



Akrotiri School

Y3

Spring Term 2 - Information Guide

Our learning this term

Our topic is 'Tremors'

English – Our work focus on historical narratives, we will be writing a story about Pompeii. We will also be writing newspaper reports and diaries.

Maths – We will continue with statistics, and then work on length with perimeter before finishing with fractions. We will continue to develop our problem solving skills.

Science – Our 'Tremors' topic will take us through a unit about rocks. We will explore rocks by being 'scientists' and looking at them through magnifying glass!! We will find out about how rocks are formed and carry out simple tests to see the effects of erosion.

Other subjects - In Geography we will find out where in the world volcanoes are and where earthquakes take place. We will find out what causes both of these events and the damage that can be done. The volcanic eruption in the ancient city of Pompeii will be our focus in History and this will lead us into finding out about what it was like to live during Roman times.

VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

Our topic will culminate in the 'Express' part of our curriculum taking place in the Roman Ruins Curium. Here we will visit the entire site, with particular attention to 'The Earthquake House' seeing how there is evidence of the earthquakes destructive power hundreds of years after the event. The children can wear a Roman costume for this visit and this will take place during the last week of this half term (more detail to follow).

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

Please support your child with their homework and encourage them to aim high and produce neat work of a good standard. Please also read with / listen to your child reading regularly (at least 1 hour a week) and comment and sign in the reading diary.

Remember to question them about what they have read and make it a pleasurable experience.

USEFUL INFORMATION

PE: Swimming on Tuesdays and outdoor P.E on alternate Wednesdays. Please can your child bring their P.E kit to school each Wednesday so that we can be flexible with the weather situation.

Library - Thursday.

HOMEWORK: A new homework sheet has been attached to the inside front cover of homework books with varying levels of challenge. Homework books will be sent home on a Friday and should be brought into school on a weekly basis when completed. Homework is due in on Wednesdays.

READING

Spring 2 – It is important that your child's reading book and reading record comes into school **every day**. They will work with an adult to improve their reading skills at least once a week through guided reading sessions and in other lessons. Please remind your child that when they have completed a book, they need to bring it to school in order to complete the Accelerated Reading quiz.

SPELLING:

We will continue to have our spelling test on Monday.