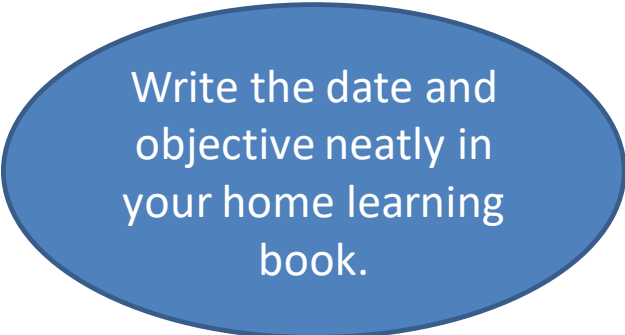


Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February

Can I make links to show how feelings and beliefs affect their behaviour and that of others ?



Write the date and  
objective neatly in  
your home learning  
book.

Today we are going to think about how people give themselves for the needs of others.

The key words that we are going to use today are:

Courage



Self-giving



Listen to this story

It was 1987. The ferry set sail from Zeebrugge on time. All the people and cars were loaded. It carried holiday-makers returning home, businessmen and long-distance lorry drivers. All of them would have had thoughts of their families and homes that lay some five hours' sailing time away.



The men on the bridge guided the huge vessel carefully out of port. The restaurant opened for service and people settled down for the voyage. The men on the car deck were making a last check of the fittings that held the cars and lorries in place. The giant mouth of the entrance to the deck was still gaping open revealing a huge swell of sea. The doors should have been closing. Instead, in an awful moment, the sea flooded in. The ferry lurched under the extra weight. The cars and lorries shifted. The vessel began to list heavily to one side.



Shouts and screams filled the public areas. Tables, chairs and luggage slid downward carrying people into the rising water and mud. Top became bottom, ceilings became floors, panic gripped everyone. Some passengers out on deck were rescued very quickly. Others were not so lucky. It was a time for cool heads and bravery to save and rescue as many as possible. One group of people escaping from the cafeteria came face to face with a gaping hole which they could not cross. Beyond it was their only way out.



Andrew Parker, a strapping man of more than six foot. He laid himself across the gap and the water that was rising fast. People climbed across his body to safety. Mums, dads and children, more than twenty people in all, were saved by the man who made himself a bridge.

193 people lost their lives.



Andrew Parker was awarded the George Medal for his bravery. Afterwards he said he was not trying to be a hero, he just did what he thought was right. A total of 31 people received awards for their bravery and courage on that day.

What do you think of Andrew and what he did?







How did Andrew give himself for others?

Do you know anyone who gives themselves for others, perhaps in small but important ways? What do they do?





Why do you think people are brave and give themselves to others?



A nun from Calcutta in India, who spent her entire life dedicated to help others. She is best known for fighting for the rights of the sick and helpless. Mother Teresa was a humanitarian. This means she did things to help out other people. Her entire life was fully devoted to helping the poor, the sick, the needy, and the helpless.





Martin Luther King, Jr. was a civil rights activist in the 1950s and 1960s. He led non-violent protests to fight for the rights of all people including African Americans. He hoped that America and the world could become a colour blind society where race would not impact a person's civil rights. He is considered one of the great orators of modern times, and his speeches still inspire many to this day.

Write about how and what  
Andrew Parker did was a  
courageous and self less act.  
How did his feelings and beliefs  
affect his behaviour?

## Take a look at this example



On the 6<sup>th</sup> March 1987 Andrew Parker put other people's lives before his own. The Zeebrugge ferry, which was travelling to Hull, had set off from port with the back doors of the ferry left wide open. This caused the ferry to flood. When he realised what was happening, brave and quick thinking Andrew rescued several people from drowning by making himself into a man-made bridge. This courageous act meant that these people were safe from drowning.



Because of this self less and brave act, Andrew received the George medal for bravery from the Queen.

I admire Andrew so much because he could have just saved himself. He was frightened to put the needs of others before his own.

Use these pictures and words to help you write about Andrew Parker



On the 6th March 1987

Zeebrugge ferry

Andrew Parker

Brave

Safety



Courageous

Self-less

George medal

Drowning

Man-made bridge



How did you do?

**I can't wait to look at your work.**



Don't forget to put your  
finished work on Class  
Dojo!