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Weekly Newsletter

W/e 18th June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another busy week we have had! There's been lots going on and the children have managed so well in the heat we had. Of course, as only the British weather can, when we start to plan outside activities, the rain begins! I know that won't stop us having lots of fun next week with Forest Schools (Further information later in the newsletter).

We have arranged to have our competitive sports day on Friday 2nd July for children in Years 1 - 6. The children will compete in races that they will practised as part of their PE lessons. Scores will be collected so that we can award the winning house with our Sports Day Trophy. Our children in Foundation will be enjoying their sports day on Thursday 15th July. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions on gatherings, there will be no spectators for either of these sports days this year. We will be posting videos of the races on Seesaw for you to watch and enjoy.

On Friday 9th July, the children will get the opportunity to spend time with their new class teacher on our 'class swap day.' This will be a great opportunity for them and will help to support their transition to their next year group. Pupils in Year 6 will have a fantastic day of team activities, problem solving and orienteering. There will be more information about this closer to the date.

Our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly will be taking place on Wednesday 21st July at 2pm. This year it will be taking place outside (so keep your fingers crossed for good weather!). Due to restrictions currently in place, only one parent can attend in person. Again, I understand that this will be disappointing but I am sure you appreciate that we must continue to keep safety measures in place. The assembly will be available on Seesaw and I know that it will be a memorable performance from our Year 6 pupils.

I would like to ask if anyone has any good-quality and complete board games that are not being used that could be donated to school. Board games are very popular activities in breakfast club and our after-school care so any donations would be gratefully received!

A final and continued thank you for following the guidance if your child is unwell. It is so important that we continue to get PCR tests done when children display a high temperature or cough. I know that this means children are staying at home whilst waiting for results but it is helping us keep our school as safe as possible. If your child is absent from school as they are isolating, work will be provided for them by their class teacher via Seesaw. Please get in touch if you have any questions about this.

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

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

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

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

Swimming lessons

For those children in Years 3 and 6, swimming lessons will be adapted as part of Drowning Prevention Week. If your child normally swims on Tuesdays, they will need to bring with them for the next couple of weeks:

- 1 x Normal swim wear/costume*
- 1 x Long sleeved top
- 1 x Pair of long bottoms**

*Normal swim wear/costume is required by all to be underneath clothes

**No Jeans or anything with small pieces that could easily come off (e.g. sequins)



National Online Safety



Every week, National Online Safety (NOS) produce informative posters highlighting a specific online item. This week they have mentioned 'Let's Tackle Online Hate Together'.

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.

We're on Facebook and Instagram!

We are on Facebook and Instagram! Search for 'Clarborough Primary' and follow us for regular updates and see what we are getting up to!



Toys and Fidget Toys

Please note that fidget toys or any other sort of toy should not be brought into school unless you have spoken with your teacher and they have permitted your child to bring it in.

Sickness

Just a polite reminder that if your child has been sick, they must stay at home for 48 hours after their last episode of sickness. They cannot come back to school after just one day.

Young Voices

The children really enjoyed taking part in the 'Big Sing' on Tuesday. We joined the live stream from the O2 Arena to take part in the singing and looked to see if any of our classes were shown on the big screen!



Forest Schools Week – 21st to 25th June



Each class from Years 1-6 will be taking part in a range of very exciting Forest Schools activities throughout the week. Some of the activities include; fire lighting and making hot chocolate, roasting marshmallows, making dream catchers and forest clay faces. The children will be learning a range of survival skills too.

Here is the timetable for each Forest Schools session:

	Morning	Afternoon
Tuesday	Year 1	Year 2
Wednesday	Year 3	Year 4
Thursday	Year 5	Year 6

The children will arrive at school for their usual drop off times, go in to class and register. The morning sessions will begin at 9:30am and the afternoon sessions will end at 3:00pm giving plenty of time for children to collect their belongings before they go home.

Please ensure your child arrives at school in their PE kit on their specific Forest Schools day. If the weather is rainy, please provide your child with a waterproof jacket/ coat and wellingtons/ spare trainers.

New Class Teachers for September

A reminder of next year's teachers and teaching assistants for September 2021:

Nursery: Mrs Dean, Miss Holden and Mrs Gulsever

Reception: Mrs Turton with Mrs Stocks

Year 1: Miss Green and Miss Orwin

Year 2: Mrs Williams and Miss Marshall with Mrs Waring

Year 3: Mrs Green and Mrs Garton

Year 4: Mrs Holmes with Mrs Brown

Year 5: Miss Mayhew with Mrs Beswarick

Year 6: Mr Potter with Mrs Beswarick

Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)



This week we have been thinking about journeys in London and look who came to visit us in our classroom!

