

## Be the best you can be!

### Weekly W/e 1st April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic few weeks we have had with all the children back in school! We are all so proud of their hard work and it has been great to see them getting back to their learning with smiles on their faces.

There's lots to read about in this week's newsletter including information about your child's learning next term and ways you can help them over the Easter break. You'll also see who has been awarded the Merit and Courtesy certificates this term as well as finding out who the 'Always, Always' children

are. Instead of a tea party with me, the children have had a treat bag to take away and enjoy at home.

Please take a few minutes to read through the below information regarding COVID guidelines we are asking you to follow as we break up for the Easter holidays.

 If a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus, having <u>developed symptoms within</u> <u>48hours of being in school</u>, then please contact the office at <u>office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk</u> and we will assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation in line with guidance from Public Health England and the DfE, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school

So, if you or child develops symptoms <u>on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and you receive a positive result for COVID-19</u>, please contact the office and we will identify close contacts and then advise self-isolation. This is because you would be within the 48hours infectious period.

• If a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus, having <u>developed symptoms more than</u> <u>48hours since being in school</u>, the school does <u>not</u> need to be contacted.

So, if you or your child develops symptoms <u>after</u> Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and you have a test carried out and it is confirmed positive, you do not need to inform school. This is because this is beyond the 48hours infectious period. Parents and carers would need to follow the contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace and isolating guidance.

Thank you and I wish you all a very Happy Easter. Mrs Cowell-Clark



#### **Contacting us**

Please remember the email address for support with well-being or behaviour concerns is: parentalsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Calls can be made to school from 8:30am – 4.30pm on 01777 708065.

Enquiries about admissions, school dinners and any other administrative query should be directed to office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk (Please note during the Easter holidays, the office emails will not be checked every day).

Finance queries should be directed to: finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

And IT support queries should be sent to: itsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

#### **Government Guidance**

We have included the below link to the Government website which states the current Government guidance we all need to still be following under the national lockdown. Please take a few minutes to have a read of this guidance.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-athome?utm source=8%20March%202021%20C19&utm medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm campaign= DfE%20C19

#### National Online Safety

Every week, National Online Safety (NOS) produce informative posters highlighting a specific online item. This week they have mentioned 'Chatroulette'.

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.





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reads happiness throughout the school? .....

We had such an amazing response to our Wellbeing Ambassadors appeal and it was so lovely to read through all of the applications. We are pleased to announce the following children are our new Wellbeing Ambassadors:

Year 1: Poppy and Freddie

Year 2: William and Paige

Year 3: Asya and Charlotte

Year 4: Saffron and Ruby

Year 5: Adem and Rose

Year 6: Laurie, Nevaeh and Olivia.

Well done to everyone who applied and we will be sending out further information after Easter!

#### Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)



I'm still smiling as I recall the wonderful time we had in Nursery yesterday recreating events of the first Palm Sunday. It has been so lovely to be able to retell the story and I hope the children will remember it - as well as the fun they had being donkeys or Jesus. If you missed it, check out the videos on our Seesaw Class.

Next term, our focus will be 'Growing' and we will be thinking about the baby animals we see in the Spring starting with frogs and tadpoles.

Have a wonderful break everyone and HAPPY EASTER!

Always, Always - Lucian





#### **Reception Bubble Group (Suva)**

This week in Suva class we have been continuing to learn about Easter and have made some beautiful Easter decorations. We have also been talking about the change in the season and looking for signs of spring.



As an Easter activity to do at home the children have been asked to continue looking for signs of spring and to upload photos of what they have found on to Seesaw.

Our 'Always, Always' child who always does the right thing, is Jacob - well done Jacob!

#### Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)



The children have worked well and independently this week consolidating their learning on capacity. They have had a few hands-on lessons within the topic of volume and capacity, and this week they had a chance to show off what they have learnt. They have also shown a great understanding of E-safety and the reasons why it is so important to keep safe online, and to always share what they are doing on the internet with an adult.

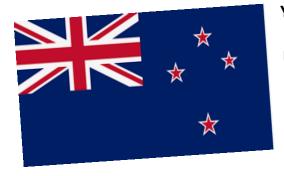
Throughout the holidays, please ensure that your child practises their spellings, as they will be tested on these when they return in their first week back. They have been doing so well in their spelling lessons and we really want them to retain the new sounds and spellings they have worked so hard on in their lessons.

