

Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter W/e 28th February 2020

Childcare@Clarborough

At the end of last term, our childcare children had fun on Valentine's Day being showered in hearts! Mrs Gulsever and Miss Orwin showed the children they love them by covering them in paper hearts.



This week was:

Class 1

This week, Class 1 children found out about worms and how these amazing creatures create compost in our compost bins!







Class 4

Class 4 have been focusing on World War 2 in their childhood topic. This week, William L in Class 1 did a presentation to Class 4 about his great grandad who fought in the war and showed the class the medal that he won. Class 4 would like to say a big thank you to William for sharing this with them and to Williams's family for allowing him to bring the Legion D'Honneur medal and photo in to school.



Bikeability

On Thursday this week, some of Class 3 took part in Bikeability Level 1. The children learnt a variety of things such as: how to check their helmet is fitted correctly, how to ensure their bike is safe to use, using gears and riding safely.

A big 'well done' to all the children that took part, they have received a certificate, badge and booklet to say that they passed the course.





Wraparound care

Just a polite reminder that if you need to book your child in to breakfast club or after school care, you can do this via Parentmail. If you need a last minute booking and the booking window has closed, please email Mrs Bennett on sbennett@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

With regards to after school care, Mrs Bennett now has a mobile phone. This is for use after 4pm, when the office has closed, if you need to get in contact with Mrs Bennett in an emergency. You can call or text this number. Ordinary bookings must still be made via Parentmail or email.

The phone number is 07494 503117.

Schools Waste Action Club (SWAC)

The children attended workshops all about reducing waste and how they can help to save the planet. One workshop focused on worms within compost bins. The children learnt that worms have a pointed head so that they can go through the soil. They learnt that worms actually eat all day long and wait for the garden waste inside the compost bins to go mouldy, soft and squidgy so that they can slurp it up. From here the children learnt that the waste becomes digested inside the worm's body and they eventually excrete it out. The children investigated worms using spoons, magnify glasses and looked at the worm features.



On Thursday 27th February, Year 5 and 6 children learnt about the 3 R's - reduce, reuse and recycle. We did a workshop where we learnt about how to keep the planet clean from plastic rubbish that was left lying around. We learnt that most of the packaging in our lunch boxes contains plastic and it's mostly not recyclable such as: crisp packets, juice cartons, yoghurt pots and fruit winders. This teaches us to be responsible towards the use of plastic.

Our task was to evaluate the contents of some example lunchboxes we were given. We filled out a table that required us to discuss and score (out of 10) with regards to how environmentally friendly the packaging was.

We concluded that the reusable pot was the most environmentally friendly option, whereas the use of single use plastic on food packaging was the most harmful to the environment.

By Faith K and Tillie M, Class 6

V	X
Reusable tub	Cling film
Family size crisp packet	Individually wrapped crisp packets
Reusable water bottle	Single use water bottle

Goalball

On Tuesday 25th of February 2020 some children from Year 5 and 6 went to Nottingham University to compete in a Goalball Tournament against other schools. We played 9 games against lots of other primary schools. When you play Goalball you have to wear a blindfold and listen to the ball, which has a bell in it. You score a goal by rolling the ball over the other team's line at the back of the pitch and block it by lying down on the floor.

Well done to: Rosie L, Elliot T, James R, Daisy H, Harry D and Poppy H.



Swimming Gala

Some of our year 4, 5 and 6 children participated this morning in a swimming gala at Worksop Leisure Centre. They took part in a variety of individual and relay races. The children performed brilliantly and came 4th out of 6 schools. Well done to all of the children that took part.

Junior Takeover Day

Each season Doncaster Rovers hold a Junior Takeover Day during one of their matches. Children in years 3 to 6 are given the opportunity to apply to become part of the club for the day. Some of the roles they can apply for are first team coach, commentator and grounds person. They have to write why they think they will be good in this role and then 1 person is selected to fill each of these roles. Children from schools all around Doncaster and Bassetlaw enter this competition and we are proud to announce that Harrington D from Class 6 has been selected to be a Community Coach. Harry will attend the match on 14th March against AFC Wimbledon when he will accompany Donny Dog in the family stand and take part in the activities before the match.



Midday Supervisor vacancy

We have a vacancy for a midday supervisor. Please see the end of this newsletter for the details.



You said, we did:

Thank you to all of you who completed our parental survey forms last half term. It helps us to know what is going well and gives you the opportunity to suggest things that could be improved.

You said:	We did:
More homework would be beneficial	Children have spellings, reading and
	timetables homework each week. There is
	also optional homework available each
	week too. Please speak to your child's
	teacher about this.
More focus on Personal and Social Education development and mental health	Our weekly class assemblies focus on a
	range of PSE issues across the school. The
	implementation of Take 5 and work during
	Mental Health week supports our focus on
	health and wellbeing. The new
	Relationships Education becomes statutory
	from September 2020 and will be ready for
	parental consultation before the end of this
	half term – more information to follow.
Low assessment results for the school last year	Results at the end of FS2 and Key Stage 1
	were above national expectations. Raising
	challenge and attainment has been the first
	priority of this year's School Improvement
	Plan. All children from Y1 now participate
	in termly formal assessments that are
	standardised across the school.
Online survey instead of paper	We will investigate ways to send electronic
	surveys next time.

