



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 15

WORSHIP THEME - ASPIRATION

This term we are looking at our school value of aspiration and how we can use this value to help us be the best that we can be and reach our God given potential. We started by looking at New Year Resolutions and the idea of doing more of something rather than giving something up. For example doing more to help around the house e.g. making you bed each morning, laying the table.

This week we looked at dreams and ambitions for when we grow up. Lots of the children had lots of brilliant ideas about what they would like to do when they grow up; doctor, pilot, vet, footballer, singer, author and actor to name a few. We thought about what we need to do if we want an ambition to become a reality and that real hope and dreams only become a reality with lots of hard work so you've really got to want it. We talked about the need to practice lots, the need to learn from someone experienced and the need to concentrate and work hard.

We also read the story of a boy called Henry 'Box' Brown, a slave working on the railroad, who longed to be free and went to extraordinary lengths to gain his freedom after losing his family. If you want to have a look at the story at home, here is a link to a read aloud of '[Henry's Freedom Box](#)'.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

I do hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and managed to have some quality family time together and that 2023 has started positively for you all.

PARENTS' EVENING

Thank you to everyone that took the time to attend parents' evening this week and we hope that you found the meetings useful and were able to get a good update on your child's current levels, progress so far this year and their next steps.

Apologies that we had to postpone the Year 4 parents' evening that was planned for Wednesday evening due to Ms. O'Leary being poorly. These meetings have been rescheduled for Thursday 26th January at the same time as the appointment you had already booked.

Year 1 parents' evenings will take place next week with Miss Highwood online. The children's assessment sheets have been sent home today so that you have these ready for the online meetings. Please look out for a message from Teachers2Parents inviting you to

book your online slot. We are very grateful to Miss. Highwood for agreeing to do this while she is recovering from her badly broken wrist. They will take place on Tuesday and Thursday.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please be aware that we will all have new e-mail addresses from Monday morning. You will still be able to use our old e-mail addresses, but when we reply it will be from our new addresses. I am pleased to say that the new e-mail addresses are much shorter which will be much better in the long-run. The new office e-mail address will be:

office@sedlescombe.school

The teachers e-mails will continue to be their initial and surname followed by sedlescombe.school for example Mr. Cole will be:

mcole@sedlescombe.school

Please be aware that from 4:00 pm today we will not be able to receive or send e-mails until Monday morning. There may be a delay in us being able to access e-mails on Monday morning as we all log into and set-up our new accounts for the first time.

YEAR 5 EGYPTIAN WORKSHOP

Year 5 had a great day on Tuesday and learnt so many fascinating facts from the workshop day. The workshop was completely interactive and the children had so much fun learning from an expert about Ancient Egyptian times.

SCHOOL OFFICE VACANCY

I very pleased to announce that Mrs. Hardees has been promoted to the role of School Business Manager which leaves us with a part-time vacancy in the school office. Mrs. Best has chosen to move into a class based role which is her preferred role in school and one she is very good at.

This means we are looking to appoint an administrative assistant for the school office for 25 hours per week working Monday to Thursday 8:30 am to 1:00 pm and Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm with a 30 minute lunch break. The full details are available on the school website along with an application form. Please share this vacancy with anyone that you know that might be interested in this important and fulfilling role.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

