



Akrotiri School



Y6

Moore and Rashford Classes
Spring 1 2023 - Information Guide

Writing: We will be continuing to work on our narrative writing this half term as well as undertaking some non-fiction writing linked to our history learning. As always, there will also be a continual focus on grammar, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling. We will also be reading myths, legends and story books, improving the children's comprehension skills and their ability to support their answers and ideas with evidence.

Maths: We will be primarily focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages this half-term as this is a key area within the Year 6 curriculum. All of these areas rely heavily on the children's quick recall of times tables facts so we will be ensuring they have regular practise of these too. We will then begin to look at area and perimeter, building upon their Year 5 learning.

In other subjects: This half term, we will be initially finishing our historical study of the Ancient Greeks where the main skills focus will be on the use of different sources of evidence. We will then begin our study of World War 2, looking at it from a child's perspective. We will investigate what life was like for children in World War 2 and also consider some of the deeper themes related to this period through a story we read. In Art, we will undertake a study of the artist Henry Moore, with a particular focus on his WW2 work and his use of perspective.

VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

We will enjoy a Greek celebration day that will involve the children making and sampling some traditional Greek foods. We will also be engaging with the Museum of London to help bring alive our World War 2 learning.

USEFUL INFORMATION

Please ensure that a **full PE kit** is in school on a Monday and stays for the week. Indoor PE will be on a Monday and outdoor PE will be on a Wednesday. There will not be swimming this half-term.

Year 6 National Curriculum Assessment Dates: This year the tests (commonly known as SAT's) will take place between Tuesday 9th and Friday 12th May 2023. Please avoid booking any family holidays for this time. A meeting for parents about the assessments will be held this half-term - date to be confirmed.

Homework

The Spring term for Year 6 is very important and the homework that we set is intended to support and enhance the learning that the children do in school. We will set tasks for both English and mathematics using the various SATs Buster books which we will give out to the children. Homework will be set on a Friday and will be due in by the following Wednesday. They will record the pages that have been set in their reading diaries.

In addition to their set homework, children have spellings from their log to learn. Please also encourage your child to use 'Times Tables Rockstars' regularly to help improve fluency of their tables as this is so important to the maths curriculum.

Additional information

Reading regularly at home is crucial in Year 6 for helping children to make progress as readers. Our expectation of reading in Year 6 is that the children read, at home, at least three times a week for a minimum of one hour in total. The children need to use their Reading Diary to keep a record of their reading and also complete regular accelerated reader quizzes. Each week there is a space for a 'reading reflection' which the children should be completing.

Please ensure your child has a refillable water bottle in school every day and that they bring a waterproof every day as the weather is rather unpredictable at this time of year.