



# Akrotiri School

## Friday Feeling

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It seems inconceivable that we are already in December and looking ahead to Christmas. Although not a Christmas that we were all expecting, there is still an air of excitement building and it is certainly something that I want to encourage throughout the school. The wider station too, has many exciting events planned in so keep looking at the comms to see how you can join in. Although the traditional Christmas performances cannot go ahead this year, we have been able to put together a Christmas song and video for you which will be released towards the end of next week. Our tree is up and in the absence of a Christmas jumper, I have been advised that a tinsel pocket adornment will say Happy Christmas in the same way!?



Before landing in December and following the success of Thanksgiving last week, we celebrated the patron saint of Scotland, St Andrew. There was a special recorded video produced by Mrs Sturgess, a teacher from King Richard School, which was enjoyed by classes across the school.

We are often saying farewell to staff and today marks the final working day for Mrs Dick at Akrotiri School, who has supported learning in Y2 and most recently Y4. She will be missed by us all and we wish her all the best for her return to the UK. Thank you for your hard work and support.

I have a reminder that we are a 'nut free school', as we have a number of children with severe nut allergies. Please be mindful of this when you pack your child's lunch or when children bring in their own party food during the last week. Thank you for your understanding.

Finally, this week I have been able to announce the successful House Captains (Y6) and Vice House Captains (Y5). We will be reintroducing the house system after a number of years without one to promote leadership, teamwork and citizenship. Further news, including the names of our new houses, will come out in the New Year. In the meantime, congratulations to:

House Captains Y6 (general and events): Cyrus, Benjamin, Daisy, Oliver, Gabrielle, Lola, Grace and Alfie

Vice House Captains Y5 (general and events): Romika, Oscar, Lucie, Ava, Izzy, Myla, Cameron and Evie

All children have been given a letter as well as the unsuccessful candidates. I have been very impressed by all of the children's applications and had some very tough decisions to make. To put yourself forward, stand up and be counted is always admirable. Never give up!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner  
Headmaster

