

# Be the best you can be!

## **Weekly Newsletter**

13th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been great to see so many parents in school for the consultations this week. It is always so lovely to find out how your children are getting on and take the opportunity to look in their books. There will be another parents' evening in the spring term.

We've had our monthly pop-up uniform tables before and after school today. It's always worth popping into the hall to see if there is any pre-loved uniform your child could use. The next one will be on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

Our Harvest Festival will be taking place on <u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</u>. Each class will put on a little presentation – it could be a song, a poem or a scripted piece to perform to you in their classroom. They will show their performances twice; one at 2:45 pm and then at 3 pm so that you can move between classes if you have more than one child.

We will be collecting donations for the Bassetlaw Food Bank in the school hall too. Anything you can spare or donate is always so very welcome, but they always need:

- Tinned hot meats (stewing steak, chilli, meatballs etc) and tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Soup
- Cooking sauces (pasta, curry etc)
- Jam
- Long life milk
- Instant noodles
- Custard
- Rice pudding
- Biscuits
- Toilet roll
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Deodorant
- Laundry Tables
- Toothpaste
- Washing up liquid and sponges
- Soap

Many thanks,
Mrs Cowell-Clark



## **Contacting us:**

Calls can be made to school Monday to Thursday from 8:30am – 4.30pm and Friday 8.30am - 4pm on 01777 708065

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

Finance queries should be directed to: finance@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 'Upsetting Content'.

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.



## **Booking in Lunches, Breakfast Club and Wraparound Club**

Parentmail will open next week, for you to book your child's lunches, Breakfast club and Wraparound places for the Autumn Term 2. Please note, these must be booked <u>one week in advance</u> to allow us to ensure correct staffing and meals etc.

Please also note, due to the increased number of children in Wrap Around Club and Breakfast Club, last minute bookings may not be available on the day.

Breakfast club starts from 7.45am and children will not be allowed into school before this time. Thank you.

#### **New Class Names**

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This year's classes are named after great scientists and inventors:

Nursery: Ole Kirk Christianson

Reception: Chris Packham
Year 1: Tim Berners-Lee
Year 2: Katherine Johnson
Year 3: Thomas Edison
Year 4: Jane Goodall
Year 5: Jacques Cousteau
Year 6: Albert Einstein



#### Star of the Week

Rather than a weekly theme, our star of the week will be chosen from our termly Clarborough Curriculum focus. This term, the focus is 'Respect'.

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:





Year 1 – Bobby

Year 2 - Elliott

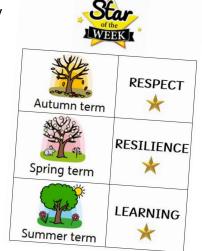
Year 3 – Alana

Year 4 – Ernie

Year 5 - Seb

Year 6 - Penny





## Well done everyone!

## **Nursery and 30hrs: Ole Kirk Christianson**



We love Autumn! We've had a wonderful time since the beginning of term, looking at the trees in the school grounds, noticing that the leaves are changing from greens and yellows to yellow oranges and browns. We discovered the tree trunks are very strong and we are learning new words like trunk, branch and leaf. The artwork children created really showed how much they had taken in.

We are continuing our learning about our wonderful bodies, particularly the sense of hearing and had a great time, making our own shakers, exploring how the different fillings create totally different sounds.

Next week, we are going to be thinking about the very exciting area of taste!









## **Reception: Chris Packham**



This week, we have been thinking about what we need to do to keep healthy. We have talked about foods that we should eat a lot of and foods that we should just have sometimes, and we have tasted different types of fruit – delicious! The children have also been learning how important it is to have plenty of sleep and lots of exercise, and have continued to look at the changes that are happening because it is Autumn. They have been recording each other's favourite fruit and have also been replicating shapes with lolly sticks.

Next week, we will be thinking about how we change as we grow, and comparing what we can do as babies, as children and as adults.







#### Year 1: Tim Berners-Lee



This week, in Year 1, we have been introducing 'less than' and 'greater than' numbers and in English the children have been naming different types of houses.

Within Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been learning interesting facts about Guy Fawkes and during Art the children have been leaf printing, using autumnal colours. In French, Year 1 have all been learning how to say 'goodbye' – 'au revoir!'

Next Week, in Maths, Year 1 will be ordering objects and in English they will be creating a simple sentence using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops.

#### **Year 2: Katherine Johnson**



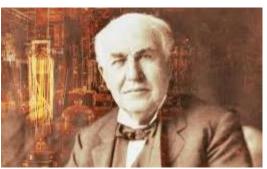
This week in Maths, the children in Year 2 have been using place value and comparing objects and numbers using language such as greater than, less than and equal to. They have used this knowledge to help them order objects and numbers. The children have also been working with money and making different combinations to create the same total amount.

In English the class began looking at 'Toby and The Great Fire of London' story book. First, they used the pictures on the front cover to predict what the story might be about and then they looked at using adjectives to write a character description of Toby.

In Clarborough Curriculum this week, the children wrote sentences to match pictures from 'The Great Fire', and talked about the order the events happened. They also looked at hot and cold places around the world and created a fact file. In Art, the children continued to create a collage background for our 'Great Fire of London' artwork and in French they have continued to answer "how are you feeling?".

Next week, in Maths, Year 2 will be counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and compare different amounts of money. In English, they will be writing Haiku poems based on the 'Fire of London'. The children will also be preparing for Harvest Festival on Friday.

