



Akrotiri School



Y6

Moore and Rashford classes
Spring 2 2023 - Information Guide

Our learning this half-term:

Writing: We will focus our attention on non-fiction writing this half term through persuasive writing linked to the book 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. We will also continue to work on the pupils' narrative skills linked to the book 'Rose Blanche'. Both of these texts relate to our history focus of World War II.

Maths: We will be completing our learning linked to fractions, decimals and percentages and the equivalence between them. Then we will move onto other areas of maths such as: algebra, ratio, area, perimeter and volume. We will also be continuing to focus on improving accuracy of basic arithmetic skills - 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.

In other subjects: This half term, we will continue with our study of World War II, looking at it from a child's perspective. We will investigate what life was like for children and women in World War II and also consider some of the deeper themes related to this period. 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. We will also be teaching SRE (sex and relationships education) this half term (weeks beginning 13th+20th March) and a separate letter will be sent out about this shortly.

VISITS AND ENRICHMENT

Spring Dash - Cross Country event (Mon 27th February)

World Book Day (Thursday 2nd March) Book character fancy dress encouraged.

Boys football tournament (Wed 8th March) + Girls Football tournament (Wed 15th March)

Dam-busters bike ride (linked to WWII) 28th March. (Further details to follow)

USEFUL INFORMATION

As time is in short supply at the moment, please send your child into school in their school PE kit on a Monday morning. They will come home wearing their PE kit. Please also send in a PE kit in their school bags on Wednesdays for outdoor PE. If they participate in afterschool football on a Wednesday, they can bring in football kit for this but please ensure plain school PE kit is worn for school PE lessons.

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 @ **1pm on Monday 13th March** to give you an overview about the format of the week and how we are preparing and supporting the students for these assessments.

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 continue set tasks for both English and mathematics using the various SATs Buster books already given out to the students.

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.