It's been a fantastic week, learning together about how taxis work and visiting London landmarks. I'm so proud of the children who are getting really good at getting in and out of their fancy dress clothes independently.



The children have also been exploring nature and the outside environment. They played and explored petals in the tuff tray and then picked their own green beans that they have been growing – Delicious!

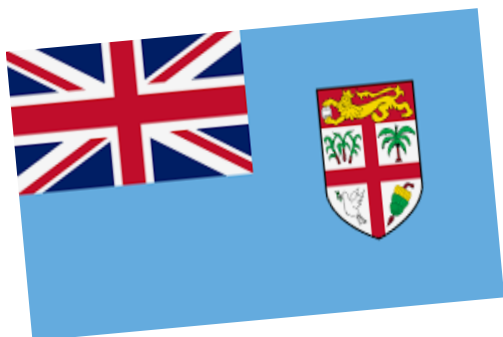


Next week, we're off to Africa!



Star of the week: Jenson for producing such wonderful drawings and writing at home and at school!

Reception Bubble Group (Suva)



This week in Suva class we have been busy making Kente cloth patterns with crayons and watered-down paint.

We also enjoyed listening to African music and talking about different instruments and the sounds they make.



The children have had lots of fun learning tricky phase 2 and phase 3 words and next week, we will be looking at journeys to London.

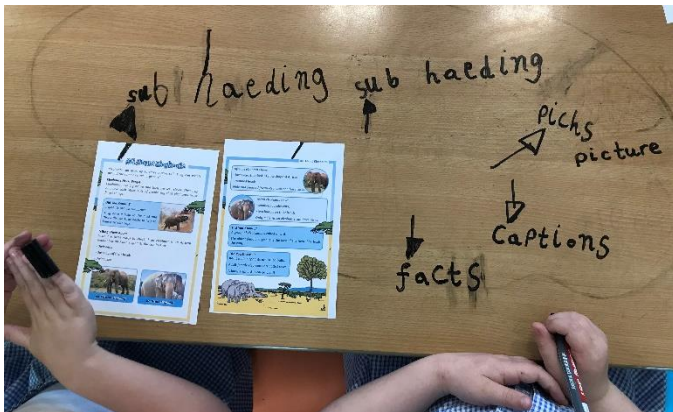


Star of the week: Lewis for trying really hard with writing his name!



Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)

We have had another great week in Year 1. The children have been so excited about our new topic 'The Titanic' and it has been lovely to see some of the pictures and models they have been making at home.



Literacy

In Literacy, we are going to be writing a fact file about 'The Titanic'. We have been finding out about features of a fact file and finding out lots of information about 'The Titanic' ship. The children have watched some video clips, used non-fiction books and used the internet to find out lots of information. We have put this on to our plan so next week we can write a fact file about it.

LO: to plan a fact file	
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Maths

In Maths this week, some of the children have been completing assessment tasks. While we have been doing this the other children have been revisiting some of the topics we have looked at previously. By the end of Year 1, children need to be able to write numbers in digits and words to 20 so we have been having a practise at writing the words. We have revisited addition and subtraction, doubling and halving to see if the children have retained what we had taught earlier on in the year. They have been trying to solve different problems linked to these topics. Recalling our number bonds to 10 and then moving on to 20 will really help the children with problem solving so practising this at home would be really helpful!

Science

This week we have continued our learning linked to animals by looking at ourselves as Humans. We had a game of 'Simon Says' to see who knew the body parts. We talked about our elbow, wrist, ankle as well many others. Then the children labelled a picture matching the correct body part to the word.

Next week

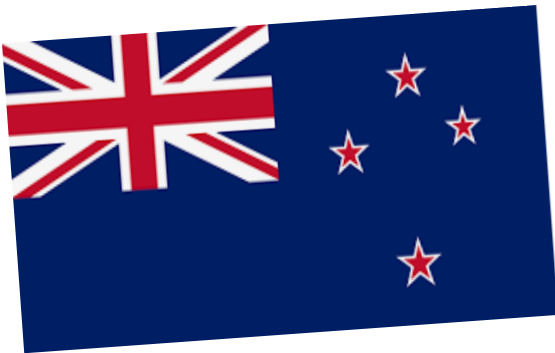
The children are going to be carrying on with learning about 'The Titanic' and they will be writing their fact files throughout the week. Mrs Cowell-Clark popped into our class this week and was amazed at how many facts the children knew and has asked to see our finished fact files so this has excited the children even more!

