



## **Dot Day – Oh What if I Could Fly!**

What a fantastic, inspirational day! Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the event and for the enormous amount of stickers, gems and glitter that were shared during the butterfly and feather making. Many of the wonderful gold book comments talked about the glittery fun that was had!

Children and families are now regularly using growth mindset language when communicating with us about learning and activities which children take part in and outside of school time too. This demonstrates that our children understand that an 'admirable attitude', hard work and effort are essential qualities to be successful.

We are really looking forward to creating many displays throughout our academy using the butterflies and feathers and also the family learning logs. Please remember to send in your completed masterpiece after half term. Once again thank you for your continued support.



## **Year 6 Assembly**

Well done to Year 6! A wonderful assembly about, 'real life superheroes!' They shared with the children and parents their knowledge of inspirational figures such as Rosa Parkes, Martin Luther King and Mother Teresa.

## **Clever Calculating Day – Back to School!**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

Learn alongside your child how to use the maths strategies that are taught throughout school.

**Please note** – no pre-school children will be allowed to attend the session.

**Year 1** have enjoyed their visit to Longton library today.

The children went on an 'African Journey' and also used virtual reality to bring stories to life.

The children loved having the opportunity to explore the library and read for pleasure!



**The Footprints Team** have carried out a portrait competition of our wonderful Footprints staff. The winners were announced this morning in our celebration assembly – well done!



# **Continuing the Learning Journey**



## Be Safe

As you are aware, 'be safe' is one of our school expectations and something that we take very seriously as an academy. We need your help and support in ensuring that your children are safe before and after school.

If you have a younger child who you collect before waiting for an older sibling to be released from a different key stage, the child **must** remain with you, at your side. Please communicate this message to any other adult who may collect your child on your behalf. Children must **never** be allowed to climb or sit on the wall at the front of the school building or play around the parked cars. We also ask that if your child comes to school on a bike or scooter, this is only used when children have left the school premises. I am sure that you can appreciate how busy this area is at the beginning and end of the day and we need to ensure that everyone - children, adults and staff - are safe.

Children in Key Stage 2 should not be arriving on the school premises **before 8.45 a.m.** as there are no staff to supervise children before this time. If children do need to be dropped off before this time, please book your child in to Footprints.

We have contacted the City Council's parking enforcement team and police in relation to inconsiderate and dangerous parking in the surrounding streets before and after school. If at all possible, please park further away and walk or car share as a way to try to alleviate congestion at peak times during the day. Be aware that the enforcement car will be in the area and will fine cars parked inconsiderately.

Thank you for your support.



Please send in to school with your child, empty (clean) plastic bottles, as Year 5 are recycling the bottles by making them in to poppies. The poppies will be decorated by the Year 5 pupils and put together to form a beautiful and poignant display in preparation for Remembrance Day.



### Upcoming diary dates

Children return to school after half term on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

7 <sup>th</sup> November (9.15 am)	Year 2 Parents Back to School Reading Family Fun
8 <sup>th</sup> November (9.15 am)	Year 1 Phonics Fun – Family Learning
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Children's Individual Photographs
13 <sup>th</sup> November (9.15 am)	Year 6 Parents Back to School Reading Family Fun

