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NEWSOME FAMILY UPDATE



Culture Day

Friday, 23rd of May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Newsome, we celebrate Culture Day every year as we acknowledge that cultural diversity is one of humanity's greatest strengths. It fosters innovation, enriches societies, and strengthens global cooperation. This day allows everyone in our family to participate in cultural life and reinforces the idea that sustainable development and peace are only possible when dialogue and diversity are genuinely valued and protected.

During the last week of this half-term, students will:

- have special seminars around Culture Day;
- complete a range of activities during their team time; and
- **be invited to come in their own cultural clothes on Friday the 23rd of May, to showcase their own culture, religion, heritage, or even their chosen sport! However, Year 11 MUST stay in uniform as it is exam season, and this is compulsory for them.**

All we ask for is **£1 cash donation** to go towards our school fund to help with future enrichment events and to allow students to showcase further talents, this can be given to their team leader throughout the week and by the Friday.

We look forward to seeing our students 'show off' what makes them so unique through the clothes they wear.

CALENDAR

January		February		May	June
1 We <small>New Year's Day</small>	1 Sa			1 Su	1 Tu
2 Th	2 Su			2 Mo	2 We
3 Fr	3 Mo	3 Mo	3 Th	3 Sa	3 Th
4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Tu	4 Fr	4 Su	4 Fr
5 Su	5 We	5 We	5 Sa	5 Mo <small>Early May Bk. Hol.</small>	5 Sa
6 Mo	6 Th	6 Th	6 Su	6 Tu	6 Su
7 Tu	7 Fr	7 Fr	7 Mo	7 We	7 Th
8 We	8 Sa	8 Sa	8 Tu	8 Th	8 Fr
9 Th	9 Su	9 Su	9 We	9 Fr	9 Sa
10 Fr	10 Mo	10 Mo	10 Th	10 Sa	10 Su
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15 We	15 Sa	15 Sa	15 Tu	15 Th	15 Su
16 Th	16 Su	16 Su	16 We	16 Fr	16 Mo
17 Fr	17 Mo	17 Mo	17 Th	17 Sa	17 Tu
18 Sa	18 Tu	18 Tu	18 Fr <small>Good Friday</small>	18 Su	18 We
19 Su	19 We	19 We	19 Sa	19 Mo	19 Th
20 Mo	20 Th	20 Th	20 Su	20 Tu	20 Fr
21 Tu	21 Fr	21 Fr	21 Mo <small>Easter Monday</small>	21 We	21 Sa
22 We	22 Sa	22 Sa	22 Tu	22 Th	22 Su
23 Th	23 Su	23 Su	23 We	23 Fr	23 Mo
24 Fr	24 Mo	24 Mo	24 Th	24 Sa	24 Tu
25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Tu	25 Fr	25 Su	25 We
26 Su	26 We	26 We	26 Sa	26 Mo <small>Spring Bk. Hol.</small>	26 Th
27 Mo	27 Th	27 Th	27 Su	27 Tu	27 Fr
28 Tu	28 Fr	28 Fr	28 Mo	28 We	28 Sa
29 We		29 Sa	29 Tu	29 Th	29 Su
30 Th		30 Su	30 We	30 Fr	30 Mo
31 Fr		31 Mo	1 Sa	1 Tu	31 Th

Y11 MOCK EXAMS

Y7-10 YEAR END EXAMS

Y11 REAL EXAMS

WE ARE HERE

1 WEEK
UNTIL
NEXT
BREAK

GCSEs START 1st MAY
GCSE results day in 2025 is Thursday, August 21 when you collect your results

HALF-TERM EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL ORGANISATION

Facilitate your child's memory development by:

- Looking through our [Curriculum Plans](#) to see the bigger picture.
- Going through the [Study Support Pack](#) with you.
- Going through the [Knowledge Organisers](#) and testing your knowledge



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WEEK 1 – WEEK STARTING 21st April 2025

MONDAY	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
TUESDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams
WEDNESDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams Shakespeare Day
THURSDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams
FRIDAY	Y11 French Speaking exams

WEEK 2 – WEEK STARTING 28th April 2025

MONDAY	Whole school seminar - Routines
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	Y10 Mock Interviews - LT
THURSDAY	Y10 Mock Interviews - LT
FRIDAY	

