

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



Newsletter
Friday, 9th November 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers,

The children have been busily creating Poppies this week for a number of displays around school and on Worship areas. They have worked hard to create some beautiful pieces of art to enhance the display in the school entrance area whilst learning all about the significance of the poppy as a lasting memorial symbol to the fallen. They have been extremely interested and respectful whilst learning more about our country's history.

The children have also completed their assessments this week, they have been busily completing Reading, Maths and SPAG work, these assessments will be analysed next week and I will hold progress meetings the following week to discuss every child, this information will then be discussed with you at Parents Evening on Monday 26th November.

We had a visitor from Mr Derek Barnes (an Ofsted Inspector) this week who is working with a group of schools that we are part of, he had a tour and met the children on Wednesday. What he said he noticed most from his brief visit was that the children and the staff were happy and smiling which told him an awful lot about the ethos of the school. It's always a proud moment when comments such as these are made.

Next week we will be taking part in the National Anti-bullying week campaign, the children will be having a number of sessions delivered by the pastoral team to facilitate discussions around this area.

Staff have also had a number of development meetings this week for different areas such as; Humanities, Maths and the Pastoral team. We have been sharing lots of ideas on moving these areas forward across the Trust to further improve our practice which is exciting. We also had a Staff Training session delivered by myself and Mrs Evans to train staff on the way that the new RE inspection is delivered for Church of England Schools, we worked together to create exciting opportunities to gather this evidence in a variety of ways which you will hear about later this term.

As the weather starts to get colder can you please ensure that the children are coming to school with their warm coats. Hats, gloves and scarves are on the way too I am sure!

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs L Boardman
Head of School

Coming up Next Week....

- **Remembrance Walk** - Meet at 10.00 am at Formby Hall/Atherton collieries, we will walk in procession to the Cenotaph.
- **Remembrance Service** - This year's Remembrance Sunday service will be held at Atherton Parish Church starting at 4:00pm on Sunday 11th November and will last for roughly one hour.
- **BBC Children in Need** – Friday, 16th November 2018 – silly sock day (details to follow)

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