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





NEWSLETTER, 13th SEPTEMBER

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have started completed the interviews for the Y6 Knights. The children who have been allocated a role will receive their badges on Monday during our usual school Worship. We have a few children who would like to come back again in a few weeks once they have settled into the new school year and decided on the roles they would like to undertake. They all coped very well with the 'formal interview', it must have been very strange shaking hands with Mrs Boardman and Mrs Mawson as if they hadn't met them before The expectations for the children who have these badges have been explained to the children, they are awarded for those who we see as role model and who want to make a difference in the school. Should a child choose to make the wrong choices then the badges will be removed and the children can earn them back.

Maths observations have also taken place this week in every class, we have seen lots of number work taking place and the progression between the year groups has been very evident. It was a great opportunity to see the pupils and how they have settle in as well as looking at the maths environment. The maths team have also embarked upon their first meeting with the North West Maths Hub. Mrs Sheridan and Mr Shaw will be taking the lead on this along with Mrs Boardman and the new learning will be embedded into all the work we do.

This Sunday is Education Sunday. Education Sunday is a national day of prayer and celebration for everyone involved in the world of education. For more than 100 years there has been an annual recognition of Education Sunday in England and Wales. We would love to see you all at the Parish Church on Sunday at 11:00, the service will be led by the Bishop of Middleton. The children can wear their own clothes.

As part of a long-term, school-wide initiative to develop our pupils' cultural capital, we are going to be giving each of the classrooms in our school an identity linked to a significant person. Each class is being asked to select people who represent a subject chosen by their class teacher, blending historical and contemporary figures and seeking to achieve a balance gender and ethnicity. The selection process in each class will include staff and pupil input which I hope will generate some heated debates throughout this half term.

We have received hundreds of cards for Rhys, we will be sending these to him next week. I would like to thank each and every one of you for embracing this appeal with us.

On Thursday and Friday next week we have a special visitor in school... Jonny Urszuly is a Personal Trainer and Gymnast from Ormskirk, England, although originally from Budapest, Hungary. He competed in the first and third Ninja Warrior UK competitions, becoming the Last Man Standing of the latter and only the second ever to clear the 2nd Stage of the Ninja Warrior UK Final. He will be working with every class from Y1 - Y6 next week. He will be using the school equipment to carry out some excellent obstacle courses (Ninja Warrior Style!) whilst developing the growth mindsets of the children. We hope everyone will be leaving with a 'can do' attitude!

Kind regards

Mrs Boardman Head of School

Headteacher Mrs L Boardman