Year 3: Thomas Edison



This week in Maths, Year 3 have worked on addition and subtraction problems and used the column addition method, including crossing 10.

In English, they have written their own stories based on 'The Stone Age'. The children have been putting forward their own ideas to the story we have been reading and they all sound fantastic!!

In Science, Year 3 have been looking at compass points and direction. The children had to choose where to hide treasure and then write

steps using compass points for their partner to find it. Within Clarborough Curriculum, they looked at Iron Age weapons; looking at how they were made and what they were used for.

Next week, Year 3 will look at what they know about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age. In English, the children will look at Performance Poetry and in Science, the class will be working on showing what they know about magnets.

#### Year 4: Jane Goodall



This week in Maths, Year 4 have been learning how to add two four-digit numbers and in English they have been learning about standard and nonstandard English and creating a narrative journey based on the model text.

In Clarborough Curriculum this week, the children have been completing their 'Show Me What You Know' sheets about their North America topic and in Science the children have learned about food chains and the link between producers, consumers, prey and predators (please see Seesaw for more).

In DT, the children completed a STEM challenge which was to work in groups of three to design and make a bridge to fit specific criteria and in Computing, Year 4 had their first lesson on internet research - finding out facts about creepy-crawlies using a given website.

Next Week, in Maths, Year 4 will continue with addition and subtraction of four-digit numbers and in English, they will continue writing their journey narratives. In Science the children will be creating a food web for creatures in various ecosystems and in Computing, they will be cross referencing information by visiting various trusted websites. We will also be preparing and practising for our Harvest Festival event on Friday afternoon!

**Year 5: Jacques Cousteau** 

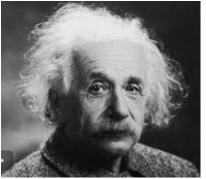


This week in Year 5, the children have been working on addition and subtraction problems in Maths and in English, the class have been writing relative clauses and looking at elements of a biography.

In Science, they have been looking at phases of the moon and in Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been researching the history of the Greek Olympic Games.

Next week, Year 5 will be beginning to plan to write a biography in their English lessons and in Maths they will be comparing calculations and finding missing numbers. Some of the Year 5 children will also be going on the school residential trip to Kingswood! A Seesaw account has been set up and a link has been sent to the parents of the children that are attending the trip. Teachers will be updating the residential Seesaw account while the children are away, so don't forget to have a look at what they are getting up to!

#### Year 6: Albert Einstein



This week in Maths, Year 6 have been looking at squared and cubed numbers and have been multiplying 4 digits by 2 digits. In English, they have published their wartime poems and in Science the class have been concluding their investigations into micro-organisms.

In Clarborough Curriculum this week, Year 6 have been researching the Battle of Britain and Dunkirk and in Art, the children have been creating propaganda posters.

Next week, most of the Year 6 class will be away for their Residential trip. Exciting! A Seesaw account has been set up and a link has been sent to the parents of the children that are attending the trip. Teachers will be updating the residential Seesaw account while the children are away, so don't forget to have a look at what they are getting up to!

## Dates for your Diary....

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October: Harvest Festival – All welcome at 2.45pm and 3pm

Friday 20th October: Last day of term

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Half Term

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November: INSET Day – School Closed Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November: Children return back to school

## **Out of School Achievements**

If your child has any out of school achievements that they would like mentioned in the newsletter, please send in your photos/certificates by Thursday to ensure it is included in Friday's newsletter.

A huge well done to Harriet who competed this weekend at the Bill Parr Memorial Open Meet hosted by Worksop Dolphins and won Gold medals in all 8 events she entered – Wow, fantastic work Harriet!





Congratulations to Edwin who received a Star Player medal this week from Retford United Stripes for playing well - Great work Edwin!

Well done to Maggie who received her gold Penalty Shoot medal for taking penalty shots this week. Maggie missed one and then scored one - Amazing work Maggie!





Congratulations to Jenson who received Man of the Match for playing for Walesby U7s for fantastic goal keeping and defence play – Well done Jenson!

Well done to Harry who completed a sponsored pyjama walk and raised £155 for the local hospice – Awesome work Harry!





A big well done to Joely who received her Learn to Swim 3 Certificate this week – Amazing work Joely!

Congratulations to Esmay who received her gold Penalty Shoot medal from Retford United for scoring the most penalties – Fantastic work Esmay!





Congratulations to Laila who competed in her first ever Gymnastics club competition at the weekend. Laila came first place and received a gold medal – Wow, amazing work Laila!

A big well done to David who received his Learn to Swim 2 Certificate this week – Great work David!





Breakfast club, wraparound care, 30hours and lunches need to be booked in and paid for at least one week in advance on Parentmail. Breakfast is served daily until 8:20 am. If you have any questions or queries relating to Breakfast club, Wraparound and lunches please email Mrs Hardie on office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Nottinghamshire County Council use CCTV cars to enforce parking outside of schools. They visit schools in Nottinghamshire and will record whilst passing, the details of any cars parked illegally.

If vehicles are in parked in contravention the registered keepers will receive a Penalty Charge Notice.

These restrictions are in place to provide a safe area outside of the school where the children will gather or cross the road therefore, we ask for your help in keeping this area free of parked vehicles. The school can request enforcement from the car if there any concerns regarding parking.

