



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Friday 5 November

There has been some super learning with regard to the Diwali – *the festival of light* – during this last week where I was bombarded with interesting facts and new-found knowledge from children in FS2. The enthusiasm and excitement they displayed was infectious! If you are celebrating Diwali this week, I wish you the most wonderful time.

Yesterday we hosted the annual Station Commander's inspection led by Wg Cdr South and his team. It was a pleasure to show off the improvements made within the environment – a huge thanks to the volunteers who gave up time during half term and beforehand to start our programme of re-painting. The school already looks a million times better! We also took the opportunity to present Koula with a long service and good conduct certificate from LEHR and a bunch of flowers for 25 years incredible service. Koula is a real part of the fabric of our school and much loved by staff and pupils alike. Well done, Koula!

We have taken a further step towards integrating the school again this week. In a special assembly, Mrs Gibbs announced that our playground would be open to year groups 1 – 6, without the need for zoning. This will give an opportunity for children to have wider choice of activity on a daily basis and more varied engagement. Children also learned of the opportunity to get involved with training up to become 'Peer Mentors' which will make our school an even more special place to be. I look forward to seeing how this develops with Mrs Bennington.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner
Headmaster