We are also going to be carrying on learning the alternative sounds to some of our letters in phonics and practising our handwriting as well as learning more about humans and their senses.



Star of the week: Logan for putting in so much effort with his work this week!

Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)



Maths

This week, the children have completed NFER tests as well as using their knowledge of the column method for addition to solve a range of word problems. They were able to present their answers using the column method, part whole model and a number sentence.

Next week, we will focus on subtraction.

English

This week, the children completed the NFER reading papers. They re-read the story of 'Charlie McButton lost power' and described his behaviour after losing power.

Next week, they will answer a range of questions from the story through a reading comprehension. They will also begin to plan a diary entry.

Science

The children were able to name a variety of plants and trees this week. They described how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants and planted a range of seeds and bulbs that we will observe over the next few weeks. They set up a comparative test to understand what plants need to germinate and grow.



We will keep a close eye on the seeds and bulbs over the coming days and weeks. Next week, the children will use their observations and ideas to suggest answers to questions by showing how we can tell that plants are living things.

Topic

This week, the children looked at how writing has developed and how early books were produced. They looked at the invention of the printing press and how this changed the way in which people were able to communicate and access information.

Next week is 'Forest Schools Week'. The children will learn about sustainability, conservation, animals that live in forests as well as a range of activities around nature. They will also learn about a range of artists. Let's hope the lovely weather continues!

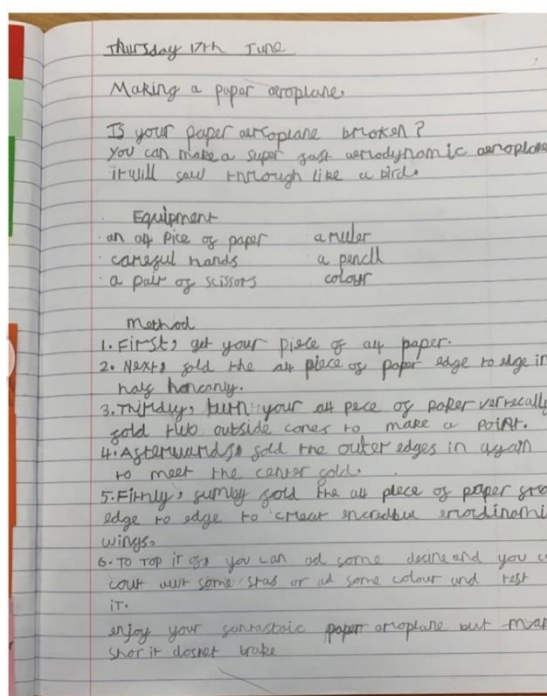
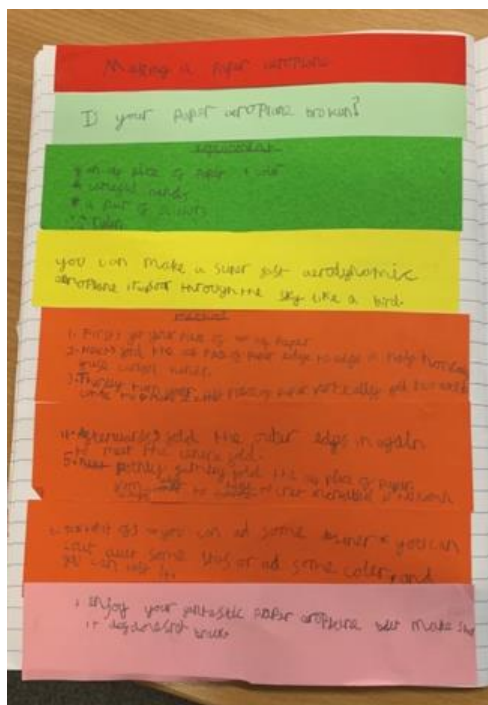


Star of the week: Elsie for not giving up! You have worked so hard to complete your assessments this week!



Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week Zagreb class have continued to work incredibly hard in their English. They have written fantastic instructions for flying paper aeroplanes. They really enjoyed piecing the different parts together using coloured strips of paper, then editing before writing up their final copies.



The children then followed their own instructions to make their own paper aeroplanes and loved going outside to test their designs out!

In Maths, the children have learnt how to measure different items using metres, centimetres and millimetres, as well as how to convert between them all.

