



*Be the best you can be!*

## **Weekly Newsletter**

W/e 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week it's been! There has been so much activity on Seesaw this week and it's great to see!

I want to thank those of you who have been in touch this week with questions or queries about the work being set or access to digital devices. It has been great to be able to help you during these tricky times. From Monday next week, you will be receiving a weekly phone call from one of the staff team to make sure that things are as well as they can be.

During this national lockdown it remains vitally important that all of us follow the rules and restrictions put in place to keep us safe.

Please follow the link below to see the **Stay at Home** Guidance:

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home?utm\\_source=5%20January%202021%20C19&utm\\_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm\\_campaign=DfE%20C19#going-to-school-college-and-university](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home?utm_source=5%20January%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19#going-to-school-college-and-university)

I would like to encourage critical worker parents who are dropping off and picking up their children from school to wear face coverings at the school gate to keep school staff as safe as possible. Thank you for ensuring that your child is only in school on the days that you are working and unable to take care of them.

Enjoy the snow ... while it lasts!

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](mailto: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](mailto:office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)

Finance queries should be directed to: [finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)

And IT support queries should be sent to: [itsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:itsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)

## Accelerated Readers



Your child is now able to use Accelerated Reader at home so children from Years 2 to 6 should be able to quiz their books at home now!

Your login details should be in your child's planner. If you can't find them, please message your teacher on Seesaw for your child's details. Miss Green will send the Year 2 login details out on Seesaw next week.

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

Another busy week at home and school for the Nursery children. Next week we are going to be basing our work around fruit and vegetables - we are hoping to get the children trying some things they don't normally like!

I'd also like to warn you that we are hoping to do some baking midweek so it would be great if you could be prepared with flour, castor sugar, bicarbonate of soda, cinnamon, ginger and an egg. Don't worry if you can't face this though!

### Reception Bubble Group (Suva)

This has been another fantastic week in Suva class with some amazing learning happening at home and in school. The children have loved learning about 'The Smartest Giant in Town' and amongst other things have been dressing up in giant (grown-up!) clothing, finding things that are longer, shorter or the same size as a giant footprint and thinking about being kind.

Next week we will be focusing on one of our very favourite books - 'Supertato' by Paul Linnet and Sue Hendra. Everyone will need a potato to make our favourite superhero. Playdough (shop-bought or home-made), paper, pens, glue and scissors will also be really helpful.

In Maths, we will be continuing to practise making 5 in different ways and will also be looking at the numbers 6 and 7, so anything that can be used to count will be useful - pasta, coins, pens, toys, etc.

We will also be thinking about food (another of our favourite things!) and eating healthily.

### Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)

Next week in Year 1 we will be continuing to look at number bonds to 20 and beginning to look more at addition and subtraction. We will also continue to look at length and how we can measure the length of different items.

Miss Marshall and Mrs Williams have been super impressed at how well you have done with your spellings this week and we can't wait to see how you do with the new spellings with the 'ar' phoneme this week. Remember to keep practising before Wednesday. We will also have some new phase 5 phonemes and tricky words to learn next week.

Our topic this half term is about Elizabeth II so we will be looking at who she is and finding out about her next week too.

Miss Marshall and Mrs Williams are really enjoying looking at all your online learning and are super proud of you all!

## Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)

In Maths, we will be learning how to subtract one digit numbers from two digit numbers using a number line. We will then move on to adding two digit numbers together using the column method.

In English, we will look at some sentences in our story 'The Great Explorer' and learn how adverbs can improve our writing. We will use our knowledge of adjectives and adverbs to write a paragraph about the icebergs.

In Topic, we will order sentences to create a diary written by Christopher Columbus. We will also look at how sea journeys were different in 1492 focusing on food, sleep, work, direction and communication.

In Science, we will be identifying healthy and unhealthy foods and designing a menu that has the right amount of each food type.

In Art, we will understand that a portrait is a picture of one person or a small group of people. The children will draw their face using an egg shape and add eyes, nose and a mouth in the right place. They will look at three different portraits from famous artists and note similarities and differences.