WEEK 3 – WEEK STARTING 5th May 2025

MONDAY	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	Y11 Revision Timetable starts
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Y10 Innerscope trip to Canary Wharf

WEEK 4 – WEEK STARTING 12th May

Y11 GCSEs

MONDAY	Whole School Seminar - Wellbeing
TUESDAY	Y7 Parents Evening
WEDNESDAY	Bronze D of E training
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	

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WEEK 5 – WEEK STARTING 19th May

Y11 GCSEs

MONDAY	Whole School Seminar – Culture Day
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	Transition Evening 1
FRIDAY	Culture Day – non-uniform to represent your culture – remember to bring your £1 donation!



WE OFFER A RANGE OF CLUBS FOR FUN AND LEARNING THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF...

Extra-Curricular Activities: Summer Term 1 24/25 (3-4pm)

DAY	CLUB	LOCATION	STAFF	P6 Wk A	P6 Wk B
MONDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Athletics - Y7 – 10 2. Homework Club 3. Cooking Club 4. DOFE 5. Algebra L3 Drop In – yr10 invite only 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Field- Astro 2. 608 3. 602 4. 402 5. 407 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HRA/SMT/GEA 2. DTU 3. GCO 4. GEA/JDA 5. MAS 	MFL BUISNESS	HISTORY GEOGRAPHY
TUESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wheelchair Sports – Invite only 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sports hall 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SCU 	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
WEDNESDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homework Club 2. Girls Football 3. Cricket Nets 4. BSL Club 5. Computing Club 6. Ukulele Club 7. Carnegie Reading Club 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 608 2. Astro 3. Sports hall 4. 803 5. 608 6. 402 7. Library 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DTU 2. External/LST 3. JDA 4. DCR 5. OMO 6. EC 7. DHA 	MATHS	MATHS
THURSDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GCSE Art – KS4 only 2. Homework Club 3. Music Club 4. Rounders 5. Sparx Club 6. Photography Support Yr 10 ONLY 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 609 2. 60 3. 402 4. Field – Astro 5. 406 6. 601 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LSN 2. NMA 3. AMC 4. SMT/HRA/GEA 5. EBU 6. AME 	SCIENCE	SCIENCE
FRIDAY	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Climbing 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gym 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LST 	OPTION C	OPTION B



EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

3PM-4PM





Independent learning will be set as per the timetable below for each year group to ensure it is spread out across the week. Failure to complete homework to an acceptable standard will be recorded on ClassCharts.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7*	7NEW MFL	English	Science	Maths	7SOM MFL
Year 8*	8NEW MFL	8SOM MFL	Maths	English	Science
Year 9*	MFL	Science	English		Maths
Year 10	English Option C	Maths	MFL Option D	Science	Hums
Year 11	Maths	MFL Option D	English	Hums Option C	Science

- Due to A/B Week timetables, classes in Years 7-9 will receive Hums and VTC homework at different times each week.



HOMEWORK CALENDAR





Here is a reminder of the resources that are on offer to you whilst learning at home. Students are lucky enough to get above and beyond that of most schools and it's important these are taken advantage of for success.

KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7,8,9)

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

This is broken down per each half term and contain content and questions to work from home on.

HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

This supports time management at home and a guide for Teachers so work issuing is not given all in one go.

KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10& 11)

EXAM BOARD LIST

The list on the previous page offers guidance of the vast range of online resources such as past papers etc. This should be used as a guide.

REVISION GUIDES

ALL students have/will been given **FREE** guides which they should have at home. There's no excuses for loss

WIDER SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE LINKS | WELLBEING APPS | INDEPENDENT STUDY GUIDES



HOME LEARNING

ALL KS3 students must have their Knowledge Organiser (KO) everyday. Students will gain positives for having their KO.





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Attendance Matters		
100%	0 DAYS	0 LESSONS MISSED
99%	1 DAY	5 LESSONS MISSED
98%	3 DAYS	15 LESSONS MISSED
97%	1 WEEK	25 LESSONS MISSED
96%	1.5 WEEKS	35 LESSONS MISSED
94%	2 WEEKS	50 LESSONS MISSED
93%	2.5 WEEKS	65 LESSONS MISSED
92%	3 WEEKS	75 LESSONS MISSED
90%	3.5 WEEKS	90 LESSONS MISSED

Current Whole school to date = 93.4%

WEEKLY WINNERS!!!!

