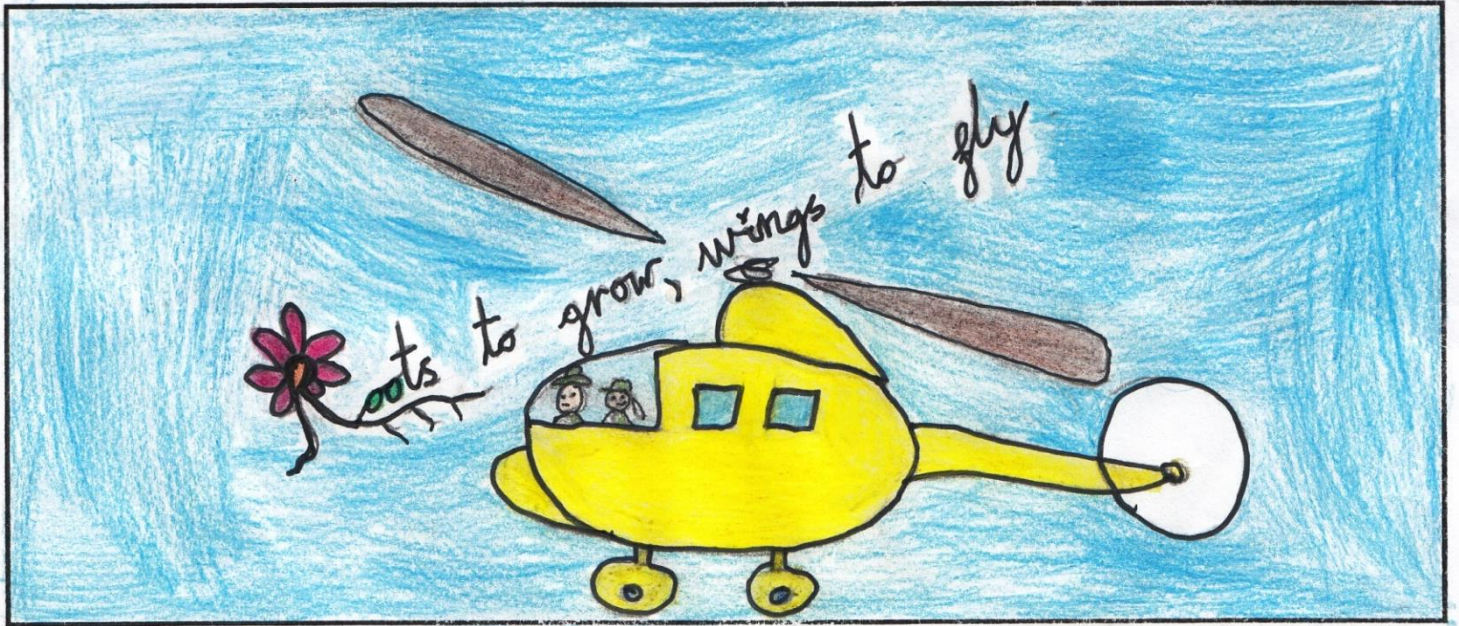


# Akrotiri School Newsletter

30<sup>th</sup> September 2016



## Golden Mentions of the Week

**Max Abbott  
Alfie Myers  
Finlay Lugg  
Ewan Melvin  
Lacey-Jade Espley  
Harry Spencer**

**Rosa Baker  
Eve Carpenter  
Gabriano Shelton  
Zac Simpson  
Melissa Mason  
Finley Backshall**



## Head Teacher Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Commendation for Mr Collins and Mr Tomlin

We are absolutely delighted to learn that two of our teachers; Mr Michael Collins and Mr Adam Tomlin, have both been awarded a CBF Commendation in their capacity as youth coaches for Akrotiri Rugby Club. We know that they both have a real passion for rugby and that they give up lots of their free time to coach the children. We are very proud of their commendation and really pleased that their hard work and dedication has been acknowledged.

Mr Mick Clarke who used to work for us as an LSA has also been included in the commendation. Many congratulations to them all.

