



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 04

WORSHIP THEME - Thankfulness

This week in worship we started by looking at the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5000. In this story a crowd had gathered to see Jesus as they had heard that He could perform miracles. The crowd soon became hungry and then angry. The disciples had no idea how they could feed so many people. One little boy said that he had some bread and fish, more than he needed, and offered it to Jesus to help feed the crowd.

Jesus took the bread and fish and gave thanks to God for the food and asked the disciples to share it amongst the crowd. There was enough to feed everyone, with 12 baskets left over!

Jesus wanted to teach us the importance of giving thanks for what we have and for us all to learn that those who have plenty should share with those who have very little.

This will be the focus of our Harvest Festival, we asking that those of us who have enough food to share to make a donation of food for the Battle Food Bank. There is a list of items that are desperately needed at the moment below.

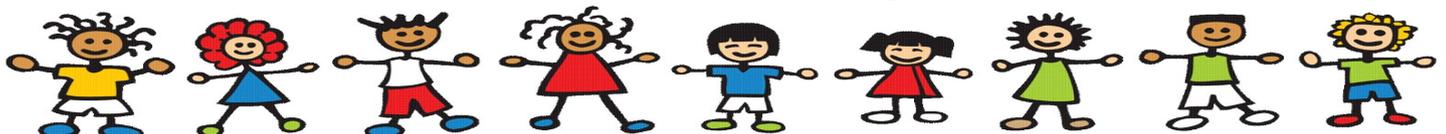
To help deepen our understanding of this story the children listened to *Those Shoes*, a story about a boy who wants the latest trainers like his friends, but whose family just can't afford them. We have thought about the difference between a want and a need and how we can help those who are struggling with being able to afford the things they need. Here is a link to the read aloud if you'd like to look at this together at home the link is [here](#).

WINTER UNIFORM

From Monday all children should be wearing winter uniform to school every day. The winter uniform is as follows:

- White long or short sleeved blouse/shirt
- Royal blue tie
- Navy v-neck woollen jumper or cardigan with embroidered school logo
- Grey skirt, pinafore dress, culottes or trousers
- Grey socks or tights
- Black shoes that can be polished (no trainers or logos)

Please note that tights should be grey and not navy or black and that boots should not be worn to school. If the weather is particularly inclement then wellies can be worn to school and children can change into their school shoes once they have arrived at school.



PTA DISCO

The PTA are holding a disco for the children as a fun afterschool activity. The PTA have kept the event as cheap as possible whilst still trying to raise money for the school. There are two discos one straight after school for the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and one at 5:00 pm for children in Years 3 to 6. Details are in the poster attached. Please note that tickets are limited for safety reasons and that they can only be bought in advance on the School Gateway. We hope the children will enjoy this event.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The children are beginning their preparations for our Harvest Festival on the 14th October. We are asking those families that are able, to make a food donation to our collection for Battle Food Bank. They are not able to take any fresh produce, but would really appreciate donations of any of the following items:

Breakfast cereal	Tinned fruit	Biscuits
Tinned vegetables	UHT milk	Sugar (500g)
Small coffee jars	Instant mash	Pasta sauce
Tinned tomatoes	Tinned Fish	Marmalade / Jam
Peanut Butter	Squash	Soup
Rice pudding	Tinned meat	Chocolate treats

They are also in need of toiletry items as well e.g. shampoo, soap and toothpaste.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that came along and supported our PTA AGM and Macmillan Coffee Afternoon today. A big thank you also to everyone who donated sweets and chocolate today for our Winter Fair. Your support is greatly appreciated. Hopefully lots of you will be able to support with the planning for the Winter Fair as well—date of meeting below.

WEEK AHEAD REMINDERS

- Thursday—Year 3 Trip to Port Lympne _ please make sure payment has been made on the School Gateway.
- Friday @ 2:15 pm PTA planning meeting for the Winter Fair in school (all welcome).
- Year 4 look out for a letter about an exciting trip to Lullinstone Roman Villa.