Next week will be:

Handel & Holst children will be thinking about their sense of hearing and how important it is to listen in order to understand and to learn. They will also be reading the story of the 3 Billy Goats Gruff, reciting The Grand Old Duke of York and making 10 in different ways.

Debussy will continue to learn about Beatrix Potter and her early life, as well as hear more of her stories. We will begin rehearsals for our class assembly, 'The toy story'.

Schwartz will be writing some instructions to explain how they made the Victorian toy that they brought home this week. In maths the children will solve problems involving multiplication and division and complete their work on shape by sorting shapes into Venn and Carroll diagrams. We will be bringing all of our learning on toys together this week by rehearsing a class assembly to perform to you on the 11th March.

Tchaikovsky will be focusing on different types of measurements during maths. In English, they will be exploring prepositions of time, place and cause and using these to create a diary entry from a day in the life of Joe Spud. In topic the children are consolidating their learning from Roman childhood and are looking forward to their trip to Bassetlaw museum on Thursday.

Williams will be creating their own Anderson Shelter model. After looking at what it was like during the blitz the children will have to make sure it will withstand 'bombs' dropping on them. They will also be looking at the properties of different shapes in maths and planning their own play script in English.

Schumann children will be applying their knowledge of past tense to write about Charles Dickens. They will continue to add and subtract fractions in maths. In art, they will learn how to use printing techniques to design and create a William Morris style print.

Puccini will be starting their new topic and learning about WW2 and The Holocaust. In English they will be looking at an adapted version of Anne Frank's Diary.

World Book Day

Just a reminder that next week is World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. We will be celebrating in school by hosting a 'Story Share' morning from 8.50 - 9.30am. We would like to invite you to come and share stories, toast and hot chocolate with your child (or children) in their classroom. Children are welcome to bring in their favourite book to read. Additionally, if any parents (or grandparents) have any story books from your own childhood that you would be happy to bring in and share, we would love to include this in our event. We look forward to welcoming you.

We would also like children to bring in a prop or another item that will provide a clue to their favourite book. We will be trying to guess what the book is!

Children will also receive one of the World Book Day tokens that can be used on certain books. These tokens can be used at our Scholastic book fair between 10th and 16th March.

This week's achievements:

Attendance

Week ending 14th February 2020

Class 1 93.18% Class 2 98.18% Class 3 96.62% Class 4 94.58% Class 5 93.89% Class 6 93.75%



Well done to Class 2!

House Points

This week's House Points running totals are:

Attenborough

Wilberforce

Pankhurst

Hawking

House Points have not been calculated this week.



Out of school achievements

Just a polite reminder that the deadline for anything you wish to appear in a newsletter is 4pm on the Thursday of that week. Anything later than this will be included in the next week's newsletter.



Congratulations to Emily S in nursery for performing in her first ever dance show last week. Keep up the hard work Emily!

A huge well done to Henry K in Reception for achieving his puffin badge in swimming recently. Great work Henry!





Congratulations to Tobias S-S in Nursery for being awarded 'Performer of the Week' at his first football training last week. Tobias received this for brilliant tackling and listening to instructions well. Keep up the good work Tobias!

School dates for your diaries:

March

3rd Tag rugby match 5th World Book Day

Year 3 & 5 trip to Bassetlaw Museum

Mini basketball tournament

7th Swimathon at Retford Leisure Centre 9th Year 6 trip to Holocaust Centre

10th Scholastic Book Fair

16th Level 2 Bikeability – year 5 17th Level 2 Bikeability – year 5

24th Year 5 & 6 trip to The Workhouse

31st Year 1 & 2 at church for Easter activities

Parent Consultations

April

1st Parent Consultations
3rd Last day of term
6th Easter holidays begin

20th Term begins

May

8th May Day bank holiday

11th Key Stage 2 SAT's week begins
21st Summer Census Special Lunch

22nd Last day of term 25th Half term begins

June

9th Fundraising fashion show (evening)

15th – 17th Class 5 & 6 residential trip 22nd RE week begins **NEW**

29th Map it Monday – Geography day **NEW**

30th Elizabethan Year 6 transition week begins **NEW**

30th Science week begins **NEW**

July

6th Retford Oaks Year 6 transition week begins

Sports Day (Reception to year 6)
Road Safety workshops *NEW* Reserve sports day if 10th cancelled

21st Last day of term



Midday Supervisor

The governors of Clarborough Primary School wish to appoint a midday supervisor. The position is a temporary NJE Grade 1, Point 1 contract for 1 hour 5 minutes per school day, term time only until 24th July 2020. The contract may be extended after this time.

The main duties will be to supervise the children from 12.15pm to 1.20pm during the period for lunch and playtime.

If you are interested in applying please contact the school office on the telephone number or email address below for an application form or you can find one on our school website.

The closing date is Friday 6th March 2020 at 10am.