



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

20th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week exploring the cold!

It has been great to see the children working so creatively and collaboratively on lots of great projects and it was so lovely to see so many of you attend our exhibition today.

Next week, we are starting our first session in school for parents. This first meeting will take place from 9:10am on Wednesday 25th January, in school with Mrs Dean. The aim of the session is to find out how we can help you to support your child with their emotions. Please come along for a cuppa and a chat!

As you are probably aware, there is a strike for teachers planned for Wednesday 1st February. I will be in contact with parents next week to inform you of any impact that this may have on the school being able to remain open on that day.

Thank you,
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 'Twitter'.

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 is now open for you to book your child's lunches, Breakfast club and Wraparound places for the Spring Term 1. Please note, these must be booked one week in advance to allow us to ensure correct staffing and meals etc.

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

Star of the Week



This week's theme is: 'Perseverance in Maths'

Please see below for the themes over the next few weeks:

W/b 23rd January: Presentation in English books

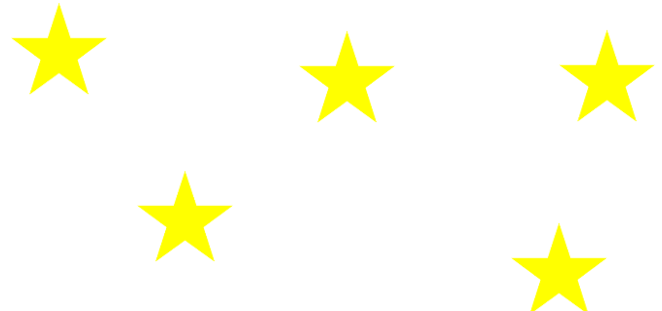
W/b 30th January: Respecting equipment

W/b: 6th February: Sharing ideas with learning partners

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:



Year 1 – Robyn
Year 2 – Monty
Year 3 – Reiss and Ashton
Year 4 – Maia
Year 5 – Beatrice
Year 6 – Emilia



Well done everyone!

Valentine's Disco

We are holding a Valentine's Disco on Friday 10th February. If you would like your child to attend, please pop £2 in the envelope which has been sent home with your child and hand this to the class teacher before Friday 3rd February. The £2 charge will include a drink and sweets for your child.

Children staying in Nursery for the afternoon will be able to have a dance at the disco at 3pm until 3.30pm (during school time) and will then be collected at normal pick up time. There is no charge for the children in Nursery. Children in Reception to Year 6, who attend the disco, will be in the hall from 3.30pm and collected at 4:30pm from the hall doors. All money raised from the school disco will go towards buying a new defibrillator for school.



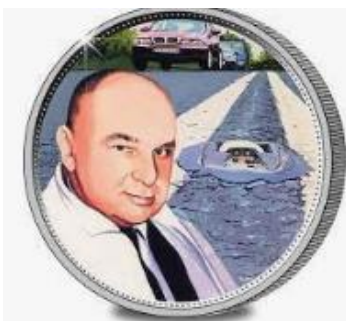
Please note, all children are to attend school on Friday 10th February in normal school uniform and if they are to attend the disco, they can bring a change of clothes to get changed in to for the disco.



Dressing up clothes wanted!

We are asking for any dressing up clothes/outfits to be donated to our school's Wrap Around club. If you have any dressing up clothes at home which you no longer use or your child has grown out of, and are willing to donate to school, please pass them over to your class teacher or to Mrs Hardie in the school Office. Thank you!

Nursery and 30hrs: Percy Shaw Class



Well, where has this week gone?! Our learning based on Hansel and Gretel has been such a success that I think we will continue with it next week. Connected to this, we have been thinking about the importance of avoiding sweets and sugar for the sake of our teeth.

Our 'pop up' dentist was a huge hit and the children got very good at opening their mouths wide, collecting clients from the waiting room and wearing gloves for hygiene!



They have also loved being in the bad witch's cage (amazing what a dog crate can do for the imagination!) while learning to face emotions like fear, excitement and anger in a safe setting.



