

## Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #27

Friday 24 April 2020

The first Friday Feeling of the summer term carries on where we left off before Easter – continuing on a journey with, as yet, no apparent destination. Understandably an unsettling time for everyone, but I think that we should celebrate what we have managed to achieve thus far. Your feedback has been vital in shaping the remote learning support that we are able to give, within our principles of simplicity and consistency. Look out for Lucy King's vlogs which gives theory and strategies for coping during these restrictions.

Before Easter, the whole school initiatives we developed really lifted all of our spirits and we have continued this with the introduction of the art installation in school – see the vlog from earlier in the week for more detail. Thank you to those who have already placed their stones and started to raise the cairns. You can enter the school gate opposite the sports pitches and by the main parent drop off zone between 0800 and 1300 to place your decorated and named stone. We are also supporting the station in encouraging decorated houses for the VE day 75<sup>th</sup> celebrations on 8 May.

Next week you should see more video clips from your child's teacher introducing aspects of the learning which will complement the weekly overviews. Remember, the overviews are designed so that you can dip in and out at a point that suits you and your family. There are sufficient activities and learning tasks that will maintain an active mind, as well as giving you the flexibility to complete within your own priorities.

Also, see attached to this email detail of CBFs writing competition as previously shared on world book day and mentioned more recently in the Station Commanders briefing this week. It would be great to have as many entries as possible – there is plenty of time to perfect your effort.

Finally, I am delighted that we have been able to open up the school library from next week. Clearly, we will monitor how effective the measures that we have put in place are and respond appropriately. Please bear with us as we take a staggered approach to opening the facility. See the timetable emailed yesterday for detail of times and year groups.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ben Turner

Headmaster