Year 7 – GAU 97.50%

Year 8 – **EBU 100%**

Year 9 – SJO 99.20%

Year 10– AMC 97.39%

Year 11– EGA 98.21%

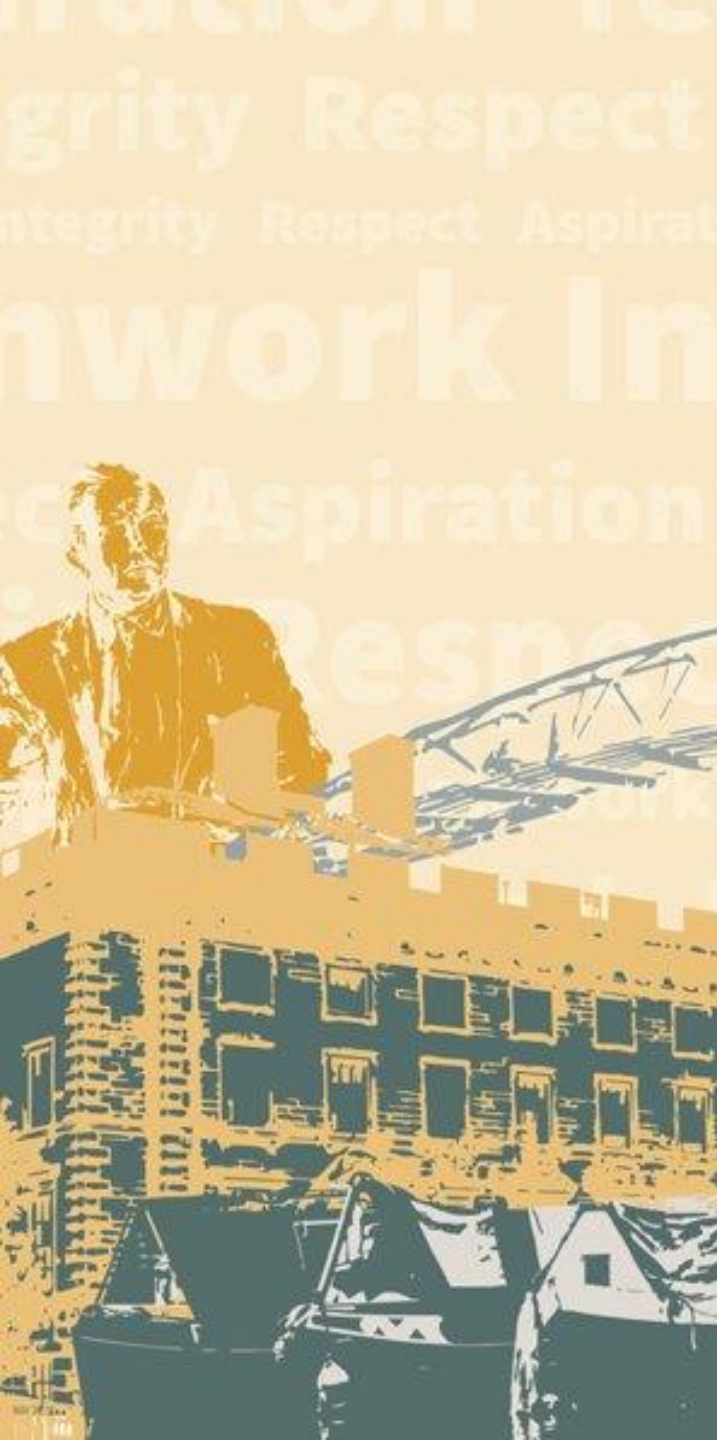
BEST Year group = Year 11 – 95.66%



THIS WEEK'S SEMINAR



CULTURE DAY 2025



What is Culture Day?

Culture day is a day that celebrates the diversity within our community. This year's focus is intercultural dialogue, diversity and urges everyone to do their part to bridge the gap between cultures.

What is culture?

