



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Friday 27 November

A blast of colour shot through the school this week. Firstly, with the tremendous response we had to the 'Colour Monster Competition' where the talented Isabella N, David O and Natalie D were judged winners of their respective age categories – a super whole school effort, congratulations to the winners. I know the pastoral team were extremely impressed with the effort and response. Well done.



This week also brought together collective 'thanks' during our special Thanksgiving celebration. In celebrating our cultural diversity, we joined with our American community and pupils to learn more about this long-standing tradition and of course sample some typical treats. With great confidence and with repeated experience, I can declare these to be delicious! The highlight of the day was the coming together of the Thanksgiving Turkey which now towers over 4 metres high in the school hall; in excess of 500 feathers, each with a message of thanks, form the impressive tail. We hope to be able to build upon this and other cultural celebrations as we move into next year too. Thank you to all in involved in ensuring the day was a great success.

Finally, during this week in which we promoting the anti-bullying theme, I am delighted by the number of Golden Mentions that where awarded for kindness and empathy. 'Be Kind' was the message I left children with during the video launch assembly and empathy stands out to me from our core values. Of course, anti-bullying doesn't exist purely as a one-off week, we ensure that it remains one of our top priorities to encourage the best climate for teaching and learning throughout the school. Be kind.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner
Headmaster

