

Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #036

Friday 02 July

It was a beach life for FS2 earlier in the week when they went to the Snug to enhance their learning about turtles. Mr Winslade was on hand to share his expertise and answer many intriguing questions. The children got to see, first hand, the nests and discover more about the life cycle and the special relationship that Cyprus has with turtles. Thanks to all involved.

A little more land based, but a similar size to turtles, FS1 had a visit from Diddy the Shetland pony. They were learning about an environmentally friendly mode of transport – but also, how to care for and look after animals. Diddy seemed to enjoy his visit too, by the way he was tucking into the carrots he was given!

With all of the Y6 residentials completed, we saw the end of Mrs Dolbear's time with us at Akrotiri School. It seemed fitting that her last day was the final day of the residential as this is where she has been at her best, interacting with the children and enhancing their experiences. Mrs Dolbear has been a much-valued member of the team and we wish her the best of luck for the future. Thank you!

You will no doubt be very aware of the recent cases of children from Akrotiri School testing positive for COVID recently. As a result, we have had to work with JSHU to isolate two class bubbles and commence contract tracing. From first-hand experience, the Med Centre were superb this morning putting children at ease and getting through so many swabs as swiftly as possible. This is a real reminder that COVID is very much still with us despite the very welcome reduction of some restrictions. However, in school we have continued to enforce class bubbles and maintained hygiene procedures. We need to remain extra vigilant – we are strongly recommending that if children display any sign or symptom that you keep them at home and monitor their condition. Please contact the med centre if their symptoms continue or increase.

Finally, with American Independence Day being celebrated on 4 July, this is a reminder from an earlier notice that children are invited to come to school wearing something representative of the USA, on Monday 5 July – from red, white and blue to western apparel – the choice is yours. We also ask for a 1 euro donation towards dwindling PTA finds. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner Headmaster

