



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 01

WORSHIP THEME - Thankfulness

Sing and make music in your heart always giving thanks to God the Father for everything (Ephesians 5 v19-20)

This term in worship we are thinking about our school value of Thankfulness. We started the week by reading the Creation Story from the Bible. We gave thanks for all of the gifts that God gave us when he created the world.

We then read a book together called 'The Gifts you Cannot Buy'. We thought about the gifts of love, kindness friendship, a hug, a smile and a listening ear. Things that can mean so much, but cost nothing to give. We also thought about all the gifts that surround us like the sea, the trees, the woods and the scent of a flower.

In class worship the children listened to Gratitude is my Superpower (read long can be found [here](#)) which helps the children to think about being thankful for the things that they do have rather than always wishing for me. Once we appreciate the good things in our lives then we are happier and more positive.

WELCOME BACK

It has been lovely to welcome all of the children back to school and we extend a very special welcome to our reception children who are starting school for the first time. We look forward to getting to know them as they settle in and to watching them grow as they progress through the school. The reception children have started by doing half days this week and then start full-time on Monday when they will get to meet their very excited Year 6 buddies.

TAPESTRY

Communication between home and school is very important and the teachers are keen to keep you updated.

The teachers main way of communicating with parents is through Tapestry. Each Friday the teacher will post a weekly review of the children's learning to give you a feel of what the children have been learning. They will also send reminders about class events and what the children need for their learning.

Please make sure that you have a working log-in for Tapestry and that you check this for messages and updates regularly. The teachers are also keen to know that parents have seen the weekly overview so do feel free to make a comment or like the post. If you cannot access Tapestry please do let us know so we can resend

your activation link—please be aware this may go to Junk. We hope to have all reception children on the system by the end of next week.

PARKING AND DRIVING

As many of you may know one of our new reception children was hit by a car in the village carpark this week. Fortunately the child was not seriously injured, but this could have been so much worse. The incident has been reported to the police.

Please do everything you can to prevent this from happening ever again. In the village car park please only park within designated bays and use the one way system to enter and leave the carpark. Also do not park near the junction so that everyone can enter and leave the carpark safely.

Do not obstruct neighbours driveways when parking and even worse, if you do and are asked not to by the neighbour, please do not swear and shout. This is not fair and does not set a good example to the children.

Unless you are a blue badge holder, you should not drive past the entrance to the village car park at school drop off and pick up (this includes breakfast club and Twilight drop off and pick up).

You may have to walk a little further at the start and end of the school day, but surely this is better than another child being hit by a car. Please park and drive considerately around the school to keep all of our children safe.

DIARY DATES

The key diary dates for the year have now been set and will be posted on the school website as well as being e-mailed out to all families. Please put a copy on your fridge / noticeboard at home as an easy reference to the main school events this year.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II TRIBUTES

Today in worship we celebrated the life of the Queen and marked her death with a one minute silence. We will continue to support the children to understand the events around her death and this period of national mourning and will keep you updated.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing all the children on Monday.