Watch the video to find out

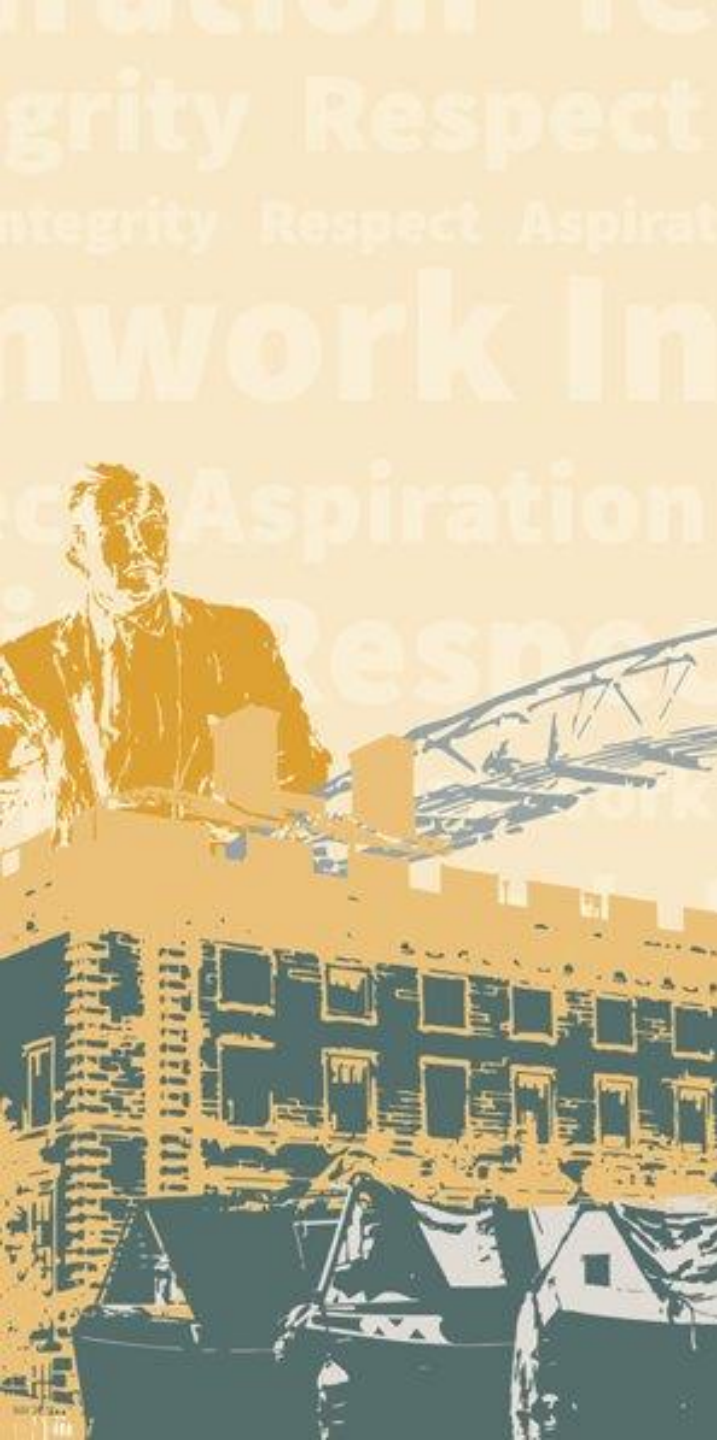
[What is Culture?](#)

What is intercultural dialogue?

A process that involves open and respectful exchanges between individuals, groups and organizations from different cultural backgrounds.



[Cultural Celebrations Around the World! 🌍 🎉 | Fun Festivals for Kids!" 🎉 | Easy Way to Learn](#)



Why is culture important?



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Culture is a reflection of a community or nation. This makes culture a vital and important determining factor of how the community reacts, responds, and grows. Culture plays a major role in the lives of everyone in the society.

The Role of Culture in Shaping Identity

Culture plays a crucial role in shaping our identity. It is the foundation of our beliefs, ideologies, and values. From the moment we are born, we are shaped and influenced by the culture we are brought into. This involves everything from the language we speak to the traditions we follow, and the rituals we participate in. Our culture dictates our behavior, our perceptions, and our views of the world.

