



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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After entering the summer term in a sprint last week, the momentum has sustained, despite the four day week. I had a very encouraging discussion regarding scooter and bike safety and will be sharing the outcomes shortly with children. With representatives from the station, we have planned a bespoke scooter awareness and skills assessment resulting in a special 'license' as well as a cycling proficiency program, in liaison with SBAA police. I hope this will continue to improve the children's safety around camp and on their way to and from school.

Y2 very much enjoyed their much-anticipated sleepover last night. For many of them it was their first time under canvas and away from home. They all did brilliantly and were a real credit to themselves, the school and their families. Thank you to the team for organising and ensuring that the children have made many positive memories. The campfire s'mores went down a treat and the enhanced forest schools experience was brilliant.

FS1 have been learning about traditional tales and are now subject matter experts on the Three Little Pigs! They have even had external help to plan and construct the houses – thank you, Mr Street, for supporting learning with our youngest children, they have absolutely loved it!

Elsewhere, we said farewell to a long-standing member of staff this week. Mrs Evans has been a tremendous member of the team, having supported children on a 1:1 basis as well as whole class support. Flexible and enthusiastic, Mrs Evans has given much to the pupils and school and we wish her all the best for the future. Thank you!

Today, Mrs Robinson and I met with representatives from the Akrotiri Village School to plan out a joint event for next half term. This has been on the agenda for a while, with both schools committed to forging closer links, but has stalled due to restrictions caused by the pandemic. We hope that this will become an annual event and allow us to work together more often.

Next week our Y6 children sit their end of KS SATs. Having been cancelled for the previous two years due to COVID, this cohort will be the first to go through the process for a while. Although their final year has been hampered by COVID and ongoing restrictions, they have worked hard within the Y6 team to prepare themselves as best they can. We are incredibly proud of the way they have tackled the challenge and they have made such great progress as a result. Whatever the outcome, they have done the school proud because of their positive attitude and rapid individual progress. We wish you the best of luck.



Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner
Headmaster