



# Akrotiri School

Year 4

Lovelace, Hawkings and Johnson classes  
Summer 1 2023 - Information Guide



**This half term, in Year 4, our focus will be on the Vikings, followed by sculpture and food technology.**

**Writing:** We will be looking at diaries. We will look at a range of diaries, identifying the features before having a go at writing our own Viking diary! Following on from diaries, we will look at a Vikings story and retell part of the story using and applying our knowledge of direct speech.

**Maths:** We will be continuing to look at fractions, this time focussing on equivalent fractions and addition and subtraction of fractions. We will then move onto decimals where we will look at tenths and hundredths as decimals.

**Other areas of the curriculum:**

In history, we will be focussing on the Vikings, looking at their invasion in Britain. We will look at how they struggled against the Anglo Saxons to claim Great Britain, before looking at the events building up to the death of Edward the Confessor in 1066.

Following a trip to Ayia Napa Sculpture Park, where we will observe, sketch and evaluate different sculptures, we will further investigate different artists before having a go at different clay techniques including carving, slabbing and joining clay.

We will end the half term with food technology. We will look at Viking food, where children will develop their cooking techniques, combing ingredients to make and evaluate a Viking dish.

## VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

To start off our art topic, we are planning a visit to Ayia Napa Sculpture Park.

We also have our Year 4 residential at the end of the half term! A parent meeting for this visit will be held later on in the half term – dates to be confirmed.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**PE:** PE happens throughout the week, please ensure that PE kit is in school on a Monday and stays for the week.

**Home learning:** Please ensure that your child reads at least 3 times a week, practices their targeted spellings and times table facts using the resources sent out during the times table parent meeting and completes their weekly My Maths, Classroom Secrets or Bug Club homework.

**Library:** Johnson and Hawkings – Wednesday. Lovelace – Thursday. AR books can be changed daily.

**SeeSaw:** Please ensure that you have connected to class SeeSaw to receive messages and see pictures of your child's learning. Please see your child's teacher if you not yet connected.

### How to help your child

Please ensure that reading books and reading records are in school every day. Remember that you are now able to quiz on books at home as well. Please initial when you have read with your child, we would love children to read at least 3 times a week at home.

When reading with your child, don't forget to ask them questions to ensure that they understand what they are reading. We are having a particular focus on vocabulary at the moment, so discussing what difficult or unusual words mean would be very helpful.

### Additional information

Please ensure everything that comes into school has been named. Please continue to apply sun cream and mosquito repellent to your child each day before they come to school. We have a "no hat no play" policy now that we are in the summer months. Please send in a named hat every day. It is also essential that your child brings in a water bottle.