

Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #22

Friday 6 March 2020

Bore da! Cymru am byth! Diolch yn fawr iawn! Sut wyt ti heddiw! No, my keyboard is not broken, just some of the rich language that we learnt on Monday during our special St David's Day assembly led by Mr Ball. The haunting sound of the Treorchy Male Voice choir greeted us in the hall before Mr Ball shared with us the stories behind the leek, daffodil and dragon. We heard about his leek eating fame and the history of the traditional welsh clothing – it was enough to stir the hiraeth in all of us. Dydd gwyl Dewi hapus!

The remainder of the week didn't disappoint. Although dominated by World Book Day the performance of our KS2 girls' football teams shone through. Winner and runners up in the Y3/4 category our teams did exceptionally well. The Y5/6 girls impressed with their determination and positive attitude, representing the school with great pride. Well done girls – and well done to our coaching teams, led by Mr Collins.

Huge thanks go to Children's Books Cyprus <u>www.childrensbookscyprus.com</u> for donating a free book to every child in the school and giving us the opportunity to purchase high quality books for our children. It is very much appreciated and kicked off the World Book Day tremendously.

The day itself started with a celebration assembly and our vice chair of the SGC, Mrs Critchley, shared with us her favourite book 'The Snail and the Whale'. I also had the privilege of sharing a book which was inspirational to me 'Return Ticket'. We saw teachers become part of their favourite book covers, with some clever IT trickery and were introduced to CBF's short story writing competition.

The remainder of the day saw various reading activities being shared between the older and younger children and deep scrutiny of books within year groups. What I was particularly impressed with was the high standard of costumes on display. Varied and original, you have all engaged brilliantly and children represented their book characters with great pride.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ben Turner

Headmaster

