



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 22

WORSHIP THEME - Aspiration We all make mistakes

This term we will be focussing on our school value of Aspiration. We started by thinking about what can sometimes stop us from being aspirational. We decided that it is the fear of making mistakes and failing that stops us trying new things or taking on challenges.

We read a story in which we explored what the world would be like if people hadn't made mistakes. We discovered that without inventors there would be no mobile phones, no internet, no fridges and so many other things. To invent something new you have to be willing to get things wrong, make mistakes and to learn and improve. This is where aspiration can lead. We need to have the courage to aim high and use our unique gifts that God has given us to be aspirational learners.

WELCOME BACK

Well that was quite an eventful school holiday! I know many of you were let without power and water for several days which is far from ideal! Thank you for all your efforts with returning the children to school despite these additional difficulties.

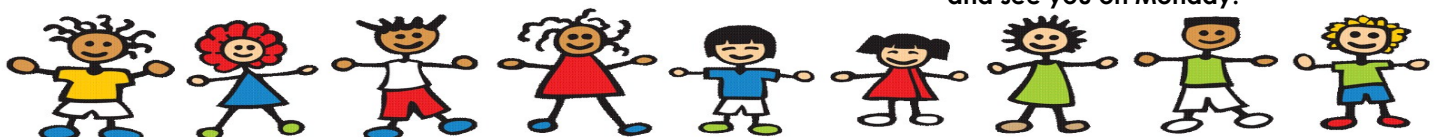
As well as the newsletter you will also be receiving a copy of the class newsletter.

SWIMMING PREPARATIONS

The pool is being prepared for swimming lessons to take place this year. We are busy giving it a bit of a makeover with new coping stones and a new cover. Details about swimming days and swimming costs will be coming out very soon to help with spreading the cost of swimming.

BOOK WEEK

We are really excited that this year we are doing a whole week of book related activities which include a visit from an award winning children's author Ross Montgomery! We know that budgets are very stretched at the moment which is why we have opted to let the children come to school in their pyjamas to curl up with a book. However, if your child would prefer to come dressed as a book character and this is something you are keen to do then there is not a problem with this. Our pyjama/dress-up day will be Friday 25th March.



AUTHOR INSPIRATION

Last Term Y6 used the *Strange but True* book by Kathryn Hulick to get them inspired in their writing. The children were asked to write their own *Strange but True* article in the style of Kathryn Hulick. To add an extra incentive Mr. Cole told the children that he would send their finished pieces of writing to the author herself. Well she took the time to read the children's work and send Mr. Cole this reply:



Thank you! Your students did a wonderful job using suspenseful, exciting writing. The way the mysteries were written sounded a lot like my book - they listened closely! I noticed that many of them used very similar sentence constructions. But they also added their own ideas. I loved the use of quizzes, and the way some covered multiple mysteries on one page - almost like a newspaper. The illustrations and design elements were wonderful, too. So many great artists!

I don't want to name favourites because I don't want any of the kids to feel bad about their work. All of them put in effort and creativity. Like I said before, I was especially excited to read about mysteries that I hadn't heard of before- they found quite a few of those. Here are some I didn't know about:



- The White River Monster
- The Goat Man
- The ghosts of Ham House
- The Mermaid Inn
- The William Lemp Mansion
- Annabelle the doll
- The disappearance of Paula Jean Welden (and I've hiked quite a lot of the Long Trail in Vermont myself!)



I hope they all continue to keep open minds while practicing the art of doubt. Best, Kathryn



You can see two great of the children's writing examples attached to the newsletter.

I hope you all have a great weekend and see you on Monday.

Wonderful Weekly News

 Star Learners 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sienna Arthur W
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honey Sully
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ava Brady
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bertie Glenn
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Layla George
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leni Nathaniel
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ruby Daniel

 Star Writers 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jax
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ronnie
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Winnie
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lily
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Layla
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lisa
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holly

 Maths Wizards 
Reception: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Miley
Year 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rosie
Year 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlie
Year 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoe
Year 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cain
Year 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Madison
Year 6: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Max

 Party Point Champions 	
Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Izzy 	Year 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe
Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issy 	Year 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tilly
Year 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Millie 	Year 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet
Congratulations	

Gold Book Awards for Outstanding Work
 

Attendance Award

Year 1




Congratulations Everyone

