



Sedlescombe Newsletter No. 27

WORSHIP THEME - Honesty Philosophy for Children (P4C)

We have been working hard to make sure that P4C is embedded within our curriculum and that the children have regular opportunities to develop their skills and to discuss and think deeply about important issues.

For this reason each term there will be a week where the whole school does a P4C enquiry at their level linked to our school value that is in focus.

This week each class has had a stimuli to look at linked to honesty and discussed a question that links to the stimulus or value.

Here is a summary of what the classes have been doing:

In YR and Y1 the children had a choice of stories to look at to help them think about our value of honesty. One of the books the children could choose to look at was, 'Honesty is my Superpower'. If you'd like to have a look at this together at home here is a link to a [read aloud](#).

In Y2 & Y3 the children had two 'Thunks' to discuss. A Thunk is a beguiling question about an everyday thing that makes you stop and start to look at the world in a new way.

- Is a broken promise a lie?
- If you believe your own lies, are they lies?

Y4 & Y5 classes used a film called, 'The Shiner' as a stimulus to generate their philosophical question to discuss. If you want to take a look, it is very thought provoking and short to watch. I wonder what discussions this might promote at home? Here is the link: [The Shiner](#)

The children really enjoy their P4C sessions, especially in Key Stage 2 where they can start to do a full enquiry. The children watch the stimulus and then generate their own questions to discuss, before voting for the question they would like to fully debate/discuss.

Mrs. Wannon is now co-leading on P4C and she has kindly offered to do a P4C session with her class on the afternoon of 24th May at 2:30 pm which parents from any year group can come and watch. This will give parents an opportunity to see what happens in a P4C enquiry and what skills the children are developing. We will send you more information next week about the session and how to book to watch this. I think the children will really impress you with their depth of discussion, so we hope lots of you will come and see them in action.

SATs WEEK

I am sure that most of you have been aware that this week all of the children in Year 6 have been taking their statutory Year 6 tests in reading, spelling, punctuation and grammar and mathematics.

The tests had their challenges this year, as some of you may have heard in the National press, especially the reading paper. Despite this, all of our Year 6 children have done exactly what we have asked of them—worked hard and tried their best. Every member of staff who has helped with the administration of the tests this week has been so proud, quite simply because we know that every child has tried their hardest and therefore whatever the outcome, can be proud. We are all very proud of you—well done Year 6!

CELLO LESSONS

The cello teacher has asked me to share this communication with all parents.

This week year 2 and 3 attended a short presentation of the Cello by a pupil at the school. I would like to invite parents of any children who might also like to learn this instrument at school to find out more at a parent meeting on Wednesday 17th May at 2.50 pm. It will also be possible for children to try the instrument.

SPORTS DAY

A reminder that sports day is fast approaching, weather permitting! Sports Day is due to take place on Friday 26th May on the village recreation ground. If the weather is horrible, then the reserve date is Friday 9th June.

The Sports Day is a fun event in which every child can take part and earn points for their team. The children race against other children in their class in a number of different events. The children rotate around different activities so that they are busy and having fun. Parents can then follow the children around the circuit of activities watching them take part and cheering the children on.

At the end we finish with a giant tunnel game in teams before we announce the winning team. We tried this format for the first time last year and it was a great success, but this year we have added even more events for the children to participate in.

The children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 take part in the morning and we aim to get to the school field for 9:30 am with an anticipated start time of 9:45 am.

The children in YR, Y1 & Y2 take part in the afternoon with their races starting from 1:30 pm. Children in these year groups can be collected from the field at the end of the day.

Have a lovely weekend and I hope the sun shines!

