



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

W/e 19th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy and active week in school and at virtual school! You'll see in this week's newsletter some of the brilliant work, games and fun activities that have been going on here and online. The children are doing an amazing job!

School has now been open to more pupils for two weeks. I am regularly updating our risk assessments in light of new guidance from the Department for Education and the Local Authority which I receive daily. As you have seen from the Government and the media, class sizes are limited to 15 and pupils cannot be added to year group 'bubbles' so as to limit the risk of infection. I understand that for some of you this is frustrating. I want nothing more than to be able to open school to more pupils and will do so when I am able to.

As always, school is here to help you. Many of you get in touch when there are issues with technology or routines at home or just to let us know when something brilliant is happening. We appreciate it and always have time to help. Even though our community can't all be physically together at the moment, we're always here when you need us!!

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

We felt it may also be useful to remind you of the other ways you can contact us:

Calls can be made to school from 8:30am – 5:30pm 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

Kindness Rocks!

We would love to decorate the school with Kindness Rocks. We would love it if your child could decorate a rock which we can then put somewhere around the school grounds! It could be a beautifully painted picture/design, some kind words or an inspirational quote. Those children who are attending school will get the opportunity to paint one at school and/or they are welcome to do one at home. Anyone not in school yet can keep hold of theirs until they do return. It would be great to have photos sent in so that we can create a collage.

Please send any photos to office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

As before, this is optional and you are welcome to send a photo with or without your child on it. We look forward to seeing the children's creativity!



Home Learning and Purple Mash

For home learning, many tasks will be set using a range of different resources. These include: BBC Bitesize, White Rose Maths sheets, ilearn2, Digimaps, Oak Academy, Charanga, TT Rockstars, Purple Mash, Science experiments and more. You are all doing a fantastic job at completing the work set, so thank you for this!

Most of you have accessed Purple Mash this week and have shared your views on how much you've enjoyed this (even if we did have a few hiccups with the log-ins!). We're so proud of your progress and how you're rising to the challenge of using technology to complete the work.

When accessing Purple Mash, please ensure that when you click the exit button, you click the 'save and exit' option as this saves the work. This response work does not always appear in your own work folder but appears in the 2Do folder under the task by clicking 'open work' and this is also on the teacher's account. So do not panic - all the work gets saved! You could also take a photo before saving, just as you would with a paper copy of your work.



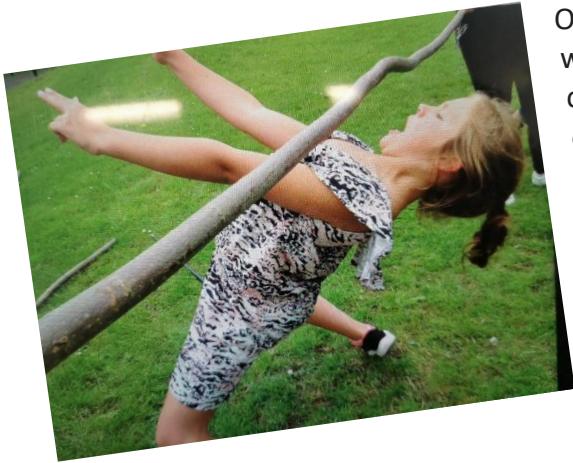
When you play on the Maths games, this score is recorded automatically and ready for the teachers to see.

We know that some of you have struggled to access the work after school hours as there was a time restriction, so we have now extended the hours so you can access the work at your own leisure, beyond 3.30pm, if that suits your situation better at home.

Enjoy and keep up the hard work!

In school

Key worker children



On Monday, the children had a great first day back. They worked well completing their online learning as always. Some of the children played a coding game, which was quite hard to do but lots of fun! In the afternoon the children enjoyed playing outside in the field, making dens and playing limbo, everyone loved it!

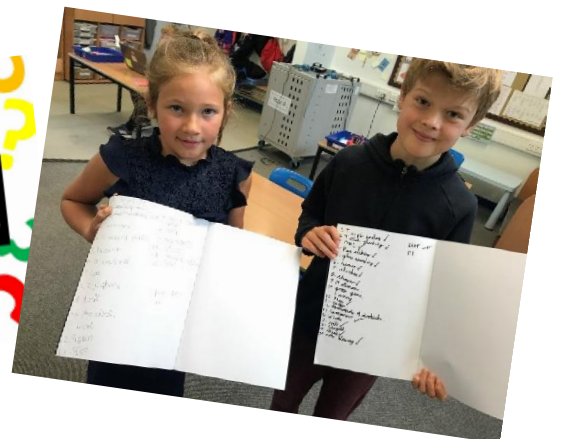


On Wednesday afternoon the children enjoyed playing outside on the roller boards.



