

## Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #015

## Friday 7 January

We have completed a successful few days back at school and for our youngest and newest arrivals, they have continued to settle tremendously. Indeed, around the whole school it has been delightful to see children swiftly back into the school routine and engaging well with new learning. However, we are also aware there has been a significant proportion of children absent due to isolation or COVID and look forward to seeing them back in school as soon as possible.

Whilst we welcomed in new pupils, we also said goodbye to another much-valued member of staff right at the end of term. Mrs Foxall has been a fantastic addition to the FS team and worked extremely hard to support the school vision and develop learning in FS. We wish her all the best for the future – thank you and good luck.

Generally, I have been very pleased with the safe manner in which children arrive at school in the morning. However, I have had a number of concerns raised recently about children riding without helmets and without due care and attention to vehicles when crossing roads. I remind you that it is stated in station orders that helmets are to be worn for bikes and scooters and that scooters should be ridden on the path. Additionally, when crossing a road with a scooter, children should adopt the principles of a pedestrian – ie stop, look, listen and walk. Thank you for your support on this, I will follow up during the assembly on Monday.

Finally, a reminder of the current BFC stance on COVID:

- Should any pupil or member of staff show any symptoms (however mild) they should isolate and book a PCR test
- Children aged 6 or over must obtain a weekly LFD test (negative)
- Children should not attend school until they receive a second negative PCR and are symptom free, if there is a positive case within the household

Thank you for your understanding and support of these tighter measures as a result the current increase of cases throughout the bases and Cyprus.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner Headmaster

