

## Be the best you can be!

# **Weekly Newsletter**

10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely to have a snowy end to our school week!

I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to the pupils who came to Retford Leisure Centre last Saturday with myself and Miss Green for the Retford Rotary Swimathon. We were so proud of all the children who took part! They all swam as many lengths as they could in 13 minutes and raised an incredible £1,156 in sponsorship money! This will be shared between the Rotary and our chosen charity, CASY Counselling Service. The children will be presented with a trophy for the highest sponsorship raised for a junior organisation at an event at Ye Old Bell over the weekend.

Mr Potter ran a parent and carer drop-in session today on Rainbow Grammar. It was great to see so many people attending and finding out more about how we are teaching the children about grammar and punctuation. We hope you found it useful!

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: <a href="mailto:finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk">finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk</a>

## **National Online Safety**

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

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 2. 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

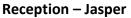
Rather than a weekly theme, our star of the week will be chosen from our termly Clarborough Curriculum focus. This term, the focus is 'Resilience'.

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:









Year 1 – Jack

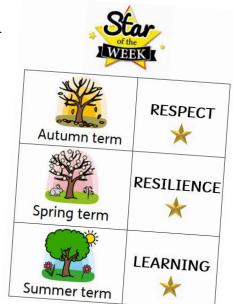
Year 2 – Jacob

Year 3 – Edwin

Year 4 - Umur and Alyssa

Year 5 - Emily

Year 6 - James



#### Well done everyone!

## Swimathon 2023!

We are delighted to announce that our three Clarborough Teams, who took part in the charity swimathon last Saturday, raised £1,156 making us the highest Junior Organisation with the most sponsorship!

We are now collecting all the sponsorship money. Please can your child bring in their sponsor form and money to school by <u>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March.</u>

There is a small Awards Ceremony at Ye Olde Bell at 4pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March and if any of the children can attend this, please can you attend in non-uniform and bring your medal! Well done #TeamClarborough!

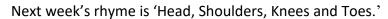




## **Nursery and 30hrs: Percy Shaw Class**



Another lovely busy week in Nursery learning how healthy food helps us to grow using the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar.' We have enjoyed so many lovely activities and the children have been really enthusiastic. Also shown are the clever beans who learnt the Rhyme of the Week.







## **Reception: Mary Anning Class**



This week we have been enjoying lots of activities linked to 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and have compared alternative versions of the story such as 'Jack and the Incredibly Mean Stalk' and 'Jim and the Beanstalk'. The children decided what they would like to find at the top of a beanstalk and had some fantastic ideas: Chocolate land, superhero land and a fairy garden were just a few of them!

We planted beans and talked about what they needed to grow and found out that lots of spring flowers grow from bulbs.

Next week, we will be re-reading the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and talking about the life-cycle of butterflies







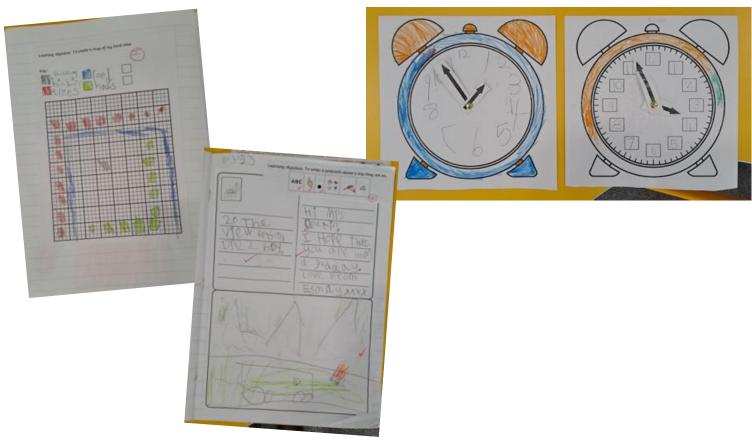
**Year 1: Garrett Morgan Class** 



This week, Year 1 have been talking about what we do before and after school, listening to the days of the week song and months of the year song, making their own clocks with numbers, minute-hand and hour-hand and then telling the time to the hour. In English, they have been writing their postcards to a friend and a 'thank you' letter. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been looking at how Nelson Mandela dedicated his life to fighting for peace and in Science, they have been spotting the signs of Spring around the school grounds. In Art, the children have been looking

at food groups and explaining why we all need to eat a balanced diet. In Computing, they have been programming sequence direction and correcting errors and in Music, they have been listening to 'The Imperial March'.

