



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Children in Y3 impressed me with some high-quality writing when I visited their class this week. The description of entering a cave was so emotive that I could have been there myself. The stimulus for the writing had come from the visit to Choirokitia last week – this sort of opportunity is so vital in ensuring that children have the best possible chance to achieve their best. Confidently using fronted adverbials, children were able to bring their experience to life.

Elsewhere in school, we have been exploring learning through discussions with children and teachers, looking at books and getting involved in learning. The picture is strong. Having had a super exploration in upper KS2, we look forward to exploring the learning in the other year groups over the next few weeks. As a staff, we have returned to classroom visits for our meetings. Participation in training on art pedagogy in Mrs Kemble's class afforded us the time to enjoy the engaging classroom environment as well as professional discussions around our art progression.

Congratulations to the 24-hour football match participants! This was an incredible effort which raised lots of money. Children from the school had great fun going up to the pitch to watch and offer their support. Another fabulous community partnership across RAF Akrotiri – one team.

I have already started to receive applications for the House and Vice House Captain positions and look forward to reading through and recruiting to the new positions. Our house system is amalgamating with the School Council to ensure that we have greater capacity to listen and respond to pupil voice. Further information will follow.

Next week, we look forward to a visit from the RAF STEM team. Y5 and Y6 will have the opportunity to work with the team and explore science, maths and technology in action. This will be a tremendous experience for our children and highlight how important the basic skills are in terms of the wider world and future opportunities.

Have a wonderful weekend,

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Headteacher

