

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



Newsletter
Friday, 16th November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

This week has been 'National Anti-bullying Week', as a school we have supported this by having sessions led by the Pastoral Team taking place within every class. The children have had some very sensible discussions about the topic, how to help others, who to speak to and how to access support. I am very proud of the work that has taken place. We have also introduced our new 'Friendship Stops' into the playground this week, the children have been excited to have these in place so do ask them about how they are used.

Thank you to all those who came along to the Remembrance Parade and the Church Service last Sunday.

The parade was extremely busy and the children were very respectful, we even had comments from staff at other schools. One child in particular stood out; as the Church was so busy she crouched down at the end of a bench and did not make a fuss. I was extremely proud to be contacted by a Head teacher at another school to commend her on this impeccable behaviour. Well done Georgial!

We had the Open Day on Wednesday which was extremely successful, the children showcased their learning and we also had some pupils sharing some of the school's history and artefacts. It was lovely to see them so enchanted by their local history. Thank you to all those who supported the day.

Today is Children In Need Day; we are following the trend of 'Silly Socks'. The theme this year is 'Do Your Thing', we've all got one thing we love doing, a thing we've always wanted to do or just a thing we could do, the children will be sharing what they are good at along with their classmates in a talents show in school tomorrow. As the whole school are taking part we are unable to invite families along to watch due to limited space, but I am sure they will tell you all about it. For this reason, we will not be holding Celebration Assembly but the awards will be carried over and given in Celebration Assembly next Friday along with next week's winners.

I am astounded by some of the learning that has taken place this week; Little Dragons Stickmen made of clay, twigs and leaves were very creative. Reception has been practicing their name writing, Years 1 and 2 showed off their artistic skills in the style of the artist Georgia O'Keefe. Years 3 and 4 have produced some excellent writing planning and undertaken some research on David Lloyd George. Years 5 and 6 have astounded me with the use of emotive language within their WW1 diary entries.

I am sure you will join me in congratulating Miss Fletcher on completing level 3 ELKLAN training; she is now a Lead Communication Practitioner in communication and language. She will be starting her level 4 training to further develop her current knowledge and achieve her 'Communication Friendly Award for EYFS'.

Next week, we will be holding our termly progress meeting, we will look at the results from assessment week and teacher judgements for every child in school to ensure that they are all on track and implement any interventions necessary to support them in achieving their targets. This information will be shared with you on Monday 26th November during the parent's consultation sessions.

Have a lovely weekend!

Lisa Boardman
Head of School

Coming up Next Week.....

- **Saturday 24th November -PTFA Christmas Fayre at Dorset Road Community Centre**
- **Monday 26th November-Parents Evening, 3.30 - 6.00pm**

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