The craft activity this week was to make a dream catcher. We talked about how dream catchers are designed to catch worrying thoughts, so then you dream nice and happy things. It was very fiddly, but they looked amazing!

On Thursday the children were very busy!! They made fridge cakes and took part in a sound quiz game in the morning. The quiz is a family quiz found on YouTube which required the children to listen to and guess 20 different sounds. They all did amazingly well and REALLY enjoyed it!



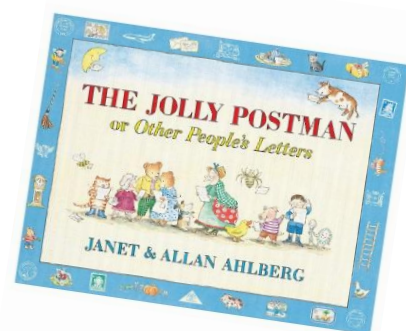


Thursday afternoon was even more exciting when the children took part in the cup stacking challenge.

The children had to stack a pyramid of plastic cups without knocking them over and then dismantle them with no tumbles - the concentration was immense and they managed to create a huge pyramid of cups successfully – great team work everyone!!

Nursery Bubble Group

This week the Nursery bubble group have started their new book; The Jolly Postman.



The children made a gingerbread house and decorated gingerbread men which the children thoroughly enjoyed eating afterwards. They have explored wicked witches' potions and made a magic wand – they looked amazing!

In phonics, they have enjoyed hunting for objects around the classroom that begin with the 'g' sound.



In maths, they have been playing lots of counting games outside and recognising shapes on their Father's Day cards.

The children also visited the new school garden and chose their own lettuce and rocket leaves to try. They even washed them in cold water to make sure that they didn't wilt. It was super exciting to see the worms wriggling in the soil too! Some of the children even had the lettuce leaves on their sandwiches at lunchtime.....Delicious!



Star of the week: Honey-Mae

Reception Bubble Group

This week, we have had lots of fun painting our kindness rocks for the school grounds and recording a video message for the children at home.



The vegetables planted during lockdown by the key worker children are growing really well and this week we have been able to start harvesting the lettuces...yum!

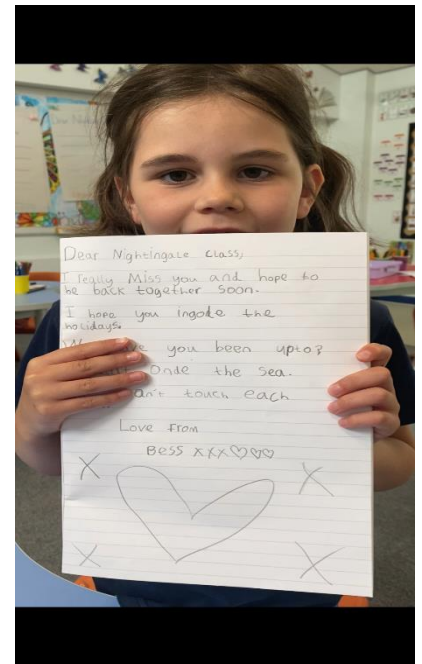
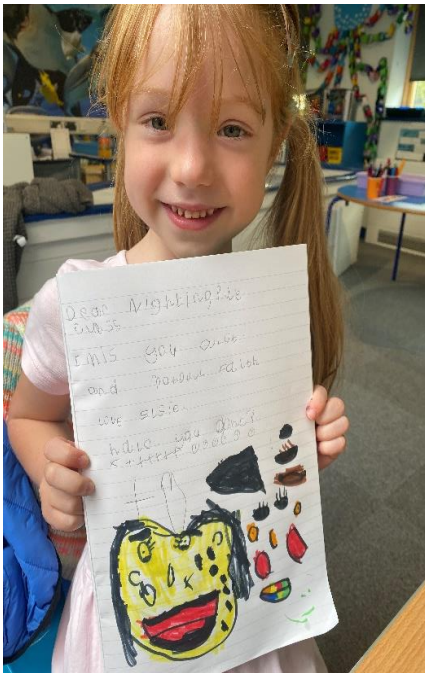
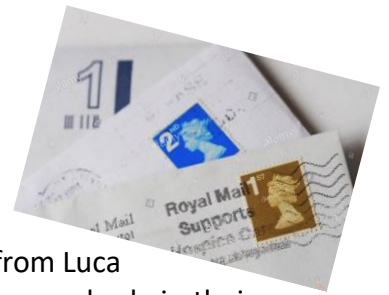


