Friday 4th March 2016

**Ian Patten Class 3 visit - Mr McAteer.**

On arrival at school I was met by the most welcoming staff.

My visit was to observe a lesson and look at the pupils books. On arrival to class 3, the pupils were focused on their phonic programme lesson. (chicktionary, creates words from a letter bank) there was a clear pupil differentiation on the word levels. Using cards in groups they had to use verbs, adjectives and Nouns, they had to use these to describe what was on the cards.

Eg: Giraffe a naming word , Noun

The whole class were involved.

They had a few questions to ask themselves.

1. Can I identify a word to describe foods?
2. Can I write a food evaluation?

Using words groups like

See: look, like, Juicy, bright colour, fresh feeling

Feel: Rough smooth using our senses

Taste: Juicy, sweet, sour, tangy, soft and juicy

**Writing lesson**

Lesson Objective - To write a review on their likes and dislikes.

I found this lesson to be a very well balanced and took into consideration all of the pupils abilities and needs. Food the pupils were reviewing were Croissants, crepes and baguettes. I feel this was a great way for them to stay focused on the lesson in hand.

I also had the opportunity to have a look at their books from the beginning of this year, September to date. I could see a clear improvement in writing skills and in the content and volume of work, I could also see a clear understanding from the pupil’s books of self marking using the traffic light system.

I found Mr McAteer, Mrs Ward and Mrs Wynne to be supportive of each and every pupil, expertly helping them to develop to their potential.

The main lesson objective was to get the children to be food critics on French Food and write down their findings.

I feel this was a very well spent morning meeting and seeing the pupils work.

I got the opportunity to meet pupils who brought their work in for Mrs Duncan to see, how proud they were! I also had the opportunity to ask questions about their learning and if they enjoyed their time at Orrets meadow and the self marking system they all use. As always I discovered how passionate they were about their work and how they enjoy their time at Orrets Meadow.

I always enjoy visiting and listening to the pupils about their learning journey.

I would like to take this time to thank all in Class 3. I am looking forward to seeing you all very soon

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