

Last week was:

Class 1 and 2 assembly



Class one and two performed the story of the three plastic bottles in their class assembly last week. The assembly was a chance for the children to share some of their learning from our topic 'The Environment' and also the importance of recycling. Well done to the children, they all did a brilliant job.

This week was:

Tinsel knits

Some of our Year 5 children were outside yesterday taking orders for Mrs Herdman's 'Tinsel knits'. Mrs Herdman is kindly donating some of the proceeds to school fund. We'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Herdman for this kind gesture and to everyone who has placed an order.



Class 3 and 6 workshop



On Tuesday 26th November a man called Dave from the Rainforest Roadshow came to school to teach us about the rainforest. He brought scorpions, tarantulas, beetles, stick insects, praying mantis and millipedes. Year 3 and 6 got to hold the tarantula and millipede! He showed us the blowpipe that was 5m long! To show us how powerful it was, he shot it at a balloon that exploded and went through the box that the balloon was in. He had lots of valuable items like: tribe masks and hats. We got to draw moths, spiders, scorpions, butterflies and beetles. We also got to have tribal face paint that represented different tribes and animals. We all had such a great day!

By Holly E, Grace H and Tillie M, Year 6.

Class 1 & 2

This week, the children auditioned for parts in the Christmas play and they received their parts to learn over the next two weeks. The stage is up and the children are excited to practice next week!

During the children's cricket lessons they learnt how to hold a cricket bat correctly and how to throw under arm and over arm.

In English, the children have been describing the old man from 'The tin forest', aiming to find a friend for the old lady.

Girl's football



On Tuesday the 26th of November, Clarborough girls' team played against Misson Primary School in a friendly match. It was a competitive game where Clarborough took an early lead through Faith scoring a goal. We then had lots more opportunities to double our lead but unfortunately our shots were not on target.

During the second half Misson came out fighting and they equalised very early on in the second half. It opened the game up and both teams went for the victory, with both teams having lots of chances to score, but it was Misson who converted their opportunity and took a 2-1 lead. Clarborough were then forced to chase the game, which allowed Misson to score very late on to make it 3-1.

A very well done to all the girls involved: Carla T, Olivia O, Nevaeh D, Ella S, Molly M, Rose P, Lilia, Tillie M and Faith K.

A big shout out to Molly, Rose, Lilia and Nevaeh who made their debut for the school.

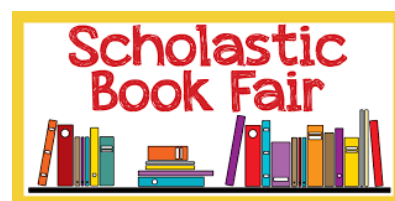
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By Carla T, Year 6

Next week is:

Book fair

Next Tuesday (3rd) sees the start of our Scholastic Book Fair. Every day from 3.30pm onwards to Monday 9th December you will be able to pop in and have a browse at the collection. Books can be bought with cash or cheque. Why not pop in and choose some books for Christmas gifts.



The Sun Books for Schools

We have registered to The Sun's Books for Schools Campaign in the hope of receiving a box of free books worth £600. All we have to do is collect 3500 tokens out of The Sun and The Sun on Sunday from Saturday 23rd November to Saturday 18th January 2020. If you have any tokens please send them in to school and we will begin collecting them.



You can click on the following link to find out more information www.thesunfreebooksforschools.co.uk

St Swithun's Christmas Tree Festival

Our tree is up and awaiting visitors! Thank you to the children in breakfast club and sewing club as well as Mrs Bennett, Mrs Osborn, Mrs Hardie and Mrs Herdman for making the fabulous decorations. The festival runs from Saturday 30th November to Saturday 7th December.



Foundation children will be talking about the differences that we see in our homes, Clarbrough and Retford at Christmas, e.g. lights, decorations and trees.

We will also be learning about the Nativity story and acting it out.

In maths we will be finding out about 1 more.

Class 1 will begin practicing for 'Christmas around the world'.

In Maths, they will consolidate knowledge of subtraction and apply this to fact families.

Throughout their English lessons they will begin planning and writing a diary extract from 'The tin forest' exploring how the old man feels living with all the rubbish.

Class 2 children will be predicting what will happen next in a story using clues from what they have already read in English. The children will also learn about the past and present tense and learn to use the tenses correctly.

