AT HOME SEEKING SOCRATES

FOUR PILLARS OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY: CONSCIENCE

The father of Greek Philosophy—Socrates—was also called the Conscience of Athens. For him, listening to his inner voice and following the path of Virtue was more important than anything...even his life. We hope his story can remind us to listen when that voice inside calls us to do the difficult thing. Can you recall a moment from your life when YOU followed your Conscience ...or wished you had?

Watch the three stories on the AT HOME: CONSCIENCE webpage.

Then, choose one of these stories and discuss the following questions with your family, teacher, classmates or friends:

- At what point in this story does the storyteller's Conscience come into play? What is the choice that they have to make at that moment?
- Is this an easy choice for them? If not, why is it difficult for them to follow their Conscience?
- What did they <u>learn</u> or discover about Conscience or themselves in this story? Does their experience remind you of a time in your life that you heard the call of your Conscience? If so, did you follow it? If not, why not?

Finally, choose one of these ways to explore Conscience in your life:

- Caption a photograph of Conscience and explain why you chose it.
- Create a piece of art work that shows what Conscience means to you.
- Tell your own story of Conscience in writing and/or short video.

Then when you are done, we hope that you will share your work with your classmates and, if you would like, ask your parents or teachers to share your work with us. Together We Grow!