



Our Value in July is **FREEDOM**

- Ability to make good choices about what we say, think and do
- To balance our choices with responsibilities
- To appreciate living in a free country

At school we will be looking forward to the Summer holiday a time when we have greater freedom. We will discuss how we should deal with this additional freedom in terms of making the right choices and when so doing, considering those around us. We will ensure that our pupils realise the dangers of total freedom and that it is not beneficial to use our freedom to do and say exactly what we want regardless of the effect it has on others. We will emphasize the importance of appreciating our freedom by looking at other parts of the world where freedom is not the way of life and at individuals such as Nelson Mandela who lost his freedom for a very long time.

Thought for the month: 'Freedom means that no-one can stop you doing what is right or persuade you to do what is wrong.'



At home you can prepare for the holidays by discussing the best ways of using the new found freedom and emphasize the importance of sensible choices. The story of Joseph and his Amazing Technicoloured Dreamcoat is a good one to share, children love the music and it is an excellent example of the temporary loss of freedom which has a happy outcome. It is important that children are given options so that choices can be made and that they are praised for making considered and appropriate choices. Have a wonderful holiday with your children!