



28th April 2017

Note from Mrs Coulthard

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Thursday 4th May both schools will be closed to all pupils, except Y6, due to being used as a polling station. Little Dragons' Pre-school will be open as usual. On this day, our Y6 pupils will be working with staff to have SATs booster sessions and some staff will be having training. We have also been notified that due to the general election we will also be used as a polling station in June.

This is a busy time of year for our Y6 pupils and of course our Y6 staff who are working hard to fully prepare the children for their tests and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all their hard work.

This week we have had our first meeting of Trustees since we became a MAT. The MAT has a different governance model which consists of a board of five 'members' who meet once a year, a board of Trustees who meet at least half termly and each school has a Local Governing Body which will meet termly. As I am sure you are aware, nominations for Parent Governors are currently being sought for this role.

Both our schools are currently involved in a research project looking at marking and feedback. A number of classes will be piloting a new approach to marking and we will keep parents informed of any changes in due course. The Department of Education is interested in publishing the outcomes of this project and this is a great accolade for our MAT. As part of our research, this week I have worked with senior leaders in each school to conduct a workbook scrutiny and was delighted with the high standard of pupil progress in books.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend,

Regards,
Mrs R Coulthard

Miss Young - What's been happening this week....?

Dear Parents/Guardians

A huge thank you to all those who attended Atherton St George's Parade last Sunday. For personal reasons I was unable to attend, however I believe it was a huge success and we are very proud to start the parade at our school which seems very apt. Thank you too to all the staff who helped on the day and those in the local community who always put so much effort into these community events.

As you will have seen we are re-electing our parent governors due to the restructure of the governance structure now that we are an academy, details can be found on the school Facebook page.

The summer term diary dates have been sent home and a copy for your reference can also be found on the school website and facebook page, details of events will be sent out closer to the time.

We have had a real maths focus across school this week with a huge number of children achieving their maths times table bands... Keep up the good work!

Enjoy the long bank holiday weekend, I hope the sun comes out!

Kind Regards
Miss L Young

What's coming up next week....?

Monday, 1st May – Bank Holiday.

Thursday, 4th May – School Closed for Local Mayor's Election with the exception of Year 6 and Little Dragons' Pre school which are open as normal.

Friday, 5th May – New Life day, letters going home with details

Friday, 5th May - St George's Lemonade Stand in Memory of Joanna Yates raising money for Meningitis Now

Monday, 8th May – Week beginning of Year 6 SATS and Mental Health Awareness Week

Notices

For the safety of our pupils please do not drive onto the school car park to drop off or pick up children.

