

## Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #10

Friday 15 November 2019

Monday 11 November at 1100 we came together as a school to remember. In a poignant tribute to the fallen Sgt Walsh played the Last Post and Reveille during our Armistice Day assembly outside. All of the children, from FS2 to Y6 observed the silence with such respect they were a credit to our community. Thank you to all involved.

Pride continued on Wednesday with the cross-island tag-rugby competition. Our teams represented the school tremendously and put huge effort into their matches. Akrotiri school came away with three trophies – congratulations to all involved and huge thanks to Mr Collins for organising such a well competed event. Our players rose to the challenge and were great ambassadors for the school.

As the rugby was in full flow, I had to overcome some challenges when I was interviewed on BFBS with other Headteacher colleagues this week. It is always good to put yourself outside your comfort zone – and helps to appreciate the challenges that learners sometimes face in school when learning a new topic or skill. Anthony Ballard acted as a great teacher helping to put our fears to one side.

Another Anthony, Anthony Ogogo, visited the school to work with children in Y2. Former Olympic bronze medallist boxer also helped to hand out certificates in the Golden Mention assembly and gave an inspirational talk about working hard and believing in yourself. It was a privilege to have him visit us - thanks to Miss Flynn for organising.

Anthony's visit and his words of encouragement come at a time when our core values have been renewed and agreed. Fitting in to the acronym HEART, Honesty, Empathy, Aspiration, Respect and Teamwork, children and adults will use these as the backbone of everything that we do. We can liken these core values to the heart of each of our learning superheroes; Roxy Relationships, Charlie Challenge, Eddie Engage and Ruby Reflective. In terms of revising future policy or guidelines, it will be these core values that will sit at the heart of our decisions.

Have a great weekend.

Ben Turner

Headmaster