Reception: Mary Anning Class



This week in Mary Anning class we have had lots of fun exploring the cold. We have made frost angels, footprints and handprints in the frost, and have made gorgeous snowmen pictures. We found out that water becomes ice when it is very cold and that it will melt to become water again when it becomes warmer. We decided to test this by putting trays of water outside on a very cold day and checking to see if the water began to freeze - it did! Then we brought the trays of ice inside to watch them melt in the warmth. We have also been looking for signs of winter and the children produced some brilliant observational drawings of winter trees.

As well as learning about the cold, we have also been talking about Chinese New Year, and where and how it is celebrated. We have learnt that red is a lucky colour in China and that people celebrate by eating special foods and watching lion and dragon dances.

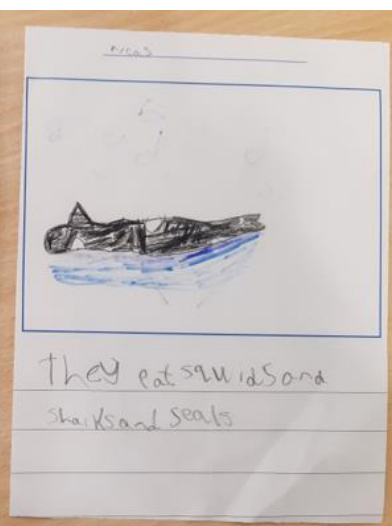
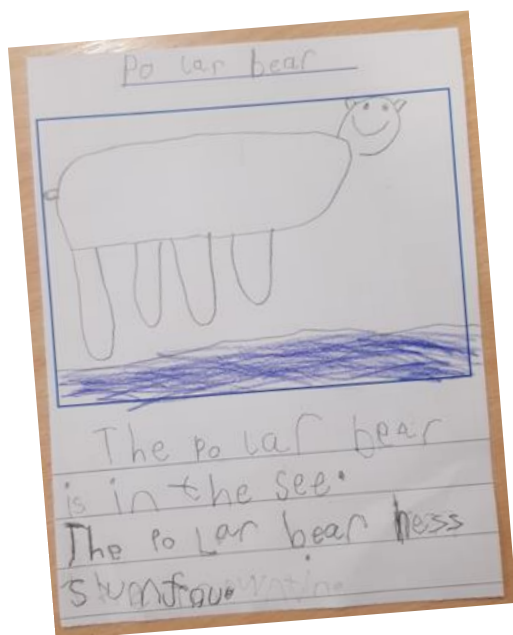


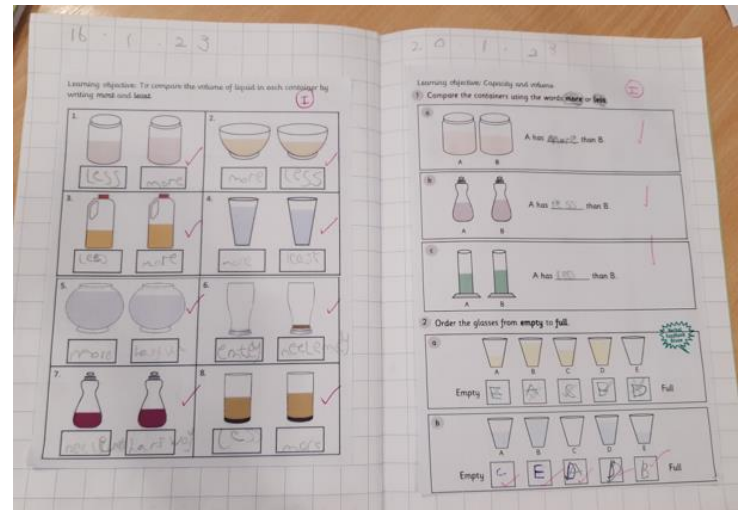
Next week, we will be listening to the story of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker', continuing to talk about how humans change as they grow, and what we can do now that we couldn't do when we were babies.



Year 1: Garrett Morgan Class

In Maths this week, the children in Year 1 have been measuring capacity, making potions and using the words 'empty' and 'full.' In English, they have been designing a hat for a queen and in Clarborough Curriculum, they have been exploring the cold. They have been finding out about how blubber keeps some animals warm in cold climates and creating silhouette pictures of Antarctica. The children have created digital sounds in Computing and have learnt five new colours in French!

