



# Akrotiri School

## Friday Feeling

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Friday 1 March

Firstly, a very happy St David's Day for those celebrating. Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus – gobeithio y cewch chi ddathliad bendigedig. As the warmth of the sun grows in strength, the signs of spring are here; sadly, no abundance of daffodils, but I'll take the blue sky and rising mercury!

Y3 had first hand experience of this today, their trek up to the bondu was a real success as they carefully explored the fauna, flora and history that exists all around us. They were very excited to talk about the bee-orchids, roman graves, processional caterpillar nests and smell of herbs as they enhanced their in-school learning with a well-timed field study.

In FS1 we have seen a change-over of staff this week. Following the departure of Mrs Menzies, we welcome Mrs Doyle as the new Turtles room leader. Already a keyworker in our foundation stage, Mrs Doyle will be stepping into her new role next week.

Y1 had a very successful visit from Mrs Robinson and Mrs Ball on Wednesday; the exploration of learning allowed children to enthuse about their phonics, maths and English. Teachers articulated a well thought out curriculum and children were fully active in the learning as a result of crafted teaching and purpose for learning. A great example of quality from KS1 – thank you.

FS1 and 2 were out and about again this week; they were looking for the signs of spring as well as points of interest. The latter part will help as the children embark on their geography unit and map work. As ever, they responded brilliantly and were a credit to the school.

Finally, some of our staff have been in the midst of learning and assessment this week too. Mr Baxter, Mrs Winslade and Mr Robinson have all been training for their outdoor first aid qualification and will start their Forest School Assessments next week too. Little Acorns Forest School PLC have been out leading on this tremendous training and it has been received very positively.

Have a wonderful weekend,

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Headteacher

