



Mrs Roberts: Sir Tom Moore Class Mrs Cotter: Marcus Rashford Class Autumn 1 2022 - Information Guide



# Our learning this half-term:

**Writing:** Our initial writing will be focusing on narrative and descriptive writing using figurative language techniques. There will also be a continual focus on grammar, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling. We will also be reading stories and other texts, improving the children's comprehension skills and their ability to support their answers and ideas with evidence.

Maths: We will begin the year by working through a unit of work on place value. We will then move onto addition and subtraction, and then multiplication and division later this term. We will be ensuring that the children become secure and fluent in their knowledge of times tables and related division facts, up to the 12 times table.

**Science:** We will be studying a unit about electricity that will build upon learning that the children will have done in previous years.

**In other subjects:** We will be consolidating and enhancing their understanding of maps of Europe, North and South America and the wider world. We will focus on enriching their geographical vocabulary and look in detail at various counties of the UK. We will also undertake a study of the history of Cyprus, focusing on British Rule, independence and the Turkish invasion.

## **VISITS AND ENRICHMENT**

We are visiting Nicosia to support our learning about the history of Cyprus on the 14<sup>th</sup> September. We will also visit Happy Valley this half term to undertake some Forest School activities in order to enable the children to bond as a new Year 6 group (27<sup>th</sup> September TBC). In addition, we will also engage with the STEM team on base to further the children's learning about control and programming on 11<sup>th</sup> of October.

## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

**PE**: Indoor PE is scheduled to take place on a Monday for both classes and outdoor PE will usually take place on Wednesdays. Occasionally, days may change but we will inform you via Seesaw in advance.

**Home learning:** Beginning shortly, children will be set a weekly arithmetic task, have spellings from their log to learn and should also be reading regularly. The amount of homework will increase later in the year in preparation for the national curriculum tests. More information about home learning tasks will be communicated directly via Seesaw.

**Library Day:** Monday for both classes

We shall continue to use Seesaw as our main method of communication and would please ask you to do the same.

### How to help your child

Please ensure that reading books, reading diary and spelling logs are in school every day.

Remember that your child should quiz on Accelerated Reader books at home in order to help them progress through the scheme and improve their reading skills. The web address for this and their individual log in details are in the front of their reading diaries. Please also ensure they have a hat and refillable water bottle in school every day.

### 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. Each week there is a space for a 'reading reflection'. Guidance on completing this section will be given to the children.