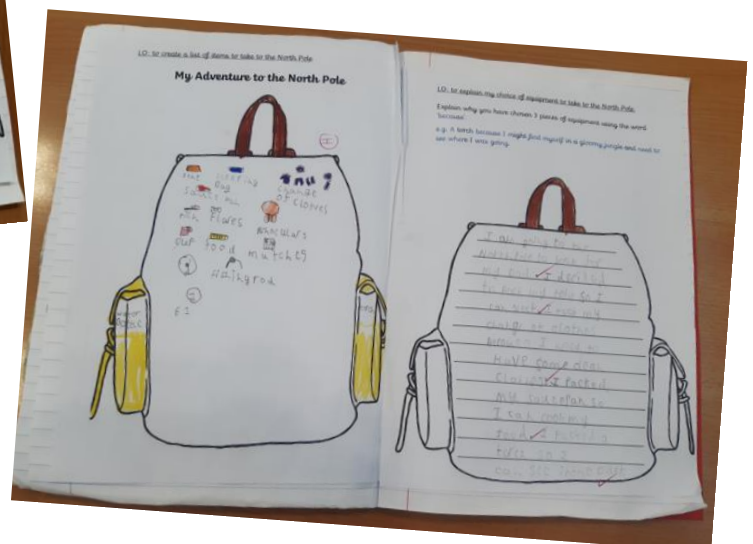
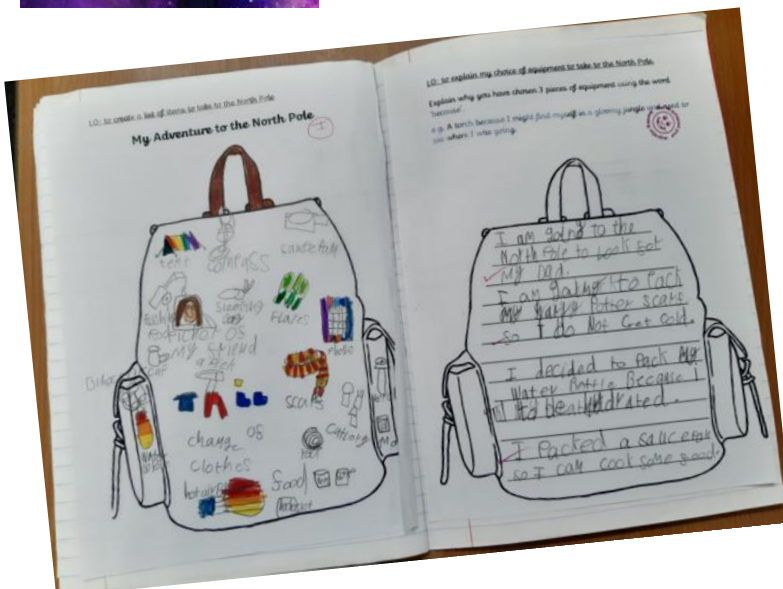




Next week, Year 1 will be comparing capacity and focusing on number bonds to 20. They will be making their own storyboard, making one change from the story 'The Queen's Hat' and they will also be finding out about past British monarchs from 1066.

Year 2: Professor Brian Cox Class

In Maths, the children in Year 2 have been exploring irregular 2-D shapes and have been making an Arctic picture out of these shapes. In English, they have been writing about the things they would take with them to the North Pole and they have also made posters about climate change. In Clarbrough Curriculum the children have found out about polar regions and have created some beautiful watercolours of the Northern Lights. They have continued their work on Scratch in Computing and in French, they have been learning to say, "I can ..."



