



# Akrotiri School

## Friday Feeling

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Friday 20 January

A sense of adventure has descended upon the curriculum this week. Y2, quite literally, took an adventurous approach to learning, and even dressed the part, as they explored the great outdoors (aka the Forest School area). They had a chance to hone their survival skills by safely lighting fires and heating marshmallows – a number one survival skill, I am informed. They also persevered through the treacherous terrain to physically explore and gather information around the site. Y2 will be using this experience back in the classroom to support their learning about Captain Scott – I look forward to hearing more.

Also looking the part were Y1 – time travellers to a more industrial time in Victorian Britain. They experienced a wonderful theme day where the staff took on (some quite easily!) the role of Victorian school mistresses and masters! When I asked the children today which school they preferred, Victorian or modern, I was surprised by the number who would quite happily go back in time! It was another super introduction to a new history unit.

Moving beyond the confines of the school perimeter, FS2 participated in an incredible visit to 84Sqn. When I handed out golden mentions, I was met by enthused children, who had a whole host of amazing experiences to tell me about. From going inside the Griffin helicopter, watching it take-off and then seeing the Typhoons pierce the air on their departure, the staff were as impressed as the children. It was clearly a special and memorable morning!

Internally, many of our teachers have been on moderator training earlier in the week. This will enable them to be used as moderators for standards in learning across the island. The conversation, discussion and knowledge sharing was excellent and is testament to the high quality teaching that we have in school. A really engaging couple of days – thank you.

Next week we have the Band of the Prince of Wales Brass Quintet visiting on Friday, which should be a tremendous end to the week.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner  
Headteacher