Star of the week: Ayda

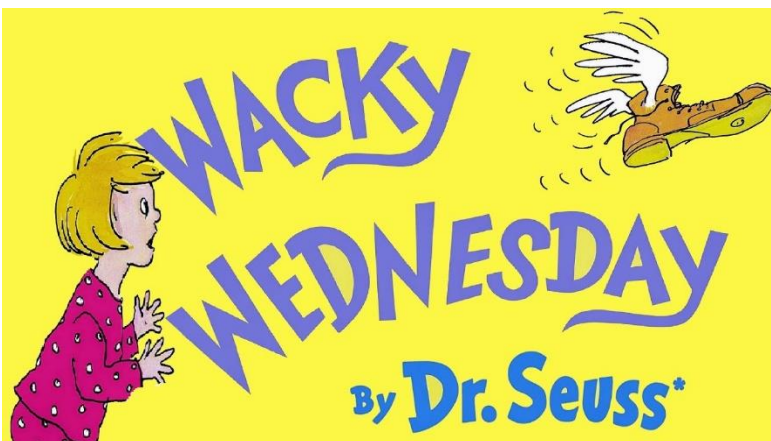
Class 1 Bubble Group

In the Class 1 bubble group, the children have had another fantastic week at school!

They have continued to learn about postal workers and designed their own stamps as well as writing letters to the children in Nightingale Class. They loved seeing the letters that children at home had written and even received a letter from Luca in the post- thank you Luca! They will soon begin to write their own letters to somebody in their family.



In Maths, they have been learning about positional language as well as left, right and turns.



On Wednesday, they were a little 'wacky' by coming to school wearing a whole variety of outfits ranging from superhero costumes, Christmas cardigans and crazy headbands! In the afternoon, they had lots of fun outside in the lovely sunshine.

They brought in a bike or scooter on Thursday but unfortunately the rain didn't stop all day so we rearranged this activity and managed to get out on the bikes and scooters on Friday morning with very few collisions!

Also, just a note for parents of children who are attending school in Class 1. Miss Green has still been using 'Class 1 Home Learning' to share pictures and videos of what the children get up to when they are in school. Please feel free to still use this to keep in touch and to see what your child has been up to.

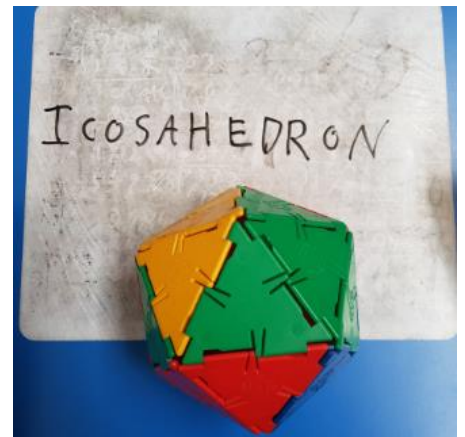


Star of the week: Casey

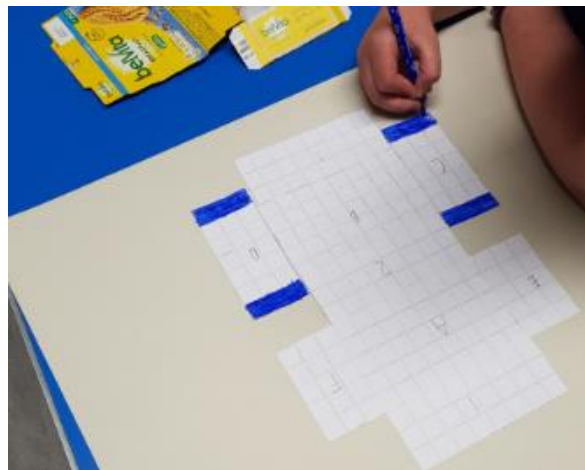
Class 6 Bubble Group

In Maths this week, Year 6 have been investigating nets.

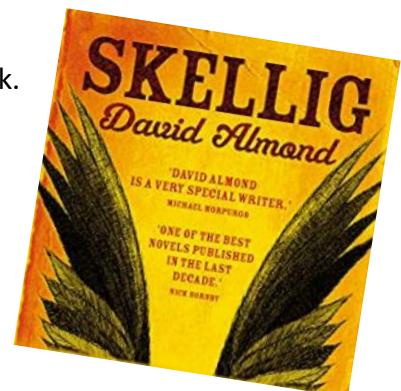
We recapped the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and then using Polydron the children had a go at making some simple shapes.



After this, we then transferred our knowledge into making a net for a cuboid for a 'special box'.