Next week, Year 1 will be telling the time to the half hour and in English, they will be writing a letter of appointment and writing a letter to a friend inviting them to a birthday party. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children will be learning about British Science week and carrying out lots of science experiments!



A big well done to Jake, Archie, Arthur, Ollie and Jack who all received their Sparkly Pen Licence this week – Great work boys!











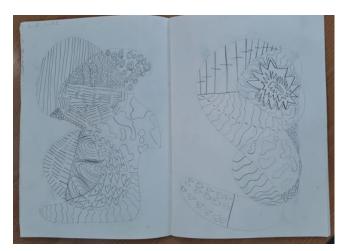


## **Year 2: Professor Brian Cox Class**

This week in Maths, Year 2 have been measuring items and objects using metres (m) and centimeters (cm) and finding thirds of shapes in their fraction work. In English, they have been writing up their non-chronological report on The Olympics and in Science, they have been looking at life cycles of animals including humans and understanding what we need to survive and stay healthy. In French, the children have been using 'je peux' in games and in Computing, they have been creating different types of graphs to present data. In Art, the children have been line marking in black

and white and also colour.

Next week, is assessment week for Year 2.









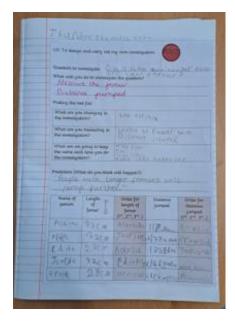
**Year 3: Mary Jackson Class** 

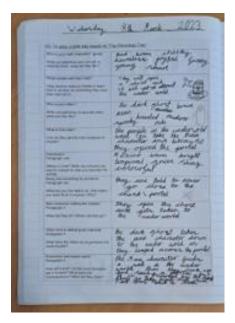


This week in Maths, Year 3 have been looking months and years and, dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. In English, they have been looking at and using synonyms and antonyms. The children have also been planning their own folk tales based on the Mayan civilisation, including a problem and lesson learnt. In Clarborough Curriculum, Year 3 have been researching the Mayan writing system and looking at how words are constructed and what codices are. In Science, the children have been carrying out their own investigation; 'Do children with a longer femur bone, jump further?' and in

Art, they have been designing their own Mayan art sculpture based on artefacts. In PE, the children have been enjoying passing and scoring in hockey.

Next week, Year 3 will be dividing 100 into 2, 4, 5 and 10 equal parts and dividing with remainders. In English, they will be writing up their folk tale and in Clarborough Curriculum, they will be looking at Mayan foods and understanding why they were significant.







**Year 4: Richard Leakey Class** 

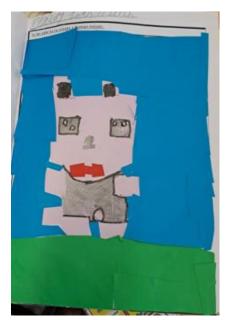


This week in Maths, Year 4 have been continuing to look at fractions. They have been adding and subtracting more than one fraction and even challenged themselves to understand how to add and subtract fractions that have different denominators. In English, the children started to create work based upon the book and fabulous true story 'The boy who harnessed the wind'. They studied the cover and blurb and made predictions about what might happen in the story. The children have also used stills from the film to support their Rainbow Grammar lesson using fronted adverbials and adverbial clauses. In History, the children

looked at the Celtic queen, Boudicca and her rebellion against the Romans, understanding why she fought against them and in PSHE, Year 4 continued with online safety with a focus on communicating online. In Science, the children investigated incomplete and complete circuits. They looked at some circuit diagrams and had to make predictions about whether they would work or not. The children then built these circuits. In Art, Year 4 created their Roman mosaics with patterns inspired by actual designs from Pompeii and in Computing, they continued to look at 3D modelling and built 3D structures.

