



Akrotiri School

Year 3

Japan (Mr Ball), Netherlands (Mrs McKenna)
and Jamaica (Mrs Goddard)

Summer Term 1st half 2021 - Information Guide



Our learning this term...

Writing: This half term, we will be writing a time travel narrative, persuasive travel text and poetry. This will include using stylistic features like similes, alliteration, onomatopoeia, persuasive language and a range of organisational features to structure our writing, as well as drafting and proofreading for spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors.

Maths: Our main focus this term is going to be on fractions. We will learn to count in fractions, identify halves, quarters and thirds and find equivalents. Furthermore, we will revise multiplication and division facts and we will be measuring, comparing and converting lengths.

Design and Technology: Our DT focus this half term is food technology. We will create, evaluate and promote our own sandwich creations and hopefully use some homegrown ingredients from our forest school garden.

History: We will investigate the lives of the Mayan civilisation by conducting our own and guided research and using a variety of sources to support our findings. In addition, we will learn about Mayan inventions, their religious beliefs, the gods they worshipped and the significance of corn and cocoa.

Geography: Geography this half term we will be exploring Mexico. We will use maps and globes to locate Mexico, find out about a variety of physical and human features, learn about the culture and customs and finally make comparisons to our own environment and lives in Cyprus.

Visits and enrichment

We will be enhancing our learning using Forest School, linking our learning, where possible, to other areas of the curriculum. In line with our Mexico topic, we are looking to organise a 'Dia de los Muertos' themed enrichment day towards the end of the half term. The date for this event will be confirmed on Seesaw.

Home learning

Homework will go out every Friday and will need to be returned by the following Wednesday. Reading, spelling and math work will be set every week alongside a science, history, geography or art task.

Reading

It is important that your child's reading book and reading record comes into school **every day**. They will work to improve their reading skills through individual, shared and guided reading sessions. The children take a quiz each time they complete a book to assess their level of comprehension.

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 and comment and sign in the reading diary.

Additional information

Mosquito repellent and sun cream should be applied before school. As we enter the warmer months of the year, please make sure your child has a hat and water bottle at school every day.

Please ensure all clothing is named and labelled.

USEFUL INFORMATION

PE: We will have two PE sessions a week and days will be confirmed on SeeSaw. This term indoor PE is dance and outdoor PE is athletics/ striking and fielding games. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school on designated days.

Library Day: We will let you know about our library days on SeeSaw. Please ensure that library books are in school on this day to change them.

SeeSaw: Please continue to look at the learning communicated to you. SeeSaw will continue to be our main communication tool.

Forest School: This is Thursday for all children in Year 3.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns, either via email or through the SeeSaw parent app.

We are looking forward to a great term together!