



# Akrotiri School

Y4

Johnson (Mrs Ashford), Lovelace (Miss Lowe)  
and Hawkings (Mr Ball) Classes  
Autumn 2 2022 - Information Guide



## Our learning this term:

**Writing:** Our first writing unit will be linked to the theme of Remembrance. We will be using our inference skills to investigate what life was like for soldiers in WWI and writing letters back home from the trenches. We will then apply our knowledge of food chains to writing a balanced argument about whether we should feed wild animals. Finally, we will move onto writing setting descriptions using Charlie and the Chocolate Factory as our key text.

**Maths:** We will develop our understanding of addition and subtraction of numbers up to and including 4-digit numbers. We will then be moving on to developing our understanding of length and perimeter. Our final unit will be focusing on multiplication and division.

**Science:** We will be building on our understanding of how we use classification keys to classify animals into different groups by developing our understanding of food chains.

**Art:** In art, we will be developing our use of sketchbooks with a specific focus on the use of lines to create different effects. We will then apply our drawing skills to life drawings of poppies to create a Remembrance Day piece of art.

**DT:** During the run-up to Christmas, we will be practicing our design and sewing skills. We will start off by exploring stitches before designing and creating a Christmas stocking.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

Home learning: Please ensure that your child reads at least 3 times a week, practices their targeted spellings and times table facts using Times Table Rockstars daily and completes their weekly My Maths homework.

Our library days are: Johnson and Hawkings – Wednesday. Lovelace – Thursday. AR books can be changed daily.

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 not yet connected. Please continue to look on Seesaw to see pictures of your child's learning.

PE: Children will have PE twice weekly. Please ensure the children bring their PE kits in on a Monday and keep it in school throughout the week.

## Times tables

By the end of Year 4, children are expected to know their times tables up to 12x12. The knowledge of times tables will help underpin other areas of the maths, helping their mathematical learning across the curriculum. Furthermore, at the end of the year the children will sit a multiplication test which will be done on the computers. The children should now know their 2, 5- and 10-times tables, so we will be revising the 3- and 6-times tables during the first part of the half term and the 4- and 8-times tables during the second part. You can help your child at home by counting in multiples of 3's, 6's 4's and 8's and by encouraging them to practice on TTRockstars and MyMaths.

### How to help your child

Please ensure that reading books, reading records and spelling logs are in school every day. Remember that you are now able to quiz on books at home as well. 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 ensure everything that comes into school has been named. Please continue to apply sun cream and mosquito repellent to your child each day before they come to school. As it is getting cooler please ensure jumpers/cardigans are named, and that coats are available as the weather becomes more inclement. It is essential that your child brings in a water bottle every day.