

Akrotiri School Friday Feeling #017

Friday 26 January

What an incredibly active week! I had the privilege of exploring learning in Y5 with senior leader colleagues and engaged in a very deep discussion around active learning and teaching. With plenty of examples to explore, it provides a super foundation for our focus on being active participants, not only in the school community, but in our learning too. Thank you to everyone involved.

The House Captains and Vice Captains displayed great confidence and courage during the whole school assembly on Monday, to eloquently announce how they plan to gather the thoughts and opinions of their peers within school through year group 'surgeries'. Once analysed, we hope that the outcomes will feed into the children's own agenda for change. Great action from our house leaders – super effort!

Active engagement was taken straight to the source by a number of our classes this week, FS2 flying high (not literally!) with a visit to 84Sqn, which supported their unit on flight. History came alive in Y4 as the children flew back in time to Anglo-Saxon era – they experienced a number of authentic activities and I very much enjoyed some of the results of the baking; delicious!

Y1 actively took their learning to the station museum as part of their local history study today, after they wowed their parents on Wednesday in the magical maths workshop. Poetry was also in the air today as parents enjoyed performances in Y3, as well as exploring their recent scientific study of rocks. Y6 also demonstrated real purpose in their learning by putting design and technology skills to good use in the construction of model shelters, with impressive results.

Finally, in what is a very short half term, we look forward to cramming more great learning next week, which will culminate with Number Day on Friday 2 Feb.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Ben Turner Headteacher