I will continue to set wellbeing challenges throughout the week and hopefully have our first Teams Meeting as a whole class.

Keep up the hard work Wellington Class, you are all trying so hard and I am very proud of you!

## Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

In Maths, we will be exploring written methods for multiplication. The children will be focusing on short multiplication, learning how to multiply 2 digit numbers by a 1 digit number without regrouping. Some children will then begin to move on to multiplying 2 digit numbers by a 1 digit number with regrouping (See the examples below).

$$\begin{array}{r} 32 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 96 \end{array}$$

No  
regrouping/carry

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 67 \\ \times 3 \\ \hline 201 \end{array}$$

With  
regrouping/carry

In English, they will be inferring character's thoughts, feelings and motives. They will be identifying features within letters with the aim of writing their own persuasive letters.

In grammar and punctuation, they will be focusing on using commas in a list and using prepositions for time, place and cause.

- Commas in a list:

A comma separates items in a list.

Jenna bought some apples, grapes, bananas, and pears for her fruit salad.



- Prepositions:

*A preposition is a word that tells you where or when something is in relation to something else.*

*Examples of prepositions include words like after, before, on, under, inside and outside.*

*The house was on the hill beside a tree.*

*In this sentence 'on' and 'beside' are prepositions which show you exactly where*

In Topic, they will be researching the life cycles and the requirements of life for plants. They will be looking at why we need rainforests and their importance, as well as exploring the different layers of the rainforest and finally comparing these to UK woodlands. The children will be asked to make a rainforest biome (terrarium), so it would be great if you could save a plastic bottle or see through bowl.

In French, they will be continuing with their French of Les Fruits.

### **Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)**

**Maths:** Multiplying 3 numbers together and finding efficient ways to do this ( $3 \times 5 \times 2$ ), efficient multiplication using a partitioning, mental method ( $56 \times 5 = 50 \times 5 + 6 \times 5$ ).

**English:** They will have the chance to create their own information booklet on volcanoes around the world OR the history of Pompeii using Book Creator online. To assist with this, they will be able to access SPaG which recaps on how to use bullet point, colons to introduce lists and also completing more work on apostrophes and when not to use them in a word. There will also be a lesson on prepositional phrases (saying where an object/subject is placed).

**Topic** – Year 4 will have the option to choose what they complete in their topic on volcanoes this week – there will be a choice board allowing them to complete a reading comprehension, an option to create a volcano model of their own or a geographical task to locate famous volcanoes around the world.

**Music** – During music they will be learning more about rhythm and pulse through the National Oak academy – be prepared to create rhythms and some Year 4s will enjoy singing along!

**Art** – They will be learning about Kandinsky and the art he produced whilst using music as a stimulus. Year 4 will try and create their own masterpieces whilst listening to music of their choice, using Kandinsky's techniques of different lines and shapes.

What you may need for lessons: items/materials to create a volcano if this choice is made on the choice board on Seesaw. You can be as creative as you like with this one and even use outdoor items such as twigs, leaves, mud, sand, etc.

### **Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)**

In Maths next week, the children will be multiplying 2, 3 & 4-digit numbers by a one-digit number.

In English, they will be watching another short film called 'The Ridge' and using it as a stimulus for reading and writing activities.

In GPS, they will be learning about parenthesis using 'The Natural Curriculum' website, which they are familiar with using at school.

They will continue learning about mountains by learning the names of some of the worlds' famous mountains.

In French, they will continue the 'Do You Have a Pet?' unit and will also continue their 'Music Creation' unit in Computing.

On Wednesday afternoons, their sessions with Doncaster Rovers will continue and we will be introducing a weekly workout with Doncaster Rovers on a Monday as well as using Joe Wicks on a Wednesday & Friday.

Well done for all your hard work and excellent engagement this week!

## **Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)**

In Maths, we will be multiplying and dividing by powers of 10

In English and Clarborough Curriculum, we will be looking at the introduction of bronze to prehistoric man and using persuasive features to sell a Stone Age house.

In Science, the children will be looking at how the body transports water and nutrients around the body.

We will also continue to look at global citizenship.



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](mailto: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:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>