In maths the children will continue to add and subtract two two-digit numbers. They will look for pairs of numbers that make 100 and also learn to add 3 one-digit number efficiently. The children will be taught to look for quick ways to add the numbers like looking for doubles or pairs that make 10.

In the afternoons we are excited to start rehearsing the Christmas play.

Class 3 will be learning the 4 times table and using visual representations to help.

In English, they will be continuing their learning on The Tin Forest.

In Topic, they will be researching animal and plant life cycles and considering what our world will look like in the future.

Class 4 children will be learning how to problem solve using the column written method for subtraction during their maths lessons.

They will also be completing their eBooks, finding facts about orangutans and why they're endangered.

Class 5 are learning to: measure and calculate the area and perimeter of shapes in cm and m; plan an explanation text linked to night and day; and use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain night and day in Science.

Class 6 will be consolidating their understanding of fractions in Maths and in English they will be furthering their comprehension of a range of texts.

From Mrs Cowell-Clark:

Parking

A number of residents have complained to me this week regarding inconsiderate parking. Please do not block driveways or park in a way that stops people driving on or off of their property.

Idling Engines

With our focus on protecting the environment this term, please consider turning off your engine whilst waiting in your car.

Medical appointments

Just a quick reminder that if your child has a medical appointment during school time, we must see their appointment card/letter in order to mark the absence on the register as 'authorised'. If we do not see this document, the absence will be recorded as 'illness'.

This week's achievements:

Attendance

Week ending 22nd November 2019

Class 1	98.10%
Class 2	99.41%
Class 3	95.83%
Class 4	97.92%
Class 5	98.82%
Class 6	99.38%



Well done to Class 2!

Star of the Week

This week's 'stars' for week ending 22nd November are:

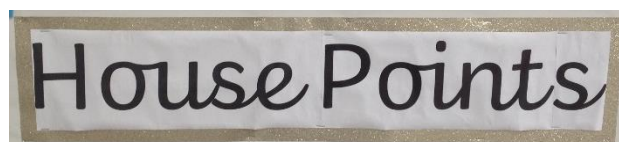
Class 1	Rowan B
Class 2	Anders M
Class 3	Harvey R
Class 4	Freddie G
Class 5	Nevaeh D
Class 6	Isaac B



House Points

This week's House Points running totals are:

Attenborough	1178
Wilberforce	1000
Pankhurst	1218
Hawking	1165



Well done to Pankhurst!

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.



A big well done to Lydia E in Class 1 for achieving her 10m badge in swimming. Great work Lydia!

School dates for your diaries:

December

3 rd	Scholastic book fayre begins
5 th	Year 6 Christingle making Choir singing at Clarborough Village Tree Lighting
10 th	Scholastic book fayre ends Choir singing at Retford Stocking Filler Market
12 th	Foundation stage Nativity Class 3 & 4 assembly – parents invited, more information to follow
13 th	Foundation stage Christmas Party Key Stage 1 Nativity in church 2pm Christmas Jumper Day £1
16 th	Key Stage 1 Nativity in school 2pm
17 th	Key Stage 1 Nativity in school 9.30am Christmas Disco, details to follow next week
18 th	Key Stage 2 carols around the tree 3pm Christmas Dinner Key Stage 1 & 2 Christmas party day
19 th	Christmas Fayre 3.30pm – 5.00pm
20 th	Last day of term for pupils INSET day

January

6 th	Term begins
8 th	Young Voices
16 th	Spring Census Special Lunch

February

14 th	Last day of term
17 th	Half term begins
24 th	First day of term
27 th	Level 1 Bikeability – year 3
28 th	Swimming gala at Worksop Leisure Centre

March

5 th	World Book Day
7 th	Swimathon at Retford Leisure Centre
16 th	Level 2 Bikeability – year 5
17 th	Level 2 Bikeability – year 5
31 st	Year 1 & 2 at church for Easter activities

April

3 rd	Last day of term
6 th	Easter holidays begin
20 th	Term begins



Christmas

We just thought we'd put together a list of all the things that are coming up in December!

Christmas gifts

In previous years, parents and carers have been incredibly generous with their giving of presents to staff and this is always very much appreciated. This year you could show your support for teachers and the school as together we make a donation to the Bassetlaw Food Bank. Any donations will be gratefully received and we ask that you bring them into school before Wednesday 18th December.