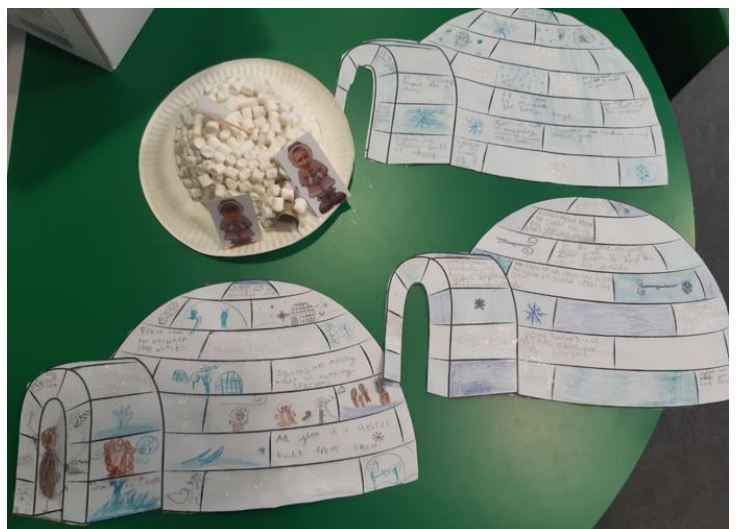


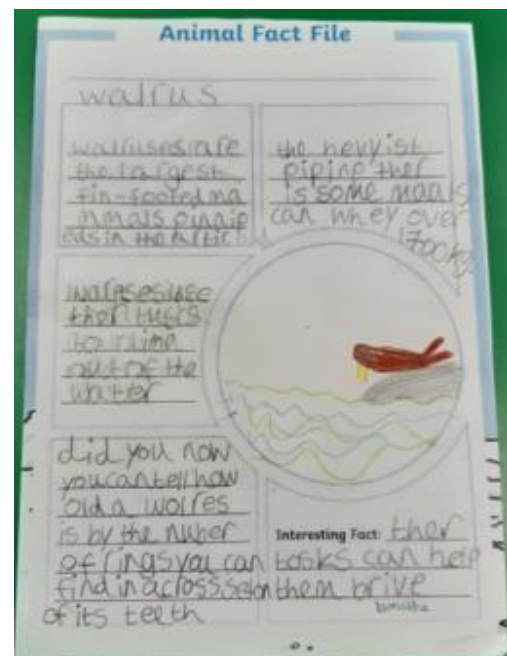
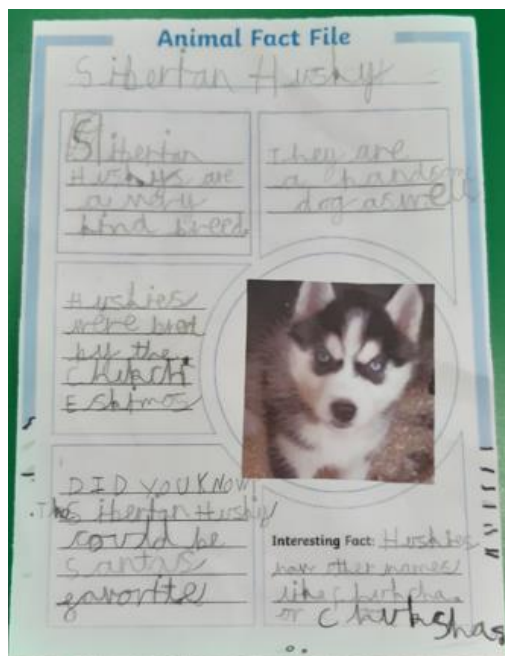
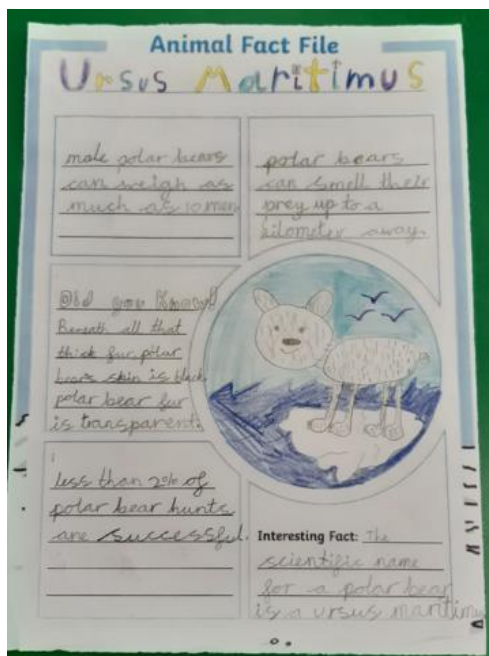
Next week, Year 2 will be learning more about 3-D shapes and doubling using multi-links; they will be writing questions and exclamation sentences in English and they will also be learning about changing weather in Clarborough Curriculum. They will continue with Scratch in Computing and practising their French speaking, saying "I can ..." They will also be using their multi-skills in PE for some teamwork games.