### Battle of Britain comes to Akrotiri School

Many thanks to Padre Matt, for coming into school on Monday 19th September, and hosting a Battle of Britain assembly. With the aid of some Year 6 pupils he brought the battle to life as they re-enacted it. It was a very engaging assembly – thank you Padre Matt.

### Hornets

We have continued to work hard to rid the playground of hornets. Thankfully, we have managed to eliminate all of the nests. We are going to resume snack time outside again from next week.

### Friends of Akrotiri School

We are really grateful for the ongoing help and support of FAS. They work hard to fundraise on behalf of the school to enable us to spend money on school projects and treats for the children. They are in desperate need of new volunteers to help continue their good work. Please look out for their page in this week's newsletter and try to spread the word that recruitment is their current key priority.

### Open afternoon

We are really looking forward to hosting some open afternoons across school next week. We want all parents to have the opportunity to come into school and see the children at work in their classes in addition to having a presentation from the teachers about their year group. We hope to see you in school next week.

**Rebecca Robinson**  
**Headteacher**

### **Parent Meet and Greet Afternoons (Reminder)**

Next week, we are planning to hold parent 'meet and greet' open afternoons across school. The aim of the afternoon is to allow you to meet your child's new teacher and see them working in their new classes. Your child will have the opportunity to share their work with you. Please feel free to take part in the activities on offer. As a reminder dates and timings are below. FS1 parents will be invited to a 'Stay and Play' session before half term.

Day	YearGroup	Open Afternoon Time	Year Group Presentation Time
<b>Monday</b>	<b>No meet and greet this afternoon.</b>		
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 2 Year 6	11.30 – 13.15	12.10 – 12.30
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 1 Year 3	11.30 – 13.15	12.10 – 12.30
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Year 4 Year 5	11.30 – 13.15	12.10 – 12.30
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October</b>	FS2	12.00 – 13.15	12.00 – 12.20



### **Friends of Akrotiri School – FAS**

We are a group of parents, staff and friends who have raised thousands of Euros for the children of Akrotiri School. This money has been spent on equipment and resources to enhance the children's educational experience and the school facilities.

We will be running a refreshments area in the School Foyer from 1300-1400 hrs on Thursday 6th October to coincide with some of the year group open afternoons. We will have tea, coffee, soft drinks and homemade cakes and treats available. Please come and join us for a cuppa and cake and maybe find out more about what we do.

### **Reading Force Scrapbook**

**Have you sent off for your free book yet?**

**All you need to do is fill in the postcard from the Reading Force Scrapbook (you do not even need a stamp!) and you will receive a FREE BOOK.**

**If you have mislaid your scrapbook please let your teacher or Miss Kirby know and we will give you another.**



### **SGC - New members needed to support the school**

We currently have some vacancies on the SGC committee due to natural turnover.

This has been mentioned at the Station Commander's Briefing, however, we want to ensure that everyone from the community has the opportunity of volunteering. The commitment can be time consuming, meetings are held in the evening but regular visits to the school are encouraged during normal school working hours.

Our governors usually find the role rewarding and fulfilling.

Experience is not required, but is useful, as training will be given.

Anyone who is interested is invited to attend an informal meeting to find out more on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 11:00 hrs in the school.

## **Academic Calendar for 2016-2017**

<b>AUTUMN TERM 2016</b>	
Staff Training Days	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> and Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
First day for children	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September
Open Afternoons Parents/Teachers meeting	Week Beginning 3 <sup>rd</sup> October
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents Forum FS1-Y6	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November in Foundation Stage Hall 1230-1330 hrs.
Last Day of Term	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December

<b>SPRING TERM 2017</b>	
Staff Training Day	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January
First day for children	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February
Last Day of Term	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April

<b>SUMMER TERM 2017</b>	
First Day of Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day Holiday	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July

# Community News



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## **SIMPLY DIFFERENT**

Simply Different is an opportunity for your child and siblings to meet new friends and take part in a variety of fun activities – Home start are on hand to provide additional family support.

**October 2016**

**Mini Olympics**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

**14.00 – 16.00**

**Chaplaincy Centre,  
RAF Akrotiri.**

**Come and have some fun.**

**Refreshments available.**