

# Akrotiri Schooj

Year 1





Autumn term 1 2020 - Information Guide

Welcome to Year 1! This half term our focus will be all about settling back into school and into Year 1. We will also be developing and creating a class identity around our class names. All classes in the school are named after a country which will take part in the 2021 Olympics in Japan.

Our learning this half term will encompass a range of skills to support the whole curriculum.

**Writing**: Developing a story linked to 'What the Ladybird Heard' and writing a character description based upon the Gruffalo. We will also continue to focus on Phase 3 phonics.

**Maths**: We will be learning about and consolidating our understanding of place value of numbers to 10 and addition and subtraction of numbers to 10.

**Science**: Our Science learning will involve identifying and naming plants and trees, and understanding their basic structure.

Art: we will be learning about how to use paint and careful sketching in relation to plants.

Geography: understanding maps, including identifying physical features of the local environment.

**History**: understanding the importance of Remembrance Day.

### Visits and enrichment

We will be using Forest School to develop our understanding of trees and plants, and we will be going on a walk around the station to enhance our understanding of maps. More information will follow.

### <u>Home learning</u>

We will be sending home learning books home each Friday from the 18<sup>th</sup> September. The home learning opportunities will be linked to the week's class learning, including phonics, handwriting and maths.

### <u>Reading</u>

We will be reading weekly with your child in guided reading sessions and individually. Please ensure that reading books and reading records are in school every day.

### <u>How to help your child</u>

Regular reading – 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.

# Additional information

Please label all of your child's clothes and belongings including trainers, hats, shorts, t-shirts, jumpers, cardigans and water bottles.

# USEFUL INFORMATION

PE: PE happens throughout the week in Year 1, please ensure that PE kit is in school on a Monday and stays for the week.

Library Day: France class will have their library session on Wednesday. Greece and Spain classes have library on Mondays. Please ensure library books are in school on this day to change.

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 haven't connected.

Forest School: children in Greece and Spain will need Forest School clothes on a Monday. France class will have Forest school on Tuesday.

It has been lovely seeing your children come into school so refreshed and ready for learning after the summer holidays. As the weather is very hot at the moment, please ensure children have hats, drinks and you have applied sun cream to them before they come to school.