

Atherton St George's CE Primary School and Little Dragons' Community Pre School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th May 2017

Note from Mrs Coulthard

Dear Parents/ Governors,

This week we have seen the final group of pupils from our school attend their sleepover at The Sealife Centre. I am sure you will agree that this has been an amazing opportunity for our children and would like to thank all the staff who gave up their time to attend. In The Wings' CE Trust we are fortunate to have an emphasis upon ensuring our pupils get high quality educational trips and visits as part of our Top Ten Opportunities for All:

- 1. To work with a real artist
- 2. To learn to play an instrument
- 3. To camp out
- 4. To perform on stage
- 5. To go on an educational residential
- 6. To visit the seaside
- 7. To get up close to nature
- 8. To cook a home-made meal
- 9. To watch a live event
- 10. To graduate in style

As you are aware from my previous updates, the budget for schools is much reduced and looks like this will continue for the foreseeable future. Opportunities like this have always been heavily subsidised by school and the actual cost to school per pupil for the Sealife trip was £55 and we only charged £30. From September, and with a heavy heart, we will increase the cost of our school trips. To attempt to help families plan in advance for the visits, staff on Polling Day will be planning the curriculum and visits for next academic year and we are looking at how we can create payment plans for families to help spread the cost across the year. It is likely that other key services such as after school clubs may also be affected. Despite the financial difficulties all schools are experiencing, leaders in our schools remain committed to delivering the same high standards of education, care and support.

Have a good weekend,

Mrs Coulthard

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

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Well done to Year 2 who have started their KS1 SATS tests ('Quizzes') this week. The children are showing positive attitudes, determination and perseverance. The children will continue their quizzes next week. Many thanks to parents / carers who have supported with ensuring the children are well prepared and have a good night sleep before they take place. Again, just to remind you that our younger children do not need to know about any of the external pressures and therefore are kept as informal as possible.

This week another one of our Y1/ Y2 classes have been for a stay over at the Sea Life centre. They had a fantastic stay and everyone had a wonderful time. The children have made some great memories sleeping under the sea. Tonight will be Y1/2 Miss Kettings class staying over sleeping under the sea, we hope you have an excellent time.

The ks2 children played in a tag rugby festival at Chowbent this week. The children performed really well to win 1 out of the 3 games, narrowly losing the other 2. As always their behaviour and attitude was excellent.

Have a lovely weekend

What's coming up next week?

Friday 26th May – finish for half term (1 week) Monday 5th June – Back to School Wednesday 7th June – Class Photographs Thursday 8th June – Polling 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.



Friday 19th May at 7:30 pm

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St George's Church
Beetle and Family Bingo Evening
£1.00 for 6 games beetle
50p for 3 games Bingo
Bring your own refreshments



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