We were all very proud to have taken part in the Young Voices Guinness world record attempt. The children sang beautifully and loved seeing themselves on the screen!

Next week, in English, the children will be recapping their knowledge on subordinate conjunctions and ensuring they use a range of them within their writing.

In Maths, we will be investigating capacity. Please keep an eye on their Seesaw accounts for pictures!

Also, next week is our whole school Forest Schools sessions. The children will be taking part in lots of environmental activities. Zagreb's session will be on Wednesday morning so please ensure your child is in PE kit. Also, if it is raining, please ensure they have spare clothes with them to change in to.



Star of the week: Heidi for her fantastic attitude to her learning especially her English. Well done Heidi!

Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)



This week in Year 4, the children have all worked so well, even with the tremendous heat! They have all work very hard and completed everything expected of them, so well-done Year 4!

In English this week, the children started their research and first draft of their tourism advert. The children have produced a brilliant first draft which is full of persuasive devices and lots of emotive language trying to persuade the reader to come to their chosen destination. It is all linked with our topic Amazing Americas. The children had a choice of countries and states to research, and put together facts and rich vocabulary to use in their advert. I can't wait to see the final result next week!

Monday 19th June

LO: Research a country in America in order to design an advert persuading people to visit.

Name: Canada

Famous buildings: CN Tower, Habitat 67, Canadian Museum of History

Weather: One of the coldest countries 18°C

Statistics: 32.1 million people visit every year. 250 active parks/victoria and Vancouver Island

Places to visit: Toronto, Montreal, Quebec City, Banff, Vancouver, Niagara Falls, Jasper National Park, Victoria and Vancouver Island

History: Canada was inhabited for millenia by indigenous peoples.

Interesting facts: The population is 37.59 million (2019). Canada has the longest coastline in the world. There are millions of lakes. The world's oldest rock can be found there. It is the largest country in western hemisphere.

Specific vocabulary: Amazing, Fed up, humid, spectacular, wonderful.

LO: Research a country in America in order to design an advert persuading people to visit.

Name: Mexico

Famous buildings: Mexico City Metropolitan Cathedral, Chapultepec Castle, Templo Mayor Museum

Weather: the best time to visit Mexico is during the dry season (between December and April)

Statistics: Mexico total population (in millions) 127.59m, Mexico population density (inhabitants per square km) 1.04%

Places to visit: Cancun, Beaches, Zona Hotelera, Nightlife, Mexico City, Aztec Ruins, Cabo San Lucas, Beaches + Golf, Rock formations, Puerto Vallarta, El Mirador, Roadwalk, Copper Canyon, Mexico City, Historic center, Chichén Itzá, Gladiators, Ixtepec and Zihuatanejo

History: In 1519 the Spanish came to Mexico and destroyed the Aztec empire and stole its gold.

Interesting facts: Mexico City is the oldest city in North America. They speak Spanish. They celebrate a day called the day of the dead.

Specific vocabulary: Smooth, landscape, hot, boring, boring, fun, first, best, perfect, interesting

LO: Research a country in America in order to design an advert persuading people to visit.

Name: Paradise Florida

Famous buildings: Ca'd'Zan, Bok Tower Gardens, Womwood walks, Coral castle

Weather: Sunny, Nice 26°C all year round

Statistics: 18 years open, 12, 33, 38

Places to visit: Miami, with its amazing beaches, Visit the Great animals, Zoo

History: There lakes are really really long and great for boating and fishing. Theme park, slides, rides and more, Water, Florida is the boating fishing capital in the world.