Culture and Community

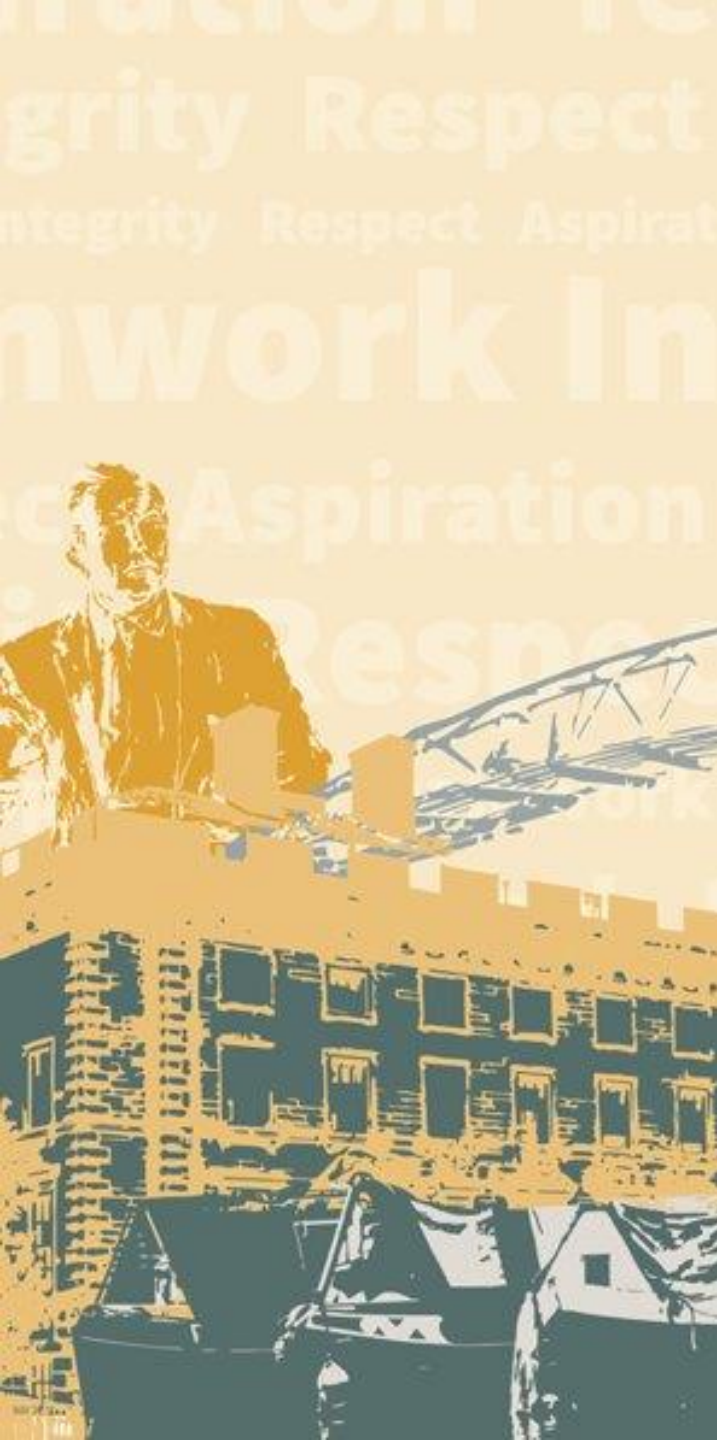
Culture is the glue that holds a community together. It creates a sense of unity and belonging among its members. Each community has its own unique culture that distinguishes it from others.

How Culture Shapes our Worldview

Our culture has a significant influence on our worldview. It determines how we perceive and interpret the world around us. It shapes our values, beliefs, and attitudes towards different aspects of life. It influences our understanding of morality, ethics, and what we consider to be right or wrong. It also influences our social interactions and relationships with others.

Preserving Cultural Heritage

Preserving cultural heritage is vital for maintaining cultural diversity and fostering mutual understanding among different cultures. It allows us to appreciate and learn from the wisdom, experiences, and creativity of past generations. It also plays a key role in shaping our identity and giving us a sense of belonging. In a rapidly changing world, preserving our cultural heritage helps us stay connected to our roots and maintain our unique cultural identity.