Next week, Year 4 will be looking at decimals in Maths and in English, they will be producing some descriptive writing about the setting of Africa and some of the tribes who live there. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children will be looking at Boudicca's battle plans and analysing why they weren't successful and in Science, they will be looking at conductors and understanding what makes a good conductor.



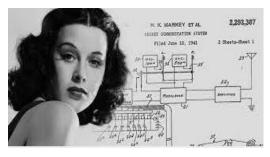








**Year 5: Hedy Lamarr Class** 



This week in Maths, Year 5 have been comparing and ordering fractions greater than 1 and continuing practising ordering fractions, despite finding it tricky! In English, they have read more of 'The Jamie Drake Equation' and completed their own diaries from the point of view of Jamie's dad. In RE, the children produced a comic strip of events from Holy week and in Science, they learned about how the planets move in the Solar System.

Next week, the children will be moving on to space poetry and in Maths they will be multiplying a fraction by an integer.

\*\*Please can all children in Year 5 bring in a baseball cap for their Music project on Monday. They are learning the Fresh Prince of Belair rap and will be in costume for their music lesson!





**Year 6: Alan Turing Class** 



This week in Maths, Year 6 have been looking at ratio and pie charts. In English, the children completed their diary entries and began planning a newspaper report and in Art, they sketched Stonehenge. In Computing, the children aligned images and in French, they discussed healthy and unhealthy foods.

Next week, Year 6 will be writing a newspaper report on xenotransplants in English and looking at scale factors and dividing by decimals in Maths. In Science, the children will be understanding how

nutrients and water are transported in animals and in Clarborough Curriculum, they will be looking at maps with scales, and measuring distances. In Computing, the children will look at hyperlinks.

## Dates for your Diary....

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Assessment Week
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 1)
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 2)
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Height and Weight measurements for Reception and Year 6
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Last day of term
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Holidays
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – 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 Oliver who gained his 25m Rainbow Distance Certificate this week – Amazing work Oliver!





Congratulations to Isla who received a football trophy for running the ball back and trying really hard for Retford FC u9 Girls on Saturday – Great work Isla!

A big well done to James for receiving Man of the Match for playing really well and good tackling for Bawtry Juniors on Sunday – Brilliant work James!





Well done to Arthur who has received his 20m Rainbow Distance Certificate this week – Fantastic work Arthur!

Congratulations to Isabella who received her Learn to Swim 5 Certificate this week – Awesome work Isabella!





A big well done to Ella who received her 400m Rainbow Distance Certificate in swimming this week - Super work Ella!

## **School Vacancy**

Full details can be found on our school website together with an application form.



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February 2023

# Part-Time Early Years 1:1 Teaching Assistant

A unique opportunity has arisen for an excellent Early Years Teaching Assistant to join our supportive and forward-thinking team at Clarborough Primary School. We are seeking a highly-skilled, flexible and friendly person with strong, consistent behaviour management skills to fulfil a variety of roles working 1:1 with a child with Special Education Needs.

The role will include: providing support to teachers with the learning and personal development of pupils with complex needs and/or disabilities to whom you are assigned and to enable the best use of the educational opportunities available to them.

We are looking for an outstanding person who can use their initiative, is committed, hardworking and eager to develop personally and who will inspire, challenge and support children, staff and parents. The successful candidate will need to aid the pupil to learn as effectively as possible both in group situations and on their own. For example: by clarifying and explaining instructions, ensuring the pupil is able to use equipment and materials provided, motivating and encouraging the pupil as required by providing levels of individual attention, reassurance and help with learning tasks as appropriate to pupils' needs and promoting the acceptance and inclusion of the pupil with SEND, encouraging pupils to interact with each other in an appropriate and acceptable manner.

Experience is good but we are willing to train!

This NJE Grade 2, Point 2 post is initially for one year and starts as soon as possible. Working hours are Monday to Friday mornings. We strongly recommend that you come and visit our school before applying so you can see Team Clarborough at work – a whole morning session would be ideal.

Closing date for applications: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 12 pm Shortlisting: 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Interview date: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

We look forward to welcoming you!

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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

### **Local News**





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 in 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 any concerns regarding parking.

