



# Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 08

## WORSHIP THEME - KINDNESS

"Love your neighbour as yourself" (Matthew 22 v 37:39)

This week we have started to look at our school value of kindness. This links with the fundraising that we will be doing for Children in Need and Anti-Bullying Week that also takes place this term. In December we will also be focussing on daily acts of kindness and as a free way of giving in the Christmas season. As always we will be seeking inspiration and guidance from the Bible and stories that help us to understand this message on a daily basis.

We started our learning on kindness by looking at the Bible story of the Kind Stranger in which Jesus teaches us that we should love our neighbour as ourselves. He shows us that our neighbours are all those people that are in our lives, even those we only meet in a moment.

When a man was left injured by robbers on the side of the road, it was not the priest that helped him but a stranger of a different religion. He knew the man needed his help and beliefs, colour of skin none of that mattered. Everyone deserves kindness.

## TRAINING

On Monday we had a great INSET day delivered by 18 Hours in Bexhill. We looked at how we can ensure that our curriculum provides children with a wealth of cultural experiences that ensures they are ready to be global citizens. We learnt about the importance of children not having one story e.g. Africa is poor where everyone lives in mud huts, but showing them multiple stories that shows the diversity of our world we are learning about. It was very thought provoking and we will be considering this at future INSET days when we will be reflecting on our curriculum.

## DIARY DATES

Please note that the diary dates have been updated and an electronic copy has been sent out with the newsletter. A copy can also be downloaded from the website and all of the dates are on the calendar. Please note that we have added the rest of the INSET days for the year and there are now two in February and one in April. Do please take a look.

## PTA WINTER FAIR

Plans for the Winter Fair are in full swing and a poster is attached giving you all the details. A reminder that we also need clean teddies in good condition for the Teddy Tombola. We are also looking for some keen bakers who can bake some cakes or cake donations.

The final PTA donation day is on Monday 21st November when we will be asking for a bottle donation from each family for the popular Bottle Tombola.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

You have received a letter about our fundraising for Children in Need. A reminder that the children will all be taking part in a Countryfile Ramble on Thursday or Friday next week. Children should come to school in the clothes they are going to be walking in and a spare pair of shoes. Given the rain in the last couple of days I am pretty sure it is going to be muddy so wellies may well be a necessity. At the moment the weather is looking OK for these days, but we will keep you updated.

Donations for Children in Need in recognition of the children's efforts can be made on the School Gateway from Monday. Whatever you are able to give is appreciated, but we know times are hard financially at the moment so please only give what you can afford.

## OPEN MORNING

Our first open morning takes place on Tuesday @ 10:30 am if you know anyone who is looking for a school place for September 2023 please do encourage them to come along to take a look at our school. Thank you.

## READING CORNERS

We have been doing a lot of work to ensure that our school provides the children with a rich reading environment, which has included creating a lovely reading space in each class. Each week I will post a picture of one of the areas so you can see what we have been doing in each class. Each one has a different theme.



## YEAR 6 -ANTARCTICA

This is a very cosy place to snuggle up with the a book. The photo wall paper helps you immerse yourself in the frozen lands and there are lots of great book choices lots of recommendations.

## CLASS NEWSLETTERS

These have been sent out today along with the optional home learning grid. Please take a look.

## WEEK AHEAD REMINDERS:

- Monday: Children in Need Donations open on School Gateway
- Tuesday: Prospective Parent Open Morning @ 10:30
- Wednesday: Y6 Woodland Survival Day and Parents' Evening
- Wednesday: Y2
- Thursday: Countryfile Ramble (YR, Y1, Y2, Y5 & Y6)
- Thursday: Y6 Parents' Evening
- Friday: Countryfile Ramble Y3 & Y4