In English, the children have continued to enjoy reading Skellig this week.



In the afternoons, the children have enjoyed riding their bikes, playing cricket and harvesting and eating crops from the garden.



Although, we don't think George particularly enjoyed the radishes!



Thank you to this week's bakers.

Delicious 'Rocky Road' courtesy of Matty G and tasty 'Blondies' courtesy of Carla.

We are looking forward to Harry and George's efforts next week!



Star of the week: Isaac

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/>

Virtual learning

Nightingale Class

We have had a very busy week in Nightingale class looking specifically at the work of the post office and postal workers. Letters have been buzzing between the school and online classes!

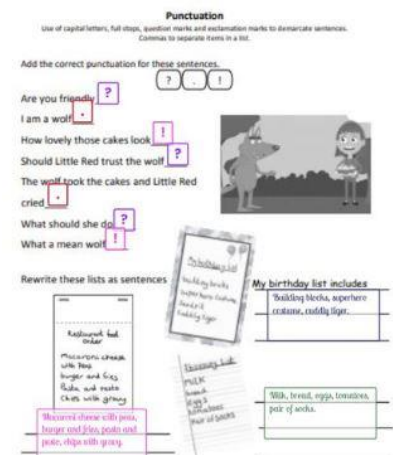
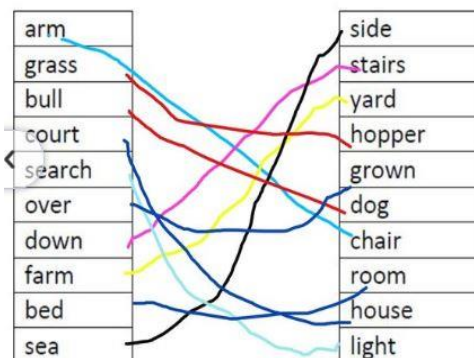


The children have loved seeing one another in their videos. Once again I would like to thank the parents of the children who are engaging and learning so regularly. It is lovely to see them being so committed to the activities. Those children are continuing to make really excellent progress!

Bevan Class

This week, Bevan Class have been busy exploring Purple Mash for their Home Learning. The children have really enjoyed using Purple Mash and exploring the different games available for all areas of the curriculum. They have had a variety of Maths activities to choose from such as: rounding up, area of shape and place value.


In English, Year 2 have been playing games to support their knowledge of compound words and different punctuation.




Years 5 and 6 have been learning about word classes and direct speech. For one activity, they were asked to think about their ambitions for when they are older. It was interesting to read and exciting to think that we have potential vets, detectives, lorry drivers and nurses amongst us!

My Ambition

My ambition for when i am older is to be a vet because i would love to help sick animals become better and healthier than they were at first. Also i would like to try and help extinct animals better so then there is more of them in the world.

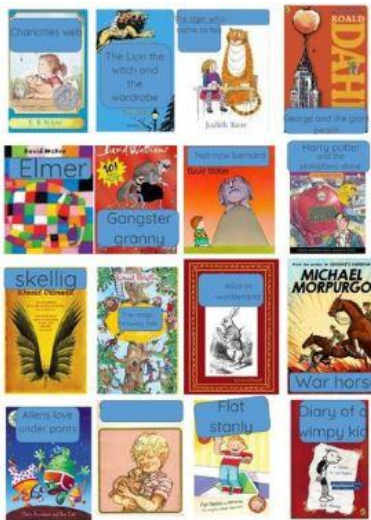


Or i would like to try and become a nurse or doctor so then i can help people and make them better. Even though sometimes it might become a really hard job because you might have to have a really serious injection and it might be really dangerous



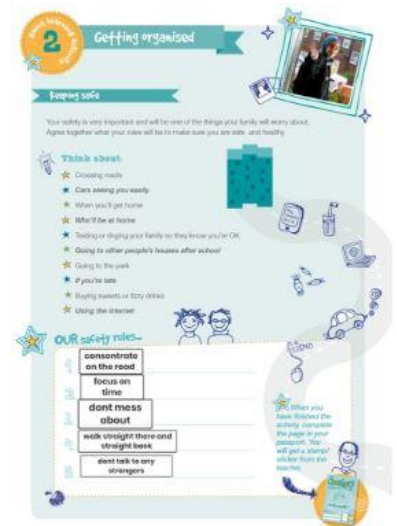


In Science, they have been challenged to make eggshell geode crystals with some amazing results!



They have also had a fun quiz to guess the titles of some popular children's books.

Year 6 have also continued their transition activities, this week looking at being prepared for secondary school. Exciting times ahead!



Star of the week: Year 2 - Winnie



Star of the week: Year 5 - Zara

Jenner Class

This week the children have produced some fabulous work. They have had a great week working on Purple Mash which has been really successful in engaging with the children.

The children have produced some fantastic writing where they had to create a newspaper report about a local hero. Their responses were great - we had police stopping robbers, firefighters putting out fires, children rescuing animals and even super-heroes!

Superhero Saves the Day



On the 10th June 2020 at Cleethorpes beach the coast guard was involved in saving a 5 year old girl life in the sea. Little Lucy Anderson was on the beach that day with her family making sandcastles with her younger brother George near the sea they were having a really nice time altogether.

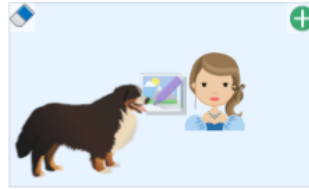
Out of no where with no warning a great big wave crashed down and swept Lucy into the sea. Lucy's mum screamed at her dad to go after her so he did but he wasn't a very good swimmer so he said to Lucy's mum to go and get help. Lucy's mum picked up George and ran as fast as she could back up the beach to get help. She managed to find the life guard who hopefully save the day.

The life guard Clark Price ran as fast as he could to save Lucy and her dad. Clark dived into the water and swam out to get Lucy. Clark managed to save Lucy by getting her to hold onto his float and swim her back to shore. Lucy mum and dad were so proud at Clark for saving Lucy's life. The ambulance was there also to check everyone was okay.



Reported by
**Harry Jay
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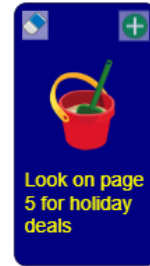
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Today we are reporting on the beautiful story of how a girl saved a dog and they became the best of friends..

On the 19th March 2017, 8 year old Emilia was swimming in the lake when she saw a dog drowning. Emilia rushed to the homeless dogs rescue and saved it. Emilia's mum said 'She was so brave and acted very quickly'

Emilia named the dog Billy, she took the dog to the vets to see if it was a boy and it was. She also got the vet to check him over and he was ok. Emilia and Billy became best friends for life.

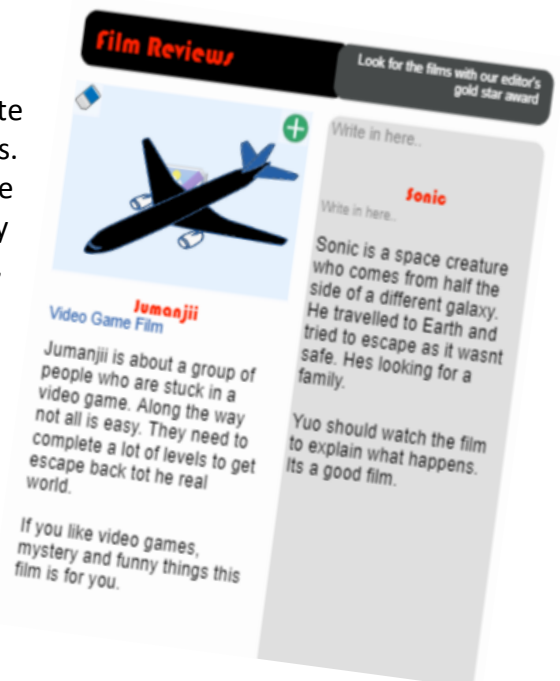


Look on page
**5 for holiday
deals**

The children have been creating their own persuasive adverts; selling items around their house. We have had some fantastic videos sent through to us: Freddie selling his Glimmering, Gargantuan, Grater 3000 (perfect for all your cheese grating needs) and Lexi selling Levi (her brother) for all of his flaws but perfections too!



The children also had to write their own film reviews. There was such a wide variety with some very persuasive writing, encouraging the reader to watch the film of their choice.



The children produced fantastic art work this week involving cutting out a silhouette of any shape and placing it over different back grounds, they looked amazing! Well done for another fabulous week of learning!



Star of the week: Year 3 – Charlie



Star of the week: Year 4 - Chloe

Thank you!

As many of you know, Mrs Russell has been reading a story each day on Facebook and asking for people to make donations towards the fundraiser she set up for our school. Mrs Russell told us this week that thanks to her wonderful reading and other people's generous donations, the stories raised an incredible £375. Mr and Mrs Russell have kindly made this amount up to £400 and given it to school to put towards the outside area and garden space.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Russell and to everyone who contributed to the lockdown story telling fundraiser. We love hearing your stories Mrs Russell!