Culture VS Religion



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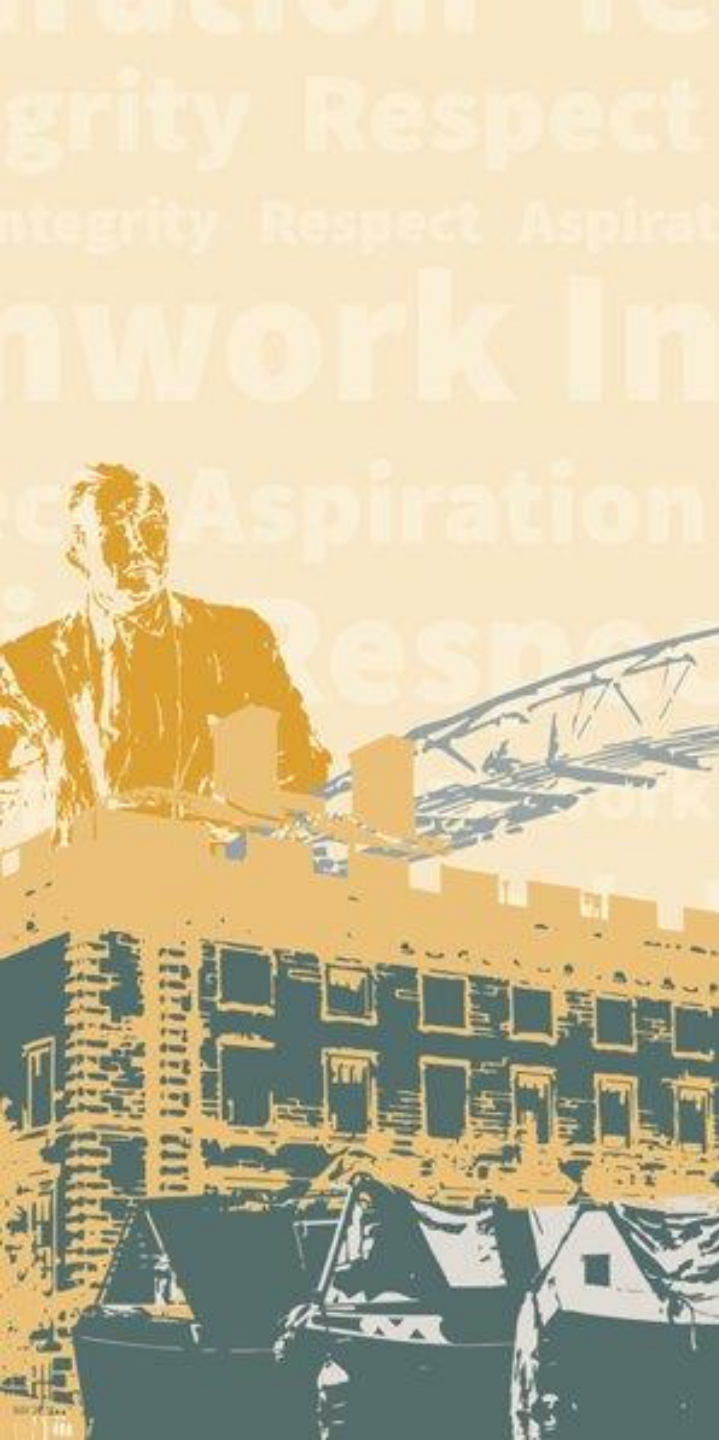
CULTURE VERSUS RELIGION

Encompasses religion	Subset of culture
Acquired body of knowledge	Belief system
Focused on the people of a society	Associated with the Supreme Being
Evolution of humans and their traditions	Revelation of the Supreme Being to humanity
Practical	Written in texts
Changes through time	Fixed from the beginning

Difference Between .net

Bing Videos

Watch the video to understand the difference between religion and culture



In team time ...

For culture day this year there are several things to do:

1. A team time quiz - the winning team gets a prize
2. Create a team flag - on A3 paper each person in your team has to draw something that represents you as a person.
3. A culture competition- you can draw, write a story, poetry, song/rap that represents your culture or Newsome culture- there will be prizes for the top five- this is due on the 6th June 2025