



Akrotiri School

Friday Feeling

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Friday 5 May

Literally, dropping into our week was the RAF Falcons Parachute Display Team on Wednesday. Children were enthralled to see the smoke trails as the parachutists fell through the sky to land expertly on the station sports pitches. The team engaged wonderfully with the children and certainly sparked the adventurous spirit in the onlooking crowd.

This sort of activity is an example of the tremendous experiences that we like children to benefit from during their time with us. I often talk of a sense of belonging that we strive to develop, even before children arrive in the school, and the same vision exists for parents and staff. Sadly, we also say goodbye often, but it's always good to reflect on the legacy that children and staff leave. Our latest departure saw Laura Howell sadly leave us at the end of last week. Laura has been a super member of the team and has embodied the notion of belonging and teamwork. A well experienced and empathetic LSA, Laura has added real value to the FS team and we wish her all the best on the move to UK.

Y2 engaged in a successful sleepover last night. Some weary faces greeted me as I came into school to support their breakfast, but the children looked remarkably spritely! This is another aspect of our wider offer to ensure that all children from Y1 – Y6 have the opportunity to experience a residential – adding to our idea of promoting a culture which encourages challenge and stepping outside the comfort zone. Thank you, all staff, for your support - without your engagement, experiences like this would not happen. The children did themselves proud!

Today we celebrate the King's Coronation. As I write, we anticipate a good parent support and a special Puma surprise at 1200. Thank you for your ongoing support and the part that you play in promoting the sense of belonging.

Finally, please be alert to passing on your details if they change for any reason. Recently we have been unable to contact some parents as numbers had changed. Thank you for your assistance.

Have a wonderful coronation weekend,

Ben Turner
Headteacher

