



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 08

WORSHIP THEME—Be Thankful

On Monday Father Kevin came in and led his last worship with us at school before he retires at the end of the month.

Father Kevin told us all a story about an elephant who was granted some wishes. One day the elephant saw an antelope running and he thought, I wish I could run like that, so he wished to have legs like an antelope so he could run fast. His wish was granted and he was the first elephantelope.

He was happy for a little while until one day he saw a pelican with a magnificent beak scooping up lots of food and he thought, I wish I could do that, so asked to be given a beak like a pelican. His wish was granted and he became an elephantelopeican.

Very soon afterwards he heard the most beautiful sound; it was a canary singing. The elephant was jealous that he could not sing like the canary so he asked to be able to sing. He was told this was his last wish and he became an elephantelopeicanary.

He was happy again, until one day he saw himself in a mirror and he looked at himself and was shocked he looked so silly and nothing like an elephant. He started to cry and begged to be turned back to an elephant.

Sometimes we forget to be thankful for what we do have and always look to have more or be more like someone else. Father Kevin reminded us all that God loves each and everyone of us just as we are. We are all unique and special and don't need to change how we look on the outside but need to work hard to learn to be our best selves in the way that we behave and act.

GARDEN DESIGN AWARDS

Last week I wished Kristina Clode, who designed and helped us build our beautiful sensory garden, good luck as our garden had been nominated for an award at the prestigious Society of Garden Designers awards ceremony in London.

I am thrilled to be able to tell you that Kristina received not one, but two awards for our sensory garden. She won best in her category for a garden design for the environment, but also won the Judges' Award. Head judge Richard Sneesby said of the garden, "It's generous, beautiful, stimulating, creative, all the things that you want a garden to be, and it possibly sets a new high bar for school grounds in the future. Not only does this illustrate what can be done with a tiny budget and the generosity of

people's time, most importantly it's really good design."

Huge congratulations to Kristina and great recognition of her talent and thanks to everyone who gave their time to help create the garden. For more information there is a full article in the Rye News.

PARENT VISITS

Many classes this week had end of topic celebrations where parents could come in and see some of the children's learning. It has been a long time since we have been able to do this. We hope that you enjoyed sharing your child's learning with them as much as they did with you. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support.

Y6 DAY OF DEAD CELEBRATIONS



Year 6 went big with their end of topic celebration with a Day of the Dead festival. The children dressed up, made Mexican food and learnt Mexican hat dancing. Parents came along to watch the dancing and share in the Mexican

food they had created. A great time was had by all.

RECEPTION PARK VISIT

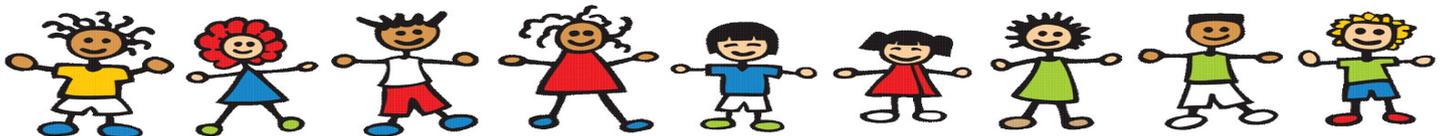
The children in reception had their first trip outside of school today when they walked to the local park and played in the playground. This was great for the children's physical development and play skills. They really challenged themselves and we had some great climbing skills being developed. Look out for photos on Tapestry.

SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

A reminder to all Year 6 parents, that if you have not already completed your secondary school application that this needs to be completed online by the deadline of Sunday 31st October.

INSET DAYS

A reminder that Term 2 starts with two INSET days as all staff are having training on Philosophy for Children. Term 2 for all children will start on Wednesday 3rd November. I hope you all have a great October holiday and that the weather is good for us all.



Wonderful Weekly News

 Star Learners 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chelsea Arthur M-T
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tyler Sully
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lily Aida
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jack Henry
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leo Harriet
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leni Bella D
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alfie Iris

 Star Writers 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juliette
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ayda
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beau
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isaac
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Esme
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> George
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archie Com

 Maths Wizards 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlie
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ellis
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Callie
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reuben
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rege
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isla
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Madison

Party Point Champions	
Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> William 	Year 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Luca
Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jackson 	Year 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bella D
Year 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ava 	Year 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly
Congratulations	

Gold Book Awards for Outstanding Work


Attendance Award

 **Year 1** 



Congratulations Everyone