

## Y6+ Aspirations day with Paul Delaney

'You have a stammer, Paul, so you need a job where you don't speak to anybody all day. I'm thinking a crane driver, sitting in that little cab up in the sky all day! That's your ideal job!' (A so-called 'psychologist' said that to me when I was 14 years old...)

'I can never see you in front of a class, Paul, that's my problem.

So unfortunately, I can never offer you a place on the PGCE course...

(Tony Earley in 1994, head of PGCE courses at Christ's College, Liverpool!)

Fortunately, Paul had other ideas...

15 years a full time primary school teacher!

Paul is now a performance poet, author and professional organist, working primarily in schools all over the UK and Europe. Travels this academic year have taken him to international schools in Prague, Budapest, Rome and all over the UK!

Find Paul on YouTube, playing recitals on Liverpool cathedrals' magnificent organs and reading his hilarious poetry too. (Not at the same time!)

'It was wonderful to have Paul Delaney visit our Year 6 children at such an integral moment of their lives. Many of the children are anxious or thinking about secondary school. Paul Delaney's workshop was encouraging and inspirational. His messages were clear that you can be whatever you want to be as long as you are determined and have belief in yourself!'

**Alexandra Primary School, Haringey, LONDON**

'It was an amazing session. He really helped me to believe in myself!' (Mia)

'If you work hard at your dreams, they can come true. I really liked this!' (Liberty)

To book your aspirations day (a half day per class and usually in September or July) please email Paul - [paul@pauldelaneypoetry.co.uk](mailto:paul@pauldelaneypoetry.co.uk)

## More testimonials...

'Paul led an ' Inspiration day' with our Year 6 - they left school that day feeling totally inspired and ready to take on their new experiences in high school with aspirational life goals!'

(Amy Knowles, Grappenhall Heys Primary School, Warrington, Cheshire)

'I think it is inspiring to others to never give up on their dreams and if someone says you will never be able to achieve something, just ignore them and if you believe in yourself, then you will be able to achieve anything. This is what Paul taught us!'

(Y6 pupil - St William's RC Primary School, Chorley, Lancashire)

'Paul is the epitome of growth mindset and what you can do, if you don't give up! An inspiration to all pupils, delivered with energy and spirit that is exciting. Our children love listening to Paul sharing his stories, poems and experiences, confirming you have to believe in yourself!'

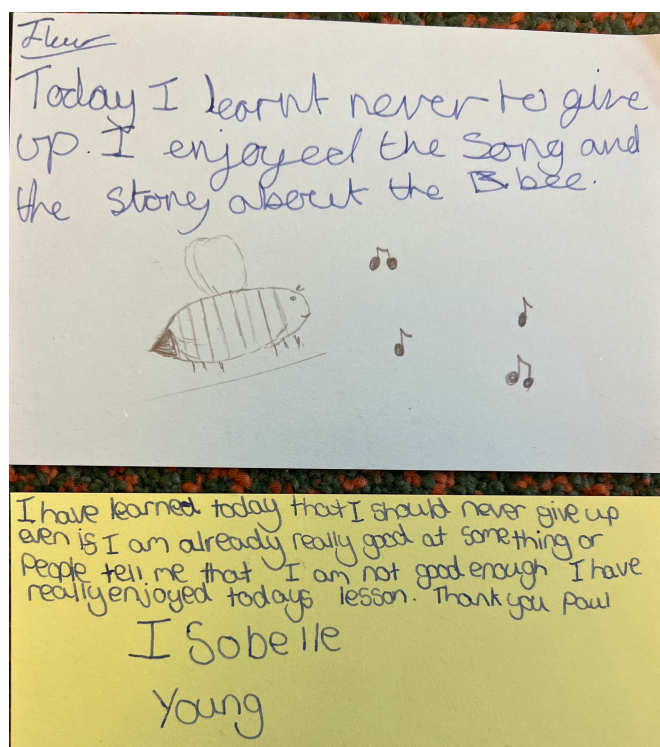
(Joanne Makin, head teacher, Oakfield Community Primary School, Widnes, Cheshire)

'Today, I learned that I can be whatever I want to be and to reach my dreams and that nobody can stop me. What we heard about the little bee was lovely!'

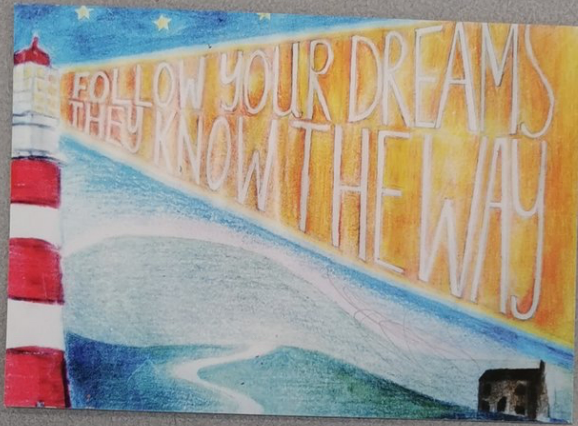
Tilly, Y6, Norley CE Primary School, Norley, Frodsham, Cheshire)

'I learned today that you are the one who controls your levels of success assisted by your work. You can't expect to be something without perseverance! I enjoyed the sing-songs and the 'I am' poem and I learned hard work proves dream-stealers are wrong!'

Harry, Y6, Norley CE Primary School, Norley, Frodsham, Cheshire)







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- Hopes and Dreams
- All our dreams come true if we have the Courage to pursue them.
- Goals
- If you can dream it)
- Never Never give up.

what people think it looks like

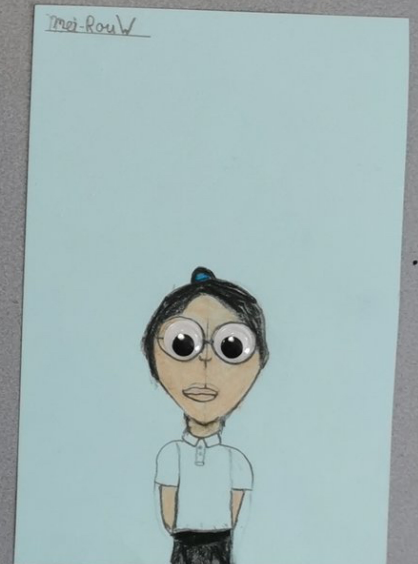
what it really looks like

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www.pauldelaneypoetry.co.uk Hopes and Dreams

- All our Dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them - Walt Disney
- "I haven't failed. I've just found 10000 ways that won't work." - Thomas Edison
- what people think success is like
- what it really looks like
- Work hard!
- There is NOBODY Like you in the world!

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Aspirations workshop work from Y6, Grappenhall Heys CE Primary School,

Warrington, Cheshire, July 2022