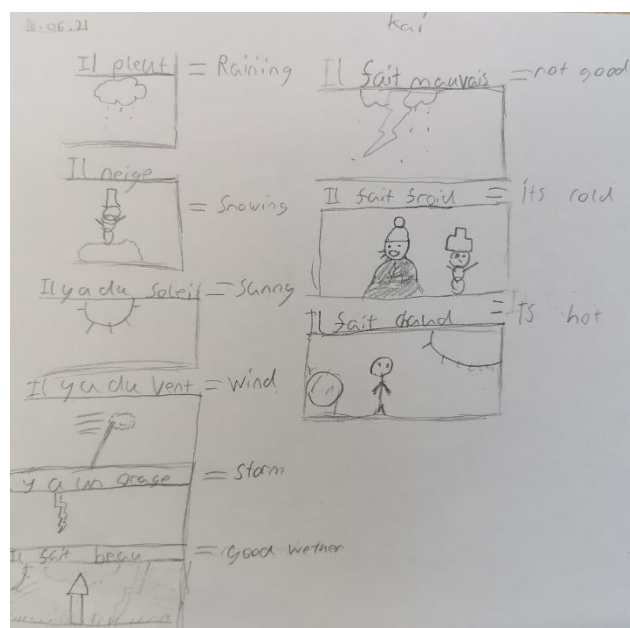
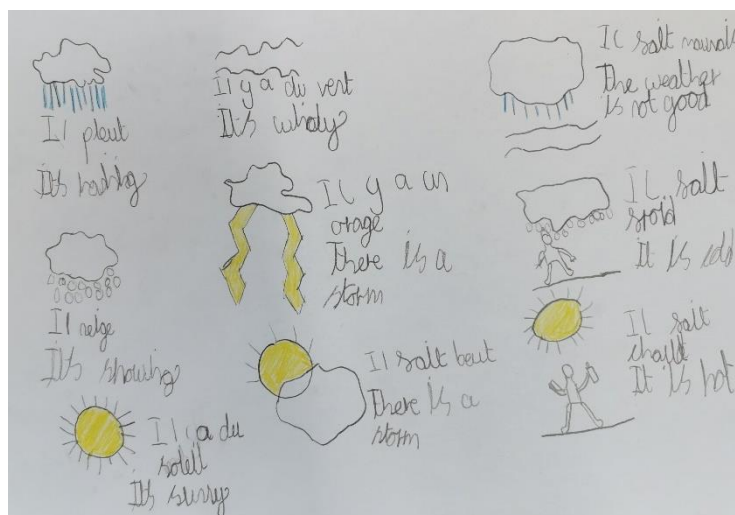
Buildings: Most of these buildings are big and world's best.

Specific vocabulary: Natural beauty, amazing, cheap, huge, big, Freeze, giant

In Maths the children have been using the Bar model to show an understanding of adding and subtracting fractions. They worked very well independently and in groups to answer questions correctly. They had to use their knowledge of fractions to answer reasoning and worded problems. The children were able to use the Bar model to justify their answers, and showed a deep understanding.

In Geography, the children used an 8-point compass to direct their way around North America, looking closely at the different states in the USA. They had to read the questions carefully and work out where they would end up if they travelled 4 states North East of a particular place, or work out which direction they would need to travel in to get from one state to another. They all showed great concentration!

The children also completed their first French lesson on 'Weather'. As a class we came up with ways to remember what each of the French words meant. They did really well with this task. They were able to identify the words in French and understood what they meant - great listening skills Year 4! Their next step is to be confident at speaking the new words they have learnt.



Next week:

In Maths, we will be looking at equivalent fractions, and how we represent these in a variety of ways. The children will also be looking at families of common equivalent fractions.

In English, the children will complete their tourism advert. This will be done on a 2-page spread in their books, with pictures and diagrams to entice the reader in.

In Geography, we will explore the physical geography of North and South America.

In French, the children will learn how to ask 'What is the weather like today?' and in Computing learn how to 'debug' a variety of programmes using Scratch.

Finally, in RE, we will look at the story of Rama and Sita.

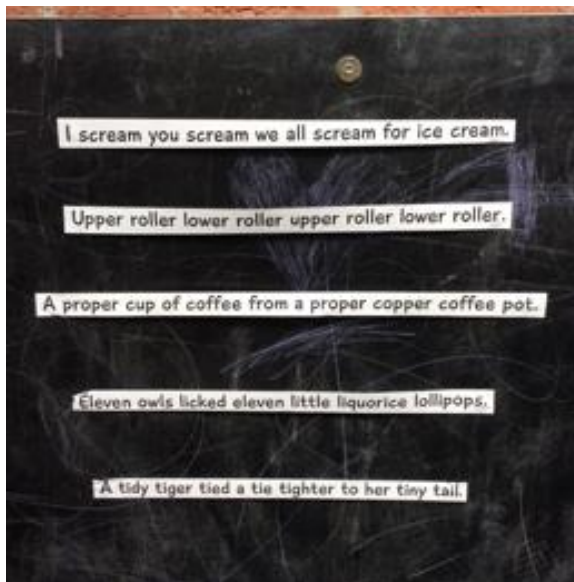


Star of the week: Saffron for being so independent and reliable. You have such a positive attitude to your work and you have produced a good piece of persuasive writing this week!

Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)

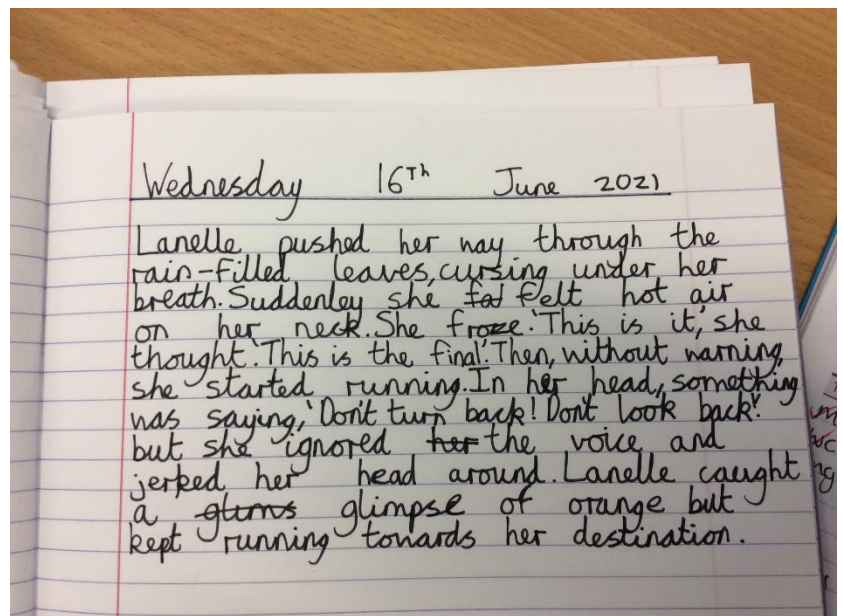


This week has been jam-packed with a variety of different activities. The week started with the pupils having a look at our 'mummified' tomato that has been sitting in 'natron' (bicarbonate of soda and salt) for several weeks. They observed how, although the tomato had become dry and wrinkly, it had still maintained its size and colour unlike the other tomato which has dried out, shrunk and covered in mould!



As part of our Raising Aspirations programme this week, pupils learned about what a skill is and how skills and qualities differ. A skill is something you learn whereas a quality is a character trait and part of your personality. The children thoroughly enjoyed practising the skills of communication and working under pressure by saying a tongue twister as many times as they could in a minute. Miss Mayhew was very impressed with how many were achieved!

Our guided reading text for this week has been an adventure and survival story titled 'Hunted'. Pupils practised their retrieval, inference, explanation and vocabulary skills before attempting to write the next paragraph of this gripping narrative.





In Maths, to consolidate their work in converting units of measure, their continuous provision activity was to throw a beanbag in the playground and measure how far it had travelled in both m and cm. It was great to see the engagement in this practical Maths activity outdoors.

Finally, on Tuesday afternoon, the pupils participated in the World Record Breaking attempt for the Young Voices concert.



Next week, pupils will be coming off timetable for part of the week to participate in some Forest Schools activities using the school grounds. In Maths, they will be learning about reflection and translation of shapes. In English, they will continue their explanation texts about the water cycle. As part of our Clarborough Curriculum, they will learn about the key features of a river system.



Star of the week: Jack for his amazing speed at reciting tongue-twisters!

Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)



This week, we entered the world of all things mythical.

In English, we began to write our non-chronological texts about that most mysterious and elusive of creatures - the dragon. In their reports, the children had to write detailed paragraphs about their dragon's diet, behaviour, appearance, special abilities and weaknesses. The variety of ideas was amazing! We had tiny little dragons that, while normally placid, would swarm like piranhas when provoked. We had 600m tall dragons that blotted out the sun and destroyed the landscape whenever they decided to move, to friendly and easily domesticated dragons that would let humans ride them.

In Maths, while exploring the world of angles, we used our understanding of how to use a protractor to plot and estimate the correct angle that we needed to shoot in order to take out alien invaders.

In PSHE, we began our 'My body, My choice' topic and looked at the terms 'choice' 'consent' and 'control' and understood what these words mean to them and their lives.

Next week is a special week as we will be having a Forest Schools week and the children will be having lots of activities based around outdoor learning, forestry, sustainability and forest eco systems. They will end the week with a Forest School session with myself and Mrs Holmes.

As the saying goes: *'Nature is a tool to get children to experience not just the wider world but themselves'*



Star of the week: Laurie for his confident and systematic approach across all subjects!

Dates for your Diary....

21st- 25th June – Forest School week

Friday 2nd July – Sports Day

Monday 5th July – School Reports handed out

Friday 16th July – Sports Day (Back up)

Friday 23rd July – Last day of Term

Thursday 2nd September – