

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



Newsletter, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope everyone had a good week last week and are ready for a busy half term!

This week's sign of the week has been.... Welcome back.

Please encourage pupils to practice this at home, a video of the sign can be found on our Facebook page.

Little Dragons as part of our Autumn exploration we are using our fine motor and expressive art skills to decorate pumpkins. By squeezing and dripping the paint down the pumpkins we have created some amazing decorative pieces of art. We have also been going on autumn walks to explore the outdoors. Some of our Adventurers realised that we had numicon both inside and outside, and decoded to match the large and small pieces together. They worked together, counting each one to match them up. Great team work Little Dragons!

Whilst on holiday over half term, Mrs Hart found a bottle in the sea in Spain and it had a map inside! It would seem that it is of a far away island linked to the new class reader in Years 1 and 2. The children have been reading the new class reader and listening to the song lyrics to Puff the Magic Dragon. They have also investigated different fictional settings and compared them to Honalee.

In year 3/4 the children have been hot seating characters from their class reader 'Journey' The children loved being questioned and gave some really thoughtful answers. They have also been looking at the human and physical geographical features of the UK and Spain. The classes were asked to sort the places into groups of their choice, it prompted a lot of discussion and they had lots of great ideas.

In year 5/6 they have been using Purple Mash to learn about coding on the computer which can be very tricky! It is a skill that the children find much easier than the adults.

They began their Healthy Living Challenge and wrote down what their 6 week targets should be. They also took part in a dance session, representing different animals, and tried cherries as a healthy snack.

Year 4 were very lucky to have a visit today from Keith Orrell for a Let's Sing Greatest Hits session! They were buzzing with excitement as the children learnt a couple of different songs and some new singing skills. They had a wonderful time!

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards

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