

## Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #032

## Friday 16 June

Although we flew through another week, mirroring the daily diet of aerial activity, I took the opportunity to pause today and reflect on how much children have progressed and developed over the year. During the golden mention walkabout, it was plain to see just how ready the children are for the next stage of their education – from FS1, who look eager and enthusiastic about completing their FS curriculum next year, to Y6, who look ahead to moving to high school with confidence and pride. Right across the school children echo a secure year of learning.

Learning hasn't remained in the classroom and Y5 are the latest year group to engage in a residential. They spent the last few days exploring water-based environments during their visit to Agios Georgios Pegeias. It has been an exciting opportunity where children have excelled and learnt new skills, as well as exhibiting the core HEART values throughout the week. Thanks to everyone involved.

Nearer to home, Kolossi Castle experienced an invasion, as Y2 explored the features of the castle to enhance their learning in history earlier in the week. They were able to name the different parts of the castle, sketch and discuss what it would have been like to live in and around the castle. The Y2 team took a super opportunity to use the castle as a real-life stimulus, which I am sure the children will remember for a long time.

Not to be outdone, FS2 also went off-site to visit the environmental centre in Akrotiri to support their flamingo theme. They were able to tell me all about the birds they had seen, the clues they had to find and the telescopes they used to get a better view of the flora and fauna.

External learning and support also came to us, with a visit from the Community Police team. Tom and DB introduced themselves and began to establish their vision of support for the children and school. In an assembly today, they were able to give an overview of their plan and we look forward to working closely with the team as we move into the new academic year.

We have seen an increased number of confirmed impetigo cases in school over the past couple of weeks. Can I please remind parents that the children must remain off school until 48 hours after they have started their anti-biotic treatment, as per NHS advice. This will help to reduce the spread of the infection. Thank you for your support.

Finally, thanks to Miss Cooper and Mrs Vincent for the revamped library which looks amazing! There have been many positive comments from pupils and staff about the miraculous transformation that occurred overnight. Thank you for your hard work.

Have a lovely weekend,

Ben Turner Headteacher

