



Akrotiri School

Year 1

Spain (Mrs Cooper), France (Miss Turner)
and Greece (Mrs Kemble)

Spring Term 1st half 2021 - Information Guide



Our learning this term..

Writing: We will continue to practise writing correctly punctuated sentences using adjectives and conjunctions. To start the term, we will be reading the book 'Whatever Next?'

Maths: We will be counting backwards and forwards up to 20, + and – up to 20 and Place Value. We will then focus on addition and subtraction to 20.

In History, we will be learning about the Wright Brothers, the evolution of the aeroplane and how its introduction impacted upon global travel. We will also link this work to some of the aircraft in Akrotiri (past and present)

In Geography, we will be learning about continents and oceans. We will use world maps, atlases and globes to identify and label the countries, continents and oceans studied.

Our Design and Technology unit is all about structures and how to make things that meet a purpose. We will be creating our own 'Magnificent Men in their flying machines'

In Art, we will be investigating and creating sculptures through junk modelling. This will link to our new house system, looking at Typhoon, Hercules, Griffin and Voyager aircraft.

Visits and enrichment

We will be using our local environment. We are in an ideal place to study our curriculum block based on Flight. Obviously, our plans for trips and visitors have to consider COVID restrictions. If you have any knowledge or ideas that you wish to share to with Year 1, please contact your child's teacher.

Home learning

We will be sending home learning books home each Friday. The home learning opportunities will be linked to the week's class learning, including phonics, handwriting and maths.

Reading

We are continuing to focus on reading and will be reading with your child 1:1 and in Guided Reading. Please ensure that reading books and reading records are in school every day for individual reading. This term, once children are secure with reading Phase 5 phonics, they will move onto the Accelerated Reading system.

How to help your child

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.
Regular counting forwards and backwards to 50.

Additional information

Mosquito repellent should be applied before school. Due to the inclement weather, please ensure children have a coat.

Please ensure all clothing is named and labelled.

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. Class teachers will inform you via Seesaw of the PE days for each class

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

SeeSaw: please continue to look at the learning communicated to you and to add your own comments, photos etc.

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

It has been lovely seeing your children come back to school with happy faces in these difficult and uncertain times; we cannot wait to spend the next half term watching them continue to progress! Thank you for all your support.