



Akrotiri School

Y3

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Spring Term 1st Half 2018 - Information Guide

Our learning this term

Our topic is 'Hola Mexico!'

Welcome to Mexico. Get ready to explore this unique country from its towering temples and stunning geography to its pulsing rhythms and fun packed festivals. Discover the mysterious world of the ancient Maya Civilisation, find out about their ballgame and curious rituals. Just try to keep your head on!

In English we will be writing letters and diary entries based on our book Flat Stanley and the Mexico adventure. More information on this, to follow soon.

In Maths we will develop written methods of multiplication and division and solve a range of one step and two step problems involving money and measures.

VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

We will be making our own Flat Stanley people, to get ready to post to destinations afar.

HOMEWORK

We will be continuing to send homework books home with a new choice of 5 homework activities for this half term.

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

Regular reading – please initial when you have read with your child, we would love children to read at least 3 times a week at home. A new system will be in place in a few weeks' time. We are currently assessing all the children with this new online reading program.

Please continue to help your child learn the spelling patterns that are sent home each Monday.

Additional information

Please label **ALL** of your child's clothes and belongings including trainers, hats, shorts, t-shirts, jumpers, cardigans and water bottles.

To support your child's learning further, the following websites are worth a look:

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/countries/mexico>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables>

USEFUL INFORMATION

We are not swimming this half term so will have two PE sessions.

For both classes this will mean they will have PE on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please note Tuesday we will alternate, so classes will only do PE every second week on this day.

Library: We are changing our library system. This will be out of action for the first two weeks.

The weekly spelling test and maths mountain challenge will also take place on Mondays.

Towards the end of this half term we will have a 'Mexico/Day of Dead day.' The children will need to wear bright clothes for this. More information to follow.