



Friday 23rd June 2017

Note from Mrs Coulthard

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This week we have held our first ever Wings' CE Trust Leadership conference for leaders and aspirant leaders in our schools as part of a Leadership Programme we ourselves have written and delivered. I am delighted that fourteen of our staff applied to undertake this course and we have been lucky to receive funding from the DfE to help deliver it. The UTC in Wigan kindly gave us a room for no cost to hold the meeting and we were joined by Anne Bowyer, educational consultant, who also trained staff on essential leadership skills.

Pupils in Y1 have now completed their Phonics Screening assessments and Y2 have also completed their SATs assessments and I would like to congratulate them for all their hard work. Over the next couple of weeks other year groups will be undertaking their end of year assessments.

We are currently reviewing the impact of our marking pilot that we have delivered as part of a DfE research project. Feedback so far is overwhelmingly positive from both staff and pupils and we will be looking at performing a few further tweaks before fully rolling out our new approach from September. The children especially love the fact that they now get a lion/dragon 'score' for effort and attitude as part of this approach. We look forward to sharing this with you at parent's evening in the Autumn term.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs R Coulthard

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

Dear Parents/Guardian,

I'd like to begin by saying how proud we are of our sports teams. Last Friday our football team won the event at Chowbent and our netball team were runners up in the festival. A lot of hard work and motivation is always needed, well done as you have all worked so hard.

This week has been so hot, big the heat hasn't bothered us with our Little Dragons keeping cool by dipping their toes in the paddling pool and tasting new foods with different tastes.

The sunshine has provided ample opportunities for the children to practice their skills for sports days next week. Dates and times are on the school FB page and were sent out on the summer dates letter at the beginning of term. We do hope the weather is dry!

As ever, there are lots of photos on the school Facebook page to showcase the learning that has taken place this week.

We hope to see you at the Atherton Carnival on Sunday meeting at 11:45 on Meadowbank school field where you can walk with the children on a community spirited event then continue at family fun day with your loved ones.

Have a lovely weekend

Miss L. Young

What's coming up ...

Thursday 29th June – Little Dragons Sports Day

Friday 30th June – a.m. – KS1 Sports Day

p.m. – KS2 Sports Day

Notices:

Please be reminded that Parents/Carers are not permitted to enter the school car park to drop off children for breakfast club or at the start or end of the school day as **reversing cars are very dangerous in the area where children are entering the school grounds on foot.** Please also take care when parking near the school and remember that it is illegal to park in the bus lane.