Mrs Williams and Miss Marshall hope you all have a brilliant holiday. You have all worked so hard and have come back so mature and responsible. Make sure you relax, play, venture outdoors and enjoy as many Easter Eggs as you're allowed!

Merit Award – Henry G – For always putting 100% into his learning even when it gets tough!

Courtesy Award – Freddie – For always using his manners and, being friendly and polite!

Always Always - Reiss



#### Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)

In Maths this week, the children have identified a range of 2D shapes and looked at their properties.

In English they have written their own expanded noun phrases, choosing appropriate adjectives to describe the nouns. They listened to the story 'Meerkat Mail' and identified all the different places that Sunny visited.

We completed our class book 'The Danger Gang' by Tom Fletcher and the children really enjoyed finding out the surprise ending that Franky's dad was actually an undercover spy agent! We have started reading 'The boy who grew dragons' by Andy Shepherd and enjoying listening to a few pages before home time.





The children have created some Easter art work, using lines to create an Easter bunny as well as using paint and feathers to create our Easter cards. They also decorated boxes as a little home for an Easter chick including some chocolate! They listened to the Easter story and created their own story boards to re-tell the story.

There will be no spellings set to learn over the Easter holiday but children will bring home an 'Easter Learning Pack' filled with Maths and/or phonics to learn over the break if possible.

I hope you all have a well-deserved break over Easter and I look forward to welcoming you back for the summer term!

Merit Award - Isla O - For always giving 100% and pushing herself to always do better as well as consistently reading at home.

Courtesy Award - Henry - For always using his manners. Henry never forgets to say please and thank you and always shows appreciation for the little things.

Smashers: Everybody in Class 2 has smashed their reading target!

Always Always: William



#### Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week Zagreb class have really enjoyed creating and making their Mayan masks. They were fabulous! They've learnt all about why the Maya had masks and their significance. They also found out about how important chocolate was to the Maya civilisation and they all thoroughly enjoyed tasting many different types of chocolate to see which one was the class favourite!

This half term the children have worked incredibly hard on their grammar and punctuation skills and this is beginning to shine through in their writing. They have finally completed their knowledge on the four operations learning a number of new skills and ways to solve different problems. This is something we will continue to work on after Easter.

It would be great over the Easter holidays if you could continue to listen to your child read and help them with their 3, 4, and 8 times tables.

Merit Award – Toby - for his conscientious attitude towards his learning especially in his Maths.

Courtesy Award – Asya - for her kind and polite attitude towards everyone in the class.

Smashers - Beatrice, Harriet, Winnie

Always Always - Winnie

#### Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)



The children have had a great week completing all their topic work for their 'Settlers' topic. They have been using the internet to understand how we transport across the country and realised just how many different roads there are, and how far different places are!

They also created their own map, thinking about the different aspects of their settlement. They included things such as retail, business parks, agriculture, leisure facilities, housing and parks. It was interesting to see

how they all laid out their own areas, some thinking carefully about where they would place their doctors, for example, so it was near to their housing estates so people could access them easily. The children did find this a tricky task, but all their maps looked amazing, and the key they used made it really clear what each building represented. Well done Year 4!

This week, the children have enjoyed taking part in linear line and mark making (an added bonus that they created their work outside in the lovely weather). They then transferred these skills onto the Easter cards they made for home:



They also enjoyed completing their Maths which included making bar charts by using the super, tasty mini egg treats (that they ate afterwards of course)!

Please remember that over Easter, Year 4 can access the Spelling Shed using their log-ins in the 'log-in' folder in their journal on Seesaw. New spellings will be set to practise for when we return and they can also challenge others and choose many other lists to practise. Let's see if we can maintain our title on the leadership board! As always, TT Rockstars can be accessed from home, so it would be fantastic to keep up the good work in learning their times tables.

We hope each and every one of you have a brilliant Easter break. You have all worked so hard and returned back to school with a fantastic attitude towards learning. Miss Marshall and Mrs Garton are so proud of you all, and all the work you have produced. So, have a fantastic holiday and enjoy those chocolates!

Merit Award – Harvey. Harvey has come back and been an absolute super star. All of his work has been to a really high standard and he puts in so much effort into every task. His concentration throughout every

lesson has been clear to see, showing great care and attention to detail in all that he does. Harvey has pushed himself since returning to school, and it has been great to have him back in the classroom! Keep up the brilliant work Harvey, this is much deserved.