Year 3: Mary Jackson Class



In Maths, the pupils have been adding and subtracting money and practising giving change. In English they have been writing animal fact files and in Clarborough Curriculum, they have been exploring the polar regions; they have created polar bear art and made igloos using marshmallows; they have also dressed themselves as Innuits! The children have been looking at an experiment to know more about rising sea levels and have been using music apps too. In French, Year 3 have been practising saying, "I can ..."





Next week, the children will be focusing on subtraction and two-step problems and looking at the different layers in the rainforest.

Year 4: Richard Leakey Class



In Maths this week, Year 4 have been spending a virtual budget of £850 on survival kits. In English, they have been writing explorer diaries from the Arctic and learning more about the Inuit people. In Clarbrough Curriculum, they have been learning about the diet of Arctic explorers and finding out about global warming. They have also found out more about how animals adapt to cold climates. The children have enjoyed investigating insulation and staying warm using ice and creating an Arctic animal line art.





Next week, Year 4 will be adding and subtracting fractions in Maths. They will be finishing their Roman soldier instructions in English and finding out more about sources of sound in Science. The children will also be finding out about the main beliefs of Buddhism in RE.

Year 5: Hedy Lamarr Class



This week in Maths, the children in Year 5 have been measuring using different units of measure all linked to the cold (like positive and negative temperatures). In English, they have finished their writing and have word-processed their Everest fact file.



In Clarborough Curriculum, they have been looking at the record holders who have climbed Mount Everest – did you know the youngest person to climb it was 13 years old and the oldest was 80?!

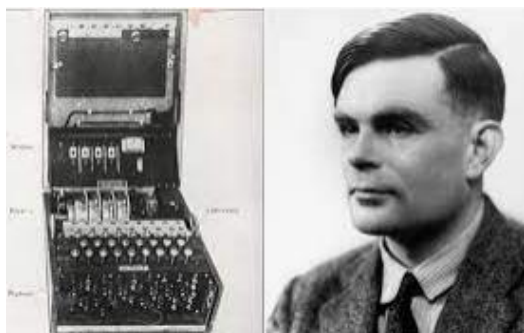


The children have sketched some images of Mount Everest using oil pastels – they are stunning! They have also been looking at burger sauces and have been creating some fantastic tunes using Garage Band. In French, Year 5 have been learning to talk about their pets.

Next week they will be multiplying by 2 or more digits; they will be planning a suspense thriller narrative and in Clarborough Curriculum, they will be describing the climates in mountains as well as testing different burger buns. In PSHE, Year 5 will be discussing why there are laws and the consequences of having them.



Year 6: Alan Turing Class



In Maths this week, Year 6 have been dividing fractions, multiplying fractions and finding fractions of amounts. In English, they have been using pronouns and planning a setting description which they will use to create a leaflet using persuasive language next week. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been exploring the cold: sketching portraits of wolves, exploring cold colours using watercolours, toasting marshmallows by the fire and exploring living organisms in the Arctic. They have also been finding out more about what it is like in the Arctic.





Next week, Year 6 will be rounding decimals and looking at the value of integers in Maths. They will be creating their persuasive leaflet all about Stig's home in English. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children will be looking at tools and nutrition during The Stone Age and looking at maps to find regions and lines of longitude, latitude and the tropics. They will be finding out about the Linnaean system in Science and continuing with orienteering in PE – remember to wrap up warm!

Dates for your Diary....

Wednesday 25th January, 9.10am – Parent meeting led by Mrs Dean: Managing Emotions

Friday 3rd February – Young Voices Concert (KS2)

Friday 10th February – Valentine's Disco and last day of term

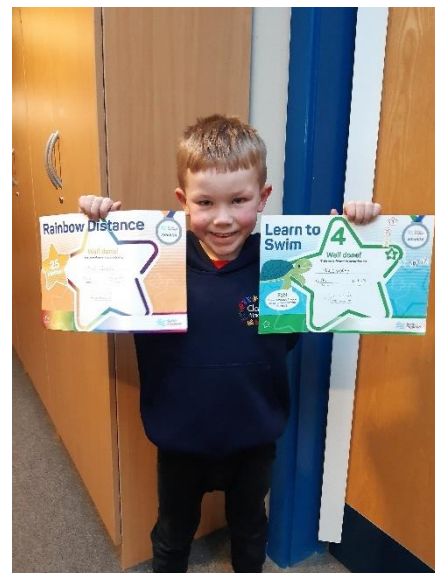
Monday 13th to Friday 17th February – Half Term

Monday 20th February – 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.

Well done to Jack who received his Learn to Swim 4 Certificate and 25m Rainbow Distance Certificate – Fantastic work Jack!



Congratulations to Jake who received his Learn to Swim 4 Certificate and 25m Rainbow Distance Certificate – Amazing work Jake!

Well done to Willow who received her Stage 3 Learn to Swim Award – Brilliant work Willow!



A big well done to Oliver who received his Learn to Swim 4 Certificate and 25m Rainbow Distance Certificate - Super work Oliver!

Congratulations to Harriet who received her Blue Award in Gymnastics this week – Great work Harriet!



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

School Vacancy



Be the best you can be!

13th January 2023

Full-Time Teaching Assistant

We are seeking a highly-skilled, flexible and friendly person with strong and consistent behaviour management skills to fulfil a variety of roles. These include: supporting small groups of pupils with intervention work across Key Stages 1 and 2 and providing PPA cover for class teachers in line with our long-term Clarborough Curriculum.

This NJE Grade 4 post is initially for two terms and starts in February 2023; working hours are Monday to Friday, 9 am – 3:30 pm. The successful candidate will be committed to supporting the school's development after our recent 'Good' Ofsted (January 2022) and will inspire, challenge and support our school community in line with our school ethos.

In return, we offer children who are happy and engaged in their learning, a strong and supportive staff team and Governing Body and a modern, vibrant and spacious learning environment.

Application forms, job description and the person specification are available on our website www.clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Visits to our school are actively encouraged and tours will be given by the Headteacher and House Captains. Tours can be arranged by calling 01777 708065

Closing dates for applications: Monday 23rd January 2023 at 12 pm
Interview date: Friday 27th January 2023

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Section Leader

Help deliver skills for life.

Would you like the chance to go camping, climbing, potholing, lead community projects while helping prepare young people with skills for life? As a section leader you will do all of this and more, using your skills and learning new ones.

As part of 1st Clarbrough and District Scout Group, you will be able to plan and deliver a safe and exciting programme for young people, making sure every young person gets the chance to spend at least one night away each year.

You'll use your energy and creativity to help young people have fun, develop their potential and earn a wide range of badges and awards, including the prestigious Chief Scout Awards. Of course you won't have to do this alone – a team of supporters, parents and the young people themselves will help you plan and deliver the programme. But it's your enthusiasm and sense of fun and adventure that will inspire them.

1st Clarbrough and District Scouts is part of the Scouts, offering fun, friendship and skills for life to over 460,000 young people across the UK.

Interested?

Contact Christie on 07906579102
or email clarboroughscouts@gmail.com



We rely on people like you playing their part to give young people the opportunities they need.

But volunteering's not just about giving something back. It's also about doing something that's good for you.

Volunteering gives you career-boosting skills, improves your wellbeing, and helps you make connections with friends, family and your local community.

So what are you waiting for? Get in touch to find out about how volunteering can help you.

scouts.org.uk/volunteer

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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 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 are any concerns regarding parking.

Nottinghamshire County Council

Do not park on school keep clear markings

Our CCTV car is now out patrolling Nottinghamshire schools to help discourage dangerous and inconsiderate parking.

Motorists caught parking on restricted areas near schools or in bus stops will be issued with a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) of £70.

Parking on school keep clear markings can seriously endanger road safety for children. Please only park in marked areas and help us keep our school children safe.

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