

## Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #017

Friday 21 January

The week kicked off with an incredible sight in the playground on Monday, as Y2 came into school dressed as intrepid explorers. There were costumes representing the exploration of land, sea and space; particularly impressive was the skill that Miss Flynn displayed navigating her way to collect the children in full snorkelling kit! Children were able to become invested in the curriculum launch, and I look forward to seeing the knowledge and skills develop.

We almost escaped the week without having to isolate a class, but unfortunately one of our Y3 classes was contact traced; we'll see them back on Monday hopefully. Please could I remind you that there is currently an expectation that children will LFD test on a weekly basis at the responsibility of the parent. Our COVID risk assessment is also extant, in that the morning routine permits parents of KS1 children only into the playground before school. All KS2 children should make their way straight to their classrooms ready for the start of the day. Thank you for your co-operation.

Since the departure of our Assistant Head, Mrs Gibbs, Mrs Robinson has taken on the designated safeguarding lead (DSL) for the school supported by Mrs Winslade in the deputy DSL role. Between them they will monitor and action any safeguarding concerns and promote safer practices. We are very pleased to have Mrs Larkins, SGC member, onboard with safeguarding too; she meets with the team on a regular basis and feeds back into the SGC.

Finally, as our links with the Early Years Setting at Akrotiri continue to strengthen, we have been invited to give you notice that a Basic Life Saving Course (BLS) is planned for March (date to be confirmed). There will be two sessions 0900 - 1100 and 1100 - 1300 and it will be open to the whole community. Expressions of interest will be invited once the date has been confirmed. The focus will be around choking, anaphylaxis and CPR and is being led by the medical centre medic/paramedic.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner Headmaster

