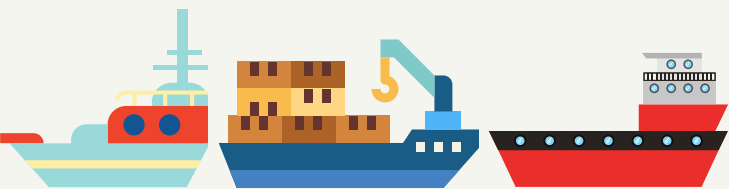




CSC "Adopt a Ship" Programme

Guide for Schools

"Providing a real-world learning experience"



Who We Are

The “Adopt a Ship” Programme was initiated by the Cyprus Shipping Chamber (CSC) in 2006 and in cooperation with the Cyprus Marine Environment Protection Association (CYMEPA), brings together elementary schools and seafarers on board CSC Members ships in order to provide a real-world learning experience for children.

The Programme runs under the approval of the Cyprus Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works and the Cyprus Ministry of Education, Culture, Youth and Sports, the latter also authorized the Chamber to approach and invite elementary schools to participate in the Programme.

The Programme involves assigning to an elementary schools class a particular vessel for direct email communication between the children and the crew of the vessel. The aim is to educate the children about life onboard, cargoes carried by ships, trading patterns, geography and any other information they may require. It is hoped that this early interaction of the children with the shipping company and the ships will encourage the young generation to consider a seafaring career or a career in shipping ashore.

What You Need To Know

The Programme is initiated by the Chamber at the beginning of every school year in September as follows:

1. A Letter and an Application Form is sent to all primary schools island-wide inviting them to express interest in participating in the Programme.
2. Once the number of ships provided by the Chamber Members is known, each ship is matched with a school class.
3. Teachers receive the name and contact details of the responsible officer onboard who will follow up the communication with the class.
4. The Chamber provides to each new class a world map to help the class monitor the routes of the “adopted” ship.
5. Each participating school is awarded with a small ship model with 6 “containers” to affix a sticker for every year of the school’s participation in the Programme.
6. Each participating teacher is awarded with a Participation Certificate at the end of the academic year.
7. Companies participating in the Programme may organize visits of the school classes that “adopted” their ships to their offices. During the visits the children are introduced to the company and participate in educational activities related to the maritime sector.





What You Need To Do

The Teacher:

- Is responsible for the communication.
- Receives the details of the ship and informs the class.
- Informs the ship about the class, the school, etc.
- Communicates with the ship once a week.
- Informs the class about the ship's news.
- If the ship calls a Cyprus port, a visit might be arranged to the ship.

CLICK HERE
To Fill in the Online
Participation Form

"Bringing together Students and Seafarers"



Participating Member-Companies:

