



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

W/e 26th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have been enjoying the sunshine at the start of this half term!

As you are aware, the Prime Minister has announced that schools can reopen from Monday 8th March. We are looking forward to having the children back at school together - you will see that from the information sections the teachers have written in this week's newsletter! This week we have been making adjustments to our Return to School handbook to explain the operational details of how school will run. This will be sent out to you on Monday 1st March.

As well as the handbook, we will also be sending out a questionnaire for you to fill in. This will give you the opportunity to share any experiences over the last few months that have been significant. This information will then help us support your child when they return in the most effective way we can.

You will see that some of the work set on Seesaw next week will give the children the chance to share their thoughts and ideas about how the lockdown has been and what they are feeling about returning to school. Again, this is an important way for us to find out about the school return so that we can support all of #Team Clarborough.

Thank you,
Mrs Cowell-Clark

Contacting us

Please remember the email address for support with well-being or behaviour concerns is: parentalsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Calls can be made to school from 8:30am – 4.30pm on **01777 708065**.

Enquiries about admissions, school dinners and any other administrative query should be directed to office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Finance queries should be directed to: finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

And IT support queries should be sent to: itsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

National Online Safety

Every week, National Online Safety (NOS) produce informative posters highlighting a specific online item. This week they have mentioned 'Clubhouse'.

A separate Parentmail will be sent out to you with the full information poster on this. Please take a few minutes to read through this information.



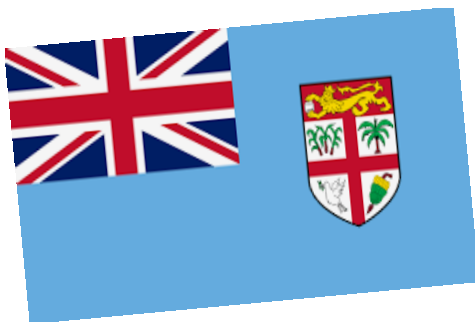
Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)

I am so, so excited that this is the last time I will be telling you what is happening on Seesaw next week because soon we will all be back together and I CANNOT WAIT!

I have loved this week's tree topic and watching the children's growing awareness of the world around them.

For our final week of home learning we will be looking at toys - sorting them in different ways, drawing them and describing them and having lots of fun with them. Let's make it a good one everybody because it's going to be our last!

Reception Bubble Group (Suva)



It has been lovely to see the children again after the half-term break, both in school and on Seesaw, and we can't wait to welcome everyone back on the 8th of March!

Next week, we will be thinking about toys - the different sorts of toys, our favourite toys, how our toys can help us to learn and the toys that our parents and grandparents played with.

We will be comparing groups of objects to see which has more or fewer, and we will be continuing to make 10 in different ways.

In letters and sounds, we will be practising the sounds and tricky words that we have learnt so far.

For our crafts, you will need card or paper, scissors, sellotape, pens or pencils, a paper cup, yoghurt pot or toilet roll tube and some paperclips. You might also want to see if you have any photos of you playing with your toys when you were little that you can share with your child!

Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)



Next week, we are going to be continuing with our literacy work on alligators. We will be using the information that we have found out this week and writing it into a non-chronological report. I hope you have had as much fun as I have finding out about them!

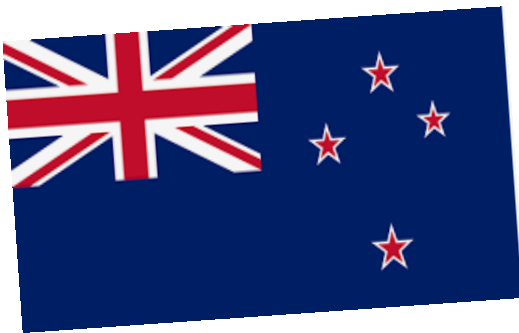
In phonics we will be learning some more alternative sounds to letters we know already.

We are going to be looking at the sounds that /g/, /y/ and /a/ can make as well as learning some new tricky words - called, asked and looked.

We are going to be continuing to look at numbers to 50 in Maths with Mrs Williams and looking at how we can sometimes count in different ways to count a larger group of objects. Miss Marshall will be continuing to look at weight and mass with you on Wednesday. Your lesson looked really fun this week with you all turning into balancing scales to weigh different items!

We will also start to look at our new famous person through our topic work but more about that next week.

Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)



It has been great to see everybody back on Seesaw this week and I have been really impressed with how engaged you have all been.

Maths

Next week, the children will continue adding equal groups and then move on to using the 'x' symbol for multiplication. They will work out multiplication sentences by using pictures.

English and SPaG

The children will listen to the rest of the story 'Meerkat Mail' and use gathered vocabulary to create a setting description. They will plan a piece of writing in the form of a diary entry.

Children will continue to have weekly spellings to learn where I will test them the following week. I will also add an activity each week with the spelling words. In SPaG they will be learning about exclamations.

Topic

The children will use Digi-Maps (more info will be sent on Seesaw) to locate the cities and countries where the Olympic Games have been held. They will also have some home challenge cards to have a go at difficult balances.

Choice board (Thursday)

The choice board will continue next Thursday where the children will choose their own learning for that day. It has been great to see the notes, pictures and videos of which ones they choose and enjoy each Thursday.

Art

Next week's Art lesson will explore Olympic logos and the children will design their own.

Science

In Science next week, the children will identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including microhabitats. They will also be identifying mini-beasts.



Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

English- Year 3 will be continuing their learning on the present perfect tense as well as choosing the correct verb forms. On Thursday we will be celebrating World Book day, a choice board will enable them to choose their activities for the day.

Maths – The children will be learning the bus stop method for division. A big thank you to you all for trying so hard with learning the chunking method. I think it is safe to say that it wasn't everyone's cup of tea, but you all gave it a good go and I'm really proud of you all. Next week's bus stop method is a little more visually simple.

Topic – The children will be exploring the Maya's beliefs and rituals, focusing on the Maya Gods.

RE- We will be researching the Hindu Gods.

Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)



Maths: We will continue our work on fractions and counting in tenths and hundredths (45/100 46/100 47/100 and so on) and also looking at lines of symmetry. They will have the chance to create their own art work based on symmetry and create different symmetrical shapes and patterns.

English: There will be a short animation video to watch called 'Playmate' about a boy who no longer wishes to play with his toy robot. Then, there will be a range of questions to answer about what happened in the video and how it made you feel.

On Thursday 4th March it is World Book Day – there will be a range of tasks to complete via a choice board. If any of the Year 4s would like to dress up as their favourite characters and send a picture in on this day that would be great (however this is not an expectation, so please don't rush out to buy any outfits).

SPaG: Year 4 will look at possessive pronouns and how to use these to avoid repetition in writing, such as using: you, us, we, they. There will also be a spelling test on Tuesday as usual, however when we return to school, the date of the spelling test will be changing to a Thursday afternoon, once we can access Spelling Shed and see all of the exciting tools it has to offer.

Topic: The children will be looking at good areas to settle and how the resources around them help them to survive. They will be asked to identify and justify different areas, and which would be the best to settle in.

Music: The Year 4s will be continuing their pulse work, this week looking at time signatures. There will be lots of opportunities to play back rhythms and beats in a bar such as counting in 3s, 4s, 5s and 6s.

Art: In Art, we will be looking at Salvador Dali and his surrealist paintings based on dreams – this ties in with the English work on 'Playmate'. Year 4 will have the option to visit the virtual Tate museum and then to create their own surreal pieces of art. All that is required is paper, a pencil, scissors and colours if required.

Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)



Next week, pupils will continue their learning about Earth and Space in Science by naming, describing and ordering the planets in the solar system.

In English, they will use the short film called 'Planet Unknown' to retell the story as a narrative.

In Maths, I have decided to save our learning about fractions until we are back at school so we will be learning about properties of shape.

For Computing they will be learning to add audio to their eBooks. In French, they will complete the second lesson about 'The Olympics'. In RE they will learn about growing in commitment and will continue finding out about duration in music.

On Thursday 4th March, we will be celebrating World Book Day virtually with a variety of book-related activities.

Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)



Next week in English we are going to be following a band of adventurers as they escape from the land of Kraznir. Each day, they will face an obstacle to overcome and the children must write about what happened.

In Maths, we will be looking at statistics.

In Topic, we will be looking at Druids (as we missed it last term).

In RE we will be looking at 'freedom' and what that term means to the different religions of the world.

In Art, the children will be continuing with their drawing skills.

In Science, we will be looking at the Linnaean system of classification and we will also have our session with Doncaster Rovers.



Breakfast club, wraparound care, 30hours and lunches need to be booked in and paid for at least one week in advance on Parentmail. If you have any questions or queries relating to Breakfast club, Wraparound and lunches please email Mrs Hardie on office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Please note for all of those attending school, if your child is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, however mild, they should remain at home. Please follow the link below to find more information about this:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>