a student who just listens to information.
- Ensures you are equipped to be successful in life – regardless of the subject or GCSE.

## SKILLS TO DEVELOP LEARNING



MEMORY



META



COLLABORATIVE



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PROFESSIONAL



THE HUMAN MEMORY



# How METACOGNITION helps me...

Our **VALUES** and **LESSON EXPECTATIONS** gives you a structure for learning so you know what you are being taught each lesson.

## These are to help your metacognition by...

- Ensuring that you know how to act and respond appropriately to learning.
- Helping you to understand what makes a positive British Citizen.
- Giving you a set of life skills and showing you what makes an employable person.

**R**ESPECT

**I**NTEGRITY

**T**EAMWORK

**A**SPIRATION

**C**OOPERATION

**E**NGAGEMENT

**R**ESILIENCE

**T**OLERANCE



THE HUMAN MEMORY

# MEMORY RE-CALL

Please use our Study Support Pack to help all the information included in this week's Newsletter!

[CLICK HERE](#)



THE HUMAN MEMORY

# Attendance Rewards



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

6 days or less absence per year 97% or above <b>VERY GOOD THIS IS YOUR TARGET</b>	Between 7 and 19 days absence per year 90% - 96% <b>BELOW EXPECTATIONS</b>	More than 19 days absence per year Under 90% <b>POOR ATTENDANCE</b>
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**JUMP  
INTO  
JANUARY**



HERE ARE THIS WEEK'S WINNERS...	
YEAR 7	
YEAR 8	
YEAR 9	
YEAR 10	
YEAR 11	
OVERALL	

**To be shared in Seminar!**



*Have a great week!*