# Learning starting points at Andreas this term, things may change!

## **Literacy Skills and Challenges**

#### Year 1 will be:

- \* Practising phonics skills on a daily basis
- \* Reading independently & in groups
- \* Developing writing skills
- \* Writing for different purposes e.g Story writing, recounts, persuasion posters.
- \* Listening to fictional stories and non-fiction books about the world.

## **Maths Skills and Challenges**

Year 1 will be developing their skills in the following maths topics.

#### **Place Value**

- Count, sort and represent objects.
- \* Recognise numbers as words.
- \* Counting forwards and backwards.
- \* Less than, greater than and equal to.

#### **Addition and Subtraction**

- \* Use part whole models.
- \* Number bonds to 10.

#### <u>Shape</u>

- \* Recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes.
- \* Sort 2D and 3D shapes.

Discuss Learn Without Limits with your child to help them get smarter.



## Topic - Our Wonderful World.

#### Science

- \* Animals and humans Stages of growth and senses.
- Living things and their habitats Food chains
- Plants native to different countries.

#### Geography

- \* Physical and human features.
- \* Continents and oceans.
- \* Using compasses and maps to explore location.
- Hot and cold places.

#### PΕ

- \* MSR.
- \* Throwing and catching.

### **Design Technology**

\* Creating maps.

#### **History**

\* Changes within and beyond living memory.

### <u>ICT</u>

- \* Use Google maps.
- \* Explore Ariel photos.

#### <u>Art</u>

\* Look at art/artists from around the globe and various cultural influences.

# Suggestions for home learning

This half term, we'll explore the topic - our wonderful world. Picture maps, globes, online mapping tools and world maps will assist us with learning the meaning of the terms geography, physical features and human features. We will be looking at positional language and directional language whilst also becoming familiar with the cardinal compass points, North, South, East and West. We will be learning the names and positions of the continents and oceans of the world and understand the terms Equator, Northern Hemisphere and Southern Hemisphere, whilst also identifying the locations of some hot and cold places. Additionally, we will be exploring our childhood, where we will learn about the six stages of life whilst also exploring timeline and family trees. Photographs, books and the internet will help us learn about modern day childhood in comparison to childhood in the past. This will lead to us being able to identify how childhood has changed over time and highlight any similarities or differences.

#### Help your child prepare for their project

There's so much to learn about our wonderful world especially our beautiful Little Island! Why not talk to your child about what life was like on the Island when you were a child. Why not dig out some old photographs and have a go at discussing any similarities or differences from when you were a child or, even better, when your parents were children. Use Google maps to help you identify areas around the islands coast. You could visit the local library and find some information books about the life in the past on the Isle of Man. Alternatively, have a go at creating lighthouses, boats, ships and a range of local human features that you can find around the island using junk modelling items, lego, modelling tray or just simply drawing.

Please practise reading with your child on a regular basis. Listening to your child read, or reading books to your child regularly has a hugely positive effect on their progress in school.



Practise your Thinking Moves!