



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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I had a most wonderful visit to Y6 this week to explore learning in history and music. The current history unit, studying the Ancient Greeks, has been brought alive through the use of high-quality artefacts and a real-life experience - the 'Ancient Greek Life' day, that children experienced last week. What I saw this week was incredibly deep discussion and evidence of tremendous knowledge used to explain why certain pieces of evidence would likely come from either Sparta or Athens. This culminated in a very impressive debate about which location would be the preferred to live in as an Ancient Greek. Truly impressive – well done Y6.

FS2 continued their real-life experiences which involved the police this week! Fortunately, nobody had committed a crime, but a very mysterious scene was discovered by the children in the FS2 outdoor area. With help and guidance of the police, they started to piece together the evidence and put forward various hypotheses for what may have happened. The learning it inspired was very exciting and it turns out a possible satellite had crashed to earth – see the Facebook page for more detail. The visit to the church was equally well received and gave a sense of realism to the learning the children have been doing in RE.

Elsewhere, I was alerted to a very positive Facebook post from someone who had witnessed the exemplary behaviour and conduct of our pupils at the cinema recently. It makes me, and I am sure you too, very proud of our pupils, that the values we teach and promote in school are demonstrated in the community too. Similarly, the number of Golden Mentions awarded recently for conduct, friendship and moral courage has been awe-inspiring – we do have incredible children in Akrotiri.

We completed the week with a visit from the Band of the Prince of Wales Brass Quintet. The children (and staff) were mesmerised by the performance. It is always such a special opportunity to listen to live music, but even more so when played by such talented musicians – thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner
Headteacher

