



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Friday 4 September 2020

The first full week back – and it seems like we've never been away! Children continue to impress me with their response to learning, with many getting incredibly enthused by their new class name based on Olympic countries. I have seen examples of children trying out new languages, telling me interesting facts about their country, replicating famous artists from the country and even sampled different cuisines! Each class is completing a class display outside their classroom to proudly define themselves as that country.

Since the last letter I hope you have received details from your class teacher about the Seesaw app which will serve as a communication tool and enable you to share in your child's learning. Once rolled out across the school I hope to include a video blog next week.

At this time of year, we traditionally have school photographs taken. I am delighted that, as it stands, we have Cliff Harris coming out (UK category dependent) on Monday 21 and Tuesday 22 September. Cliff is an experienced school photographer and I am sure you will be pleased with the results. There will be an opportunity for *school-based* siblings to have their photograph taken during the school day and we will arrange that. There will be no after-school photograph session – primarily down to current restrictions. Further details will be sent out this Monday.

Further to the email sent home yesterday – I am aware of some element of email failure again – I remind all children of the requirement to wear helmets on bikes or scooters:

It is mandatory that helmets are worn whilst riding a bike or scooter as directed by the station:

ORDER NO 6: CYCLING -PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

It is now mandatory for ALL personnel using a bicycle or scooter to wear a protective helmet. It is an adults responsibility to make sure that children under their care have the correct equipment when cycling or scootering.

Please could you ensure that when your children come to school on bikes or scooters, or indeed when they are out and about after school, that this is adhered to?

Finally, I am delighted that as of the start of term we have a new librarian, Mrs Vincent. She has made a tremendous start and is looking to re-organise and stock the library. To that end, if you have any school reading books lurking at home from the remote learning during lockdown, please could you return to school asap?

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,
Ben Turner
Headmaster

