

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



**Newsletter, Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Dear Parent/ Carer,

This week has been filled with lots of learning, visitors and fun in the snow!

At the beginning of the week the Leadership Team across the Trust met to discuss school improvement priorities and the wider curriculum. It was an extremely productive day, with lots of ways forward taken away for each of the schools.

This week we have hosted a number of sessions to inform parents about the different milestones within education. We held an Early Years Workshop for Little Dragons' and Reception parents, the information provided explained 'What to Expect When' for the different ages and stages of a child's development. We also had a Y2 parent workshop and shared information about Y2 SATs and answered any questions or queries you may have had. Finally, we held a Y6 parent workshop to discuss what assessments look like at the end of Y6 and how we can best support the children.

Thank you to all the parents who attended, your feedback about how useful the sessions were has been gratefully received. Any parents who could not make the sessions may want to discuss any queries or raise any questions with your child's class teacher.

This week, Mr Penning from St Mark's has delivered some fantastic Mad Science assemblies for the children across the Trust. He has looked at 'big science' experiments that have left the children amazed and in awe. The children will be exploring further work to continue their learning. Don't forget to ask your children the top three things they have been learning about in school... a nice way to find out about school life.

This week we have had Mr Barnes (HMI Inspector and Advisor) in school who came to support some of our subject leaders with their own development. During his tour of the school he was quite overwhelmed by the relationships between staff and pupils, the polite nature of the children and the ethos shared by all. He stated that during his tour EVERY child was on task and clearly focussed on their learning which made us immensely proud. Mrs Barnes would like to pass on his thanks to the children for making him feel so welcome.

We have a new member of our Local Governing Body, Mrs Thomas, who has been into school today to meet the children and staff. She is looking forward to finding out more about us in upcoming meetings and visits over the next few months. Mrs Thomas would like the children to know that she is looking forward to seeing them all again soon.

I would like to thank the PTFA for their successful 'Movie Night' last Friday, Hotel Transylvania 3 was a huge success! Thank you and well done to all involved in the organisation; the children and families had a lovely time.

Have a lovely weekend and wrap up warm as it's getting even colder tomorrow!

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