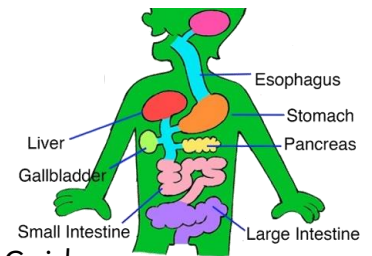




Akrotiri School

Y4

Spring Term 2nd Half 2018 - Information Guide



Our learning this term

Burps, bottoms and bile.

English – Our focus this half term will be on explanation texts linked to our work in science. We will identify features and write our explanation texts.

Maths – We will be learning about fractions and decimals and we will continue to develop our problem solving and reasoning skills.

Science – This half term we will be investigating teeth and digestion. We will learn about different types of teeth and the jobs they do. We will then compare human teeth with the teeth of other animals. With digestion, we will learn about the parts of the digestive system and what job each part does.

Other subjects – Our art and design work will focus on colour mixing and we will create our own versions of the work of an artist, utilising our newly acquired skills.

PSHE - Our School Value this term is teamwork. We will learn about the importance of teams and what role each member takes.

ENRICHMENT

Monday 19th February is Green Monday and we will all make and fly kites – this is traditional in Cyprus for the beginning of Lent.

Whole school STEM week 26th – 29th March. We will meet members of the community who use STEM every day in their jobs and get involved in real life, practical science and technological activities.

HOMEWORK:

A new homework sheet will be sent home with a variety of tasks and different levels of challenge. Homework books should be brought into school when completed. If you choose to work on a bigger project over a few weeks please send it in when it is finished.

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 2 hours 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:

Tuesday – outdoor PE

Thursday - indoor PE

Please ensure that children have their PE kits on these days.

READING

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 individual / guided / shared reading sessions and in other lessons. Please remember to read with your child for at least 2 hours per week and sign the reading record book.

Our focus text this half term is on author's use of language and the effect of different vocabulary.

SPELLING: A spelling list will be sent home each Thursday and tested the following week. The whole school spelling improvement 'drive' continues and we ask that you support your child at home also (to promote the importance of accurate spelling.)

It is essential that the children bring their home spelling logs to schools each Thursday.

MENTAL MATHS FOCUS

In class we are still focussing on a weekly maths mountain times table challenge and ask that you encourage your child to practice at home to build confidence, resilience and speed.