



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Friday 14 January

In a week where we started three classes down, it has been super to see most children and staff arriving safely back into the classroom. We are currently feeling the effect of the surge of positive COVID cases across the bases and the Republic of Cyprus and I thank you for your support and understanding whilst we navigate the changing picture. I hope, as I am sure we all do, that we start to see an easing of the situation as we move into spring.

Last week, I mentioned road safety and the reminder that it is compulsory to wear a helmet on camp, whether riding a bicycle, or scooter. With the darker mornings and afternoons during the winter period, visibility is a huge concern too. Following the success of the station in the road safety awards last term, the committee has been able to purchase a number of high visibility items and lights which we hope to distribute in the near future. In the meantime, please consider how children make themselves more visible in the poorer light and maintain good safety on the paths and roads.

Our first *'Golden Mentions'* of 2022 were awarded this morning and Mrs Robinson delighted in sharing the success of pupils right across the school. As always, it has been a difficult decision for the teachers who face the weekly battle of which child to award. It is testament to the effort and diligence of our pupils that this continues to be a tremendously tough decision.

Finally, as we yearn for light at the end of the COVID tunnel, we should recognise the troughs and seek to help each other. As Maya Angelou famously said *'Be a rainbow in someone else's cloud'* – we all have the power to create the weather.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner
Headmaster

