

Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #034

Friday 17 June

Earlier in the week, we had the most inspirational opportunity to engage with the local Akrotiri Village School. We took part, jointly, in a number of different sports, a dance activity and a joint art project. We matched their 49 pupils with 49 from Y1-Y6 and formed mixed teams to give the best possible opportunity for integration and friendship. The event was a huge success and will hopefully become the catalyst for further joint ventures between our schools. The children who represented both Akrotiri schools were outstanding and the staff and special visitors from the local community were humbled by the experience. Thank you to teachers, Mr Marios, and our very own Mr Robinson for organising the event. Each child went home with a special hat proudly displaying both school logos and funded by the Station to commemorate the day – a memory forever.

Y6 began their transition journey this week, when staff from St John's came down to meet children and give them information about the school and the forthcoming transition events. It certainly brought home the reality of moving up to high school and, for many, rising levels of excitement. Y6 certainly look ready to move on and their thoughts are now focussed on life beyond primary school. You'll all be brilliant!

Mrs Winslade hosted SENDCOs from across the island yesterday – the first opportunity for many to visit in quite a while. They commented on the stunning environment, the polite and courteous children and the welcoming atmosphere around school – great feedback which we should feel proud of.

Finally, today we say a sad farewell to Mrs Giles. Mrs Giles has been a tremendous asset to our school and has been involved in many additional experiences for the children which have enhanced the core curriculum. She has had a flexible approach and put huge effort in supporting learning wherever she has been placed. Having already secured a post in the UK, Mrs Giles returns as a qualified HLTA and we wish her the very best luck and happiness in the future.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner Headteacher