

# Be the best you can be!

## **Weekly Newsletter**

W/e 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

#### This week was:

#### **Cereal bars**

Thank you to everyone that has bought a cereal bar this week in order to help Class 6 raise funds for their trips. A total of £41 was raised.





## **Special dinner**

The children enjoyed a special dinner on Thursday for the Spring Census Day. It was great to see lots of children having a school dinner and they tucked in to hot dogs, chips and baked beans followed by ice cream with sprinkles and sauce.

## Childcare@Clarborough

This week in Childcare the children have been learning the rhyme of Humpty Dumpty. As part of this they re-enacted the story by decorating their own hard boiled eggs and dropping them off a wall to see how they would react. The children had lots of fun doing this activity.





#### **Foundation**



As part of our thinking about childhood we had a pyjama day today to remind us how important sleep is... and we learned the makaton sign for sleep!

### Passwords for child collection

We are implementing a new system for the collection of children from school. If someone who is not noted down as a contact for your child on our system is collecting your child, we will ask you to give us a password when you tell us they are collecting your child. You then give the same password to that person who will then give it to the teacher when they arrive at school. The password can be anything you wish and can change each time someone fetches your child, or it can remain the same.

If you have any queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

## Lunches

As you are aware, this week has been our first week of the new booking system for lunches. On the whole it is going extremely well and we appreciate your support and patience whilst we are undergoing this transition in order to implement the most effective system.

There are a couple of amendments we feel will improve this further:

- We are going to revert back to the 'top-up' system of paying which means that you can add any amount of money you wish, at any time. You don't have to pay when you order your child/ren's meal. Please note that you do still have to book the meal your child/ren wants in advance. Bookings will close 1 week before each meal is served, For example: the booking of a meal for Monday 3rd February, will close on Monday 27th January. Any monies already paid will be transferred to the new system. This may not happen until next week.
- You will be able to book lunches, 3 weeks in advance. For those of you who have booked beyond 3
  weeks already, this will disappear from your Parentmail view until it is 3 weeks before the date. The
  meals you have already selected will come back on once the 3 weeks are open (a week at a time),
  you do not have to order again.
- You can always view what you have ordered by doing the following:
- 1. Go into 'Accounts'
- 2. Click on 'School dinners'
- 3. Click on 'History'
- 4. Select the month you wish to view
- 5. Select the day you wish to view

We have tried to make this as simple as possible for you to read and do, but if anybody has any problems or queries whatsoever, please do not hesitate to contact us. Once again, thank you for your patience while we iron out the issues.

#### Next week will be:

**Foundation** will be continuing on the theme of Childhood, looking particularly at what we need to stay healthy, especially in terms of getting enough sleep and eating the right food. We will also be looking at the story of Jack and The Beanstalk, and the rhyme of another Jack...and Jill! We hope to get lots of counting and positional language from this too.

**Class 1** will look at paintings of old toys and create their own. They will also bring a toy in from home and talk about what their toys are made from and compare these to toys from the past. The children will also learn nursery rhymes from the past. In Science, the children will name different parts of the body and learn about senses.

**Class 2** will continue to use money and find different combinations of coins that equal the same amount of money. The children will also learn to find a line of symmetry on a 2-D shape.

In English the children will learn to join sentences using conjunctions (and, or, but, because, when, that, if). The class are enjoying reading Oliver Twist and next week will finish the story.

Thank you for helping your child answer the questions they wrote about your favourite toys. They enjoyed sharing what they had found out and looking at the toys their parents and grandparents played with. This week we will learn about Victorian toys. The children will look at real toys lent to us from the museum.

**Class 3** will be continuing to apply their knowledge of the short multiplication method in their maths. In English they will be looking at features in newspaper reports with the aim of producing their own based on Julius Caesar's initial failed attempt to invade Britain. In topic, they will be exploring the Roman road structure and finding out how they influenced today's living.

**Class 4** will be looking at the area of different shapes and working out the different methods we use. They will also be learning about the impact that World War 2 had on the entire world, including the different countries involved.

