



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 05

WORSHIP THEME - Be Your Best Self

This week in worship we have continued to look at the theme of always trying to do your best and presenting your self in the best possible way. The children were shown our two school brass bells, one looked really dirty and tarnished and the other looked shinier and brighter. When both bells were new they were both bright and shiny and looked their best. The trouble with brass is that it slowly becomes tarnished, loses its shine, underneath the bell still works just as well, it just doesn't look so good.

It was explained to the children that we can all be a bit like the brass bell—inside each of us is our good, beautiful shiny self, just as bright and shiny as the day we were made. But staying that way can be hard work because we all make mistakes and sometimes do the wrong thing. Sometimes we don't show our best selves and we muck around in class, don't do our homework, say nasty things, hurt other people. This makes us tarnished like the old bell.

The good news is that at anytime we can stop this and change. We can start working on being our best selves. We can start polishing and become shiny and new like our old bell. Every time we do the right thing, show kindness and help others we are giving ourselves a polish and showing our best self. By being our best selves we reflect the love that God shows each an every one of us

POSITIVE COVID TESTS

I am aware that the number of positive COVID cases in secondary schools is very high at the moment and this is affecting some of our families in school.

The current guidance is that if someone has symptoms or has a positive lateral flow test they must go for a PCR test. If this is positive then this person must self-isolate for 10 days. Anyone who is a close contact, should then also go for a PCR test. If this is negative then this person does not have to isolate, unless they then develop symptoms. The guidance also states that that the close contact should then lateral flow test each day as an extra precaution.

As we go into the winter months it is likely that the number of positive cases will increase again and we want to make sure that we keep our school community as safe as possible and we need your help with this. I am therefore asking that if a child is a close contact of someone who tests positive with a lateral flow or PCR test that they get a PCR test straight away and do not attend school until the result comes back negative. They are then free to return to school

as normal. This may mean that a child misses a day of learning whilst awaiting the result, but it will help to keep everyone safe. We would really appreciate everyone's help with this—thank you.

WINTER UNIFORM REMINDER

From Monday all children must come to school wearing winter uniform which means a white shirt or blouse with a school tie. Polo shirts should not be worn to school. Please make sure that you have found your child's school tie ready for Monday morning.

Whilst writing please can I remind everyone that trainers should not be worn to school, children should wear school shoes that can be polished. Boots, (without prior permission) should not be worn to school, only school shoes. Thank you we do take pride in making sure that our school community looks smart and ready to learn.

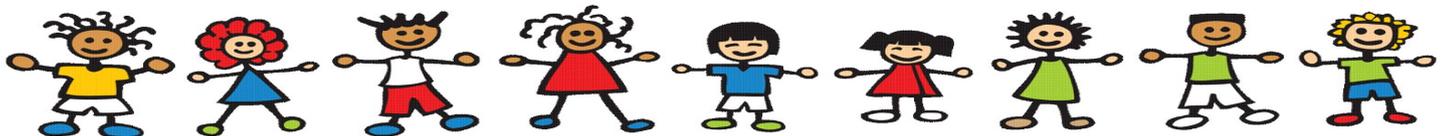
HARVEST FESTIVAL REMINDER

A reminder that we are celebrating Harvest Festival at school next Thursday 7th October and we would appreciate donations for the local Foodbank. Items that are most helpful include tinned fruit, vegetables, soup and meat, coffee, UHT milk, fruit juice and biscuits. There are not currently in need of cereal, pasta, rice and tea. Thank you in advance for your donations. Thank you to the parents who have offered to help Key Stage 2 with walking to the church. If you have offered to help please can you meet us at school at 1:30 pm—thank you.

A reminder that our Infant Harvest Festival is starting at 9:30am in the school hall and one person is invited to watch from each family. Please make sure you do not attend if you have any symptoms and test LFD test before attending and wear a mask if possible.

BIKEABILITY

This week Year 6 have been doing their Bikeability training. This supports children to learn to ride their bikes safely on the roads. This is really important preparation for moving to secondary school when children have more independence and need greater road awareness. The children have really enjoyed this experience and impressed the instructors; they have represented our school brilliantly. Well done!



Wonderful Weekly News

 Star Learners 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bobbi • Gabriel
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amelia • Eleanor
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erin J • Grayson
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reuben • Erin
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoe • Layla
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sammy • Alfie
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tabitha • Tommy

 Star Writers 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killian
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Villy
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruby
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ava
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leo
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ava
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mollie

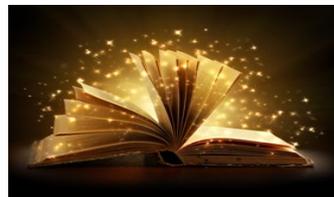
 Maths Wizards 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Savannah
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Darcey
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alfie
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edward
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lisa
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noah

 Party Point Champions 	
Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honey 	Year 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eleanor
Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oscar 	Year 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bella B
Year 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freddie 	Year 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malachy
Congratulations	

Gold Book Awards for Outstanding Work
 

Attendance Award

Reception

Congratulations Everyone

