

# Atherton St George's C.E. Primary School & Little Dragons' Nursery



## Newsletter, 27<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Parent/Carer,

Apologies that we didn't manage to get a newsletter to you last week due to technical difficulties with IT in the school. This has all now been resolved.

We certainly have a lot to catch up on...

Last week was School Parliament Week. The children were all taught about parliament, the roles of a School Council and how a democratic vote is held to ensure everyone has their say. We followed this up this week with the School Council elections. Children wrote their letters and the children in the classes voted for their representatives. We also had a school wide formal election to vote for the two pupil 'Heads of School in Y6. The children have all been excited for the results. We would like to congratulate all those who nominated themselves and for the children who were voted in this year - you can see our school council and Heads of School on the school Facebook page. The parents of these children are all invited to have afternoon tea with their child next Wednesday (2:30) along with Mrs Boardman. We hope these parents can make it but don't worry if you can't, your child will still be attending.

We have a lovely display in the main entrance of the doves sent in by the children, the children were delivered a Worship all about International Day of Peace which was last week. They have been reflecting on this over the week and the doves are a present to symbolise this.

We have raise £140 so far for Macmillan! We would like to thank all the parents who came along to support, cakes will be on sale again at the end of the day (before if you're attending Celebration Worship) from the conference room. A huge thank you, as always, to the PTFA for organising this event.

Over the last two weeks, Little Dragon's have been focusing on mark making and Reception have been looking at the number 1 and focusing on their phonics sounds. Years 1/2 have been exploring their class reader 'Paddington Bear', Years 3/4 have been delving into their new book 'The Boy with the Bronze Axe' and Years 5/6 are well underway with their new text 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' (a personal favourite of mine). I have also been sent lots of maths work from across the school about number and place value, the children are really mastering this within their classes, even looking at negative numbers in some classes! The leadership across the MAT have met to discuss curriculum development with a focus on PE, Maths and SEND. You will no doubt have seen the Ninja Warrior days led by Jonny Urzusly that the children took part in last week (Y1 - Y6) the children had a great time and staff also developed their CPD regarding the use of equipment to enhance PE provision.

We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards

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