St Swithun's Christmas Tree Festival

As in previous years, we will be decorating and displaying a Christmas tree at the festival at St Swithun's Church in town. The decorations are being made in breakfast club with Mrs Osborn. This runs from Saturday 30th November to Sunday 8th December. It is a great display of colour and crafts and a lovely way to get in the festive spirit.



Scholastic Book Fayre

We will be holding another Scholastic Book Fayre similar to the one we held in March. This time though, instead of getting a percentage of the sales, we get 100% of them, meaning that for every book you buy, school will get one for our library. This will run after school from 3.30pm between Tuesday 3rd December and Monday 9th December. We will send out more details just before but we hope to see lots of you there as this will be a good chance to purchase those Christmas book gifts.

Clarborough Village Tree Lighting – Thursday 5th December

Our school choir will be singing Christmas songs and carols at the village tree lighting again this year. Anyone from Reception up to year 6 are welcome to come along and join in the singing. The singing begins at 5pm and afterwards there will be refreshments and Christmas crafts and also a visit from a very special guest in a big red suit!

Retford Stocking Filler Market – Tuesday 10th December

We have been asked to sing some songs and carols at Retford Stocking Filler market in Retford town centre. The choir is currently busy learning some songs and will be performing at approximately 4.30pm on Tuesday 10th December.

Foundation Nativity – Thursday 12th December

This will be held on Thursday 12th December. Parents/carers of Reception children are invited to watch at 9.30am and parents/carers of Nursery children are invited to watch at 10.45am. Nursery children can then go home once it has finished, unless they stay all day.

Foundation Christmas party – Friday 13th December

This is on Friday 13th December. Children may wear party clothes but please ensure they have something warm to wear if they go outside.

Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 13th December

We will be taking part in National Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children. This means that children may come to school in Christmas jumpers and we ask that they make a £1 donation to the charity.

Key Stage 1 Nativity – Friday 13th December

Classes 1 and 2 will be performing their Nativity at Clarborough Church at 2pm on Friday 13th December. All are welcome to come and watch.

Key Stage 1 Nativity – Monday 16th December

This performance from classes 1 and 2 will be in the school hall at will commence at 2pm. All welcome and tickets will be on sale for this nearer the time. These will be priced at £2 and will include a programme. Tickets will be bought via Parentmail.

Key Stage 1 Nativity – Tuesday 17th December

The final performance of the Key Stage 1 nativity will be at 9.30am in the school hall on Tuesday 17th December. Once again, tickets will be on sale prior to the performance and will cost £2 including a programme. Tickets will be bought via Parentmail.

School Disco – Tuesday 17th December

Our Christmas disco will be held in the school hall. Nursery children can bring a parent/carer along at 3pm until 3.30pm and have a boogie. Snacks and drinks are available for 50p each. Then Reception children to Year 6 begin their disco at 3.30pm to 5pm. Snacks and drinks also available for them to buy. Bring a change of clothes to wear and dance the afternoon away! Parents need to collect their children from the hall doors at 5.30pm (where after school clubs are picked up from).

Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 18th December

We will be having our Christmas dinner on Wednesday 18th December. The children will be served a delicious traditional meal of roast turkey with all the trimmings and dessert. Children will have crackers on their tables and staff will eat with them. Christmas dinner is priced at the usual £2.30 and all children are welcome to have it. Nearer the time we will be sending out a Parentmail form for you to complete to say whether your child is having Christmas lunch or not so that we can order the correct amount of food.

Christmas parties – Wednesday 18th December

We will be holding our Christmas parties on Wednesday 18th December for all children from year 1 to 6. The children will play party games and may wear party clothes. Please ensure that they have something warm to wear for break times.

Key Stage 2 Carols around the Christmas tree – Wednesday 18th December

Our Key Stage 2 children will be singing Christmas carols and songs around the Christmas tree at the front of school at 3pm on Wednesday 18th December. We would welcome anyone who wishes to join us for a sing-a-long or just to watch.

Christmas Fair – Thursday 19th December

To finish off the term we will be holding our annual Christmas fair. As in previous years there will be a variety of stalls including gifts to purchase, games to play, crafts to make, face-painting and a variety of refreshments. We look forward to seeing lots of you there. The Christmas fair will be open from 3.30pm to 5pm and everyone is welcome.