**Class 5** will continue to multiply and divide numbers mentally using formal written methods. They will complete their diaries about life in a Victorian workhouse and begin to explore what school was like during this period, comparing it to school life today.

**Class 6** will be learning how to find percentages of numbers. In science the children will be learning about the circulatory system and the digestive system.

## School dog update

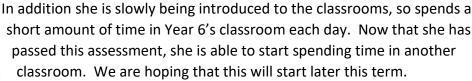
Over the Christmas break, Jes (our school dog) and Mrs Cooper travelled down to Devon to take their next test - Assessment 5.

This assessment was at Dogs Helping Kids Headquarters and looks at all the training taught especially for children, from the snuggle to the easy button, fun tricks to being happy to work with a stranger. Jes did brilliantly scoring 91% and celebrated by visiting the beach on her way home.

Their next assessment will be in April and will take place in a Garden Centre. Here she will be assessed on how good her loose lead walking is. How calm she is with strangers. She will also be asked to do an out of sight stay for 5 minutes.

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In School Jes continues to work with one Year 6 pupil each day she is in. The children are reading to her, learning about how to greet an unknown dog and how to train a dog using positive reinforcement.

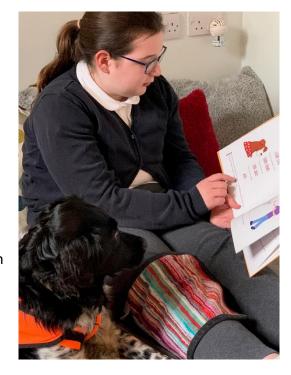




We will be holding a fundraising week at the beginning of February, to raise money for Dogs Helping Kids – the charity who train and insure Jes. They are a very small charity who receive no government funding,

so rely on donations to exist. Mrs Cooper will be selling frothy hot chocolate at break-time and running a raffle at home time.

Jes is also still looking for a corporate sponsor, if you work for a company who may be interested in sponsoring her in her work with the children at our school, please get in touch with Mrs Cooper – rcooper@clarborough.notts.sch.uk



## This week's achievements:

#### **Attendance**

Week ending 10th January 2020

Class 1	97.14%
Class 2	95.88%
Class 3	98.33%
Class 4	99.58%
Class 5	98.82%
Class 6	99.38%



#### Well done to Class 4!

## Star of the Week

This week's 'stars' for week ending 13<sup>th</sup> December are:

Class 1	Henry H
Class 2	Sienna-Ruby W
Class 3	Gracie-May W
Class 4	Isabella B-B
Class 5	Reuben M
Class 6	Khyler G



## **House Points**

This week's House Points running totals are:

Attenborough 1778
Wilberforce 2232
Pankhurst 1813
Hawking 1704



#### Well done to Wilberforce!

#### **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.

## School dates for your diaries:

#### **February**

11<sup>th</sup> Valentines disco - More info to follow

14<sup>th</sup> Last day of term
 17<sup>th</sup> Half term begins
 24<sup>th</sup> First day of term

27<sup>th</sup> Level 1 Bikeability – year 3

28<sup>th</sup> Swimming gala at Worksop Leisure Centre

#### March

5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day

7<sup>th</sup> Swimathon at Retford Leisure Centre

16<sup>th</sup> Level 2 Bikeability – year 5 17<sup>th</sup> Level 2 Bikeability – year 5

31<sup>st</sup> Year 1 & 2 at church for Easter activities

#### April

3<sup>rd</sup> Last day of term 6<sup>th</sup> Easter holidays begin

20<sup>th</sup> Term begins

#### May

8<sup>th</sup> May Day bank holiday

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

22<sup>nd</sup> Last day of term
 25<sup>th</sup> Half term begins

#### June

9<sup>th</sup> Fundraising fashion show (evening) – **NEW** More info to follow

15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Class 5 & 6 residential trip

## July

10<sup>th</sup> Sports Day (Reception to year 6) 17<sup>th</sup> Reserve sports day if 10<sup>th</sup> cancelled

Last day of term is still to be approved by Governors and as soon as it has been, we will confirm.