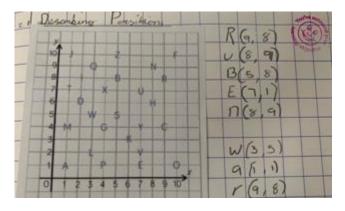
Courtesy Award – Ayda. Ayda has been such a conscientious learner in our classroom. Ayda has not only been really helpful and polite to adults around the school, but also to all members of Class 4. She will help anyone and she does so with a smile on her face! She always makes extra effort with other children on the playground, and it's so nice to see her playing with lots of different children and being a good friend to all. This is the sort of character she is, and it is so refreshing to see. Continue being the respectful and thoughtful person you are Ayda, and you will go far in life!

Always Always - Sarina.

#### Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)



This week in Caracas Class, children have continued their learning about coordinates in Maths and have enjoyed spelling their name using points on a coordinate grid and solved reasoning problems requiring them to explain their knowledge or thinking.



In English, they have focused on their reading comprehension and GPS skills through reading a variety of texts with a space theme, combining Science and English. They were amazed to learn that the International Space Station is the size of a football pitch, has its own gym and orbits the Earth 16 times in one day! They have also been using clips from David Attenborough's BBC One - Life series to apply their understanding of coordinating conjunctions in GPS.

In Computing, they have completed their own eBooks, which are multiple choice quizzes based on COVID-Safety at Clarborough. They have learned to combine text, images and hyperlinks to create their books.

The final virtual session with Doncaster Rovers was an active Maths lesson, in which they generated and created their own data before using this data to create bar charts.





Enjoying the beautiful weather on Tuesday, they took their learning outside and enjoyed some art in the sun on the field. Such a shame it isn't forecast to continue!

A big 'thank you' to Rose who baked an amazing Easter Tray Bake – it was enjoyed by all!



To support learning at home over the holidays, it would be great if children could: read, play on TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed as well as relax, switch off and enjoy family time. I hope you all have a wonderful, safe Easter break and look forward to seeing you all in the Summer Term!

Merit Award – Chloe. Throughout this half term, both at home and on returning to school, Chloe has demonstrated an excellent work ethic and positive attitude to her learning, which has been of a consistently high standard.

Courtesy Award – Harry. Harry has returned to school positive and polite in his attitude and behaviour towards others.

Always, Always - Luke

Smashers - Targets were not set this half term.

#### Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)

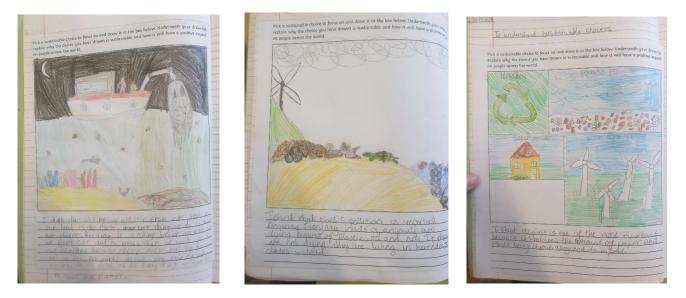


This week the children have been busy writing their discussion texts where they debated whether Stone Age man should hunt mammoths.

The children came up with some fantastic for and against arguments.

My favourite was "that mammoths are used for all aspects of daily life and if we stop hunting them, our way of life will suffer". A counter argument I liked was "by hunting them we are removing a vital part of the ecosystem and the impact might be worse". There were also several arguments involving mammoth poop!

The children have also made some fantastic posters demonstrating how to be a responsible global citizen and save the planet.



Next term, we will be continuing with our microorganism experiments. Where we will be testing what conditions are best for mold growth.

We have had a busy and fantastic week - well done Year 6 and enjoy your Easter break!

Merit Award – Nevaeh. Nevaeh has had a superb work ethic this week and has persevered even when stuck.

Courtesy Award – Emilia. Emilia for being a paragon of manners and courtesy.

Smasher – Olivia. Well done to Olivia for her commitment to reading and developing her vocabulary.

Always Always - Rosie

#### Dates for your Diary....

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Last day of Term Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Holidays Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Children return back to school



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

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: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/</a>

# This information is taken from the daily update received from the Department for Education:

#### Asymptomatic testing information for parents and adults in households with children at school or college

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing.

Test kits can either be collected or ordered online, as set out below. Schools should not give test kits to parents, carers or household members and should not order more test kits for this purpose. Secondary school and college students will continue to access testing through their school or college.

Please share the information below with your parent networks to help answer any questions they may have. Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are <u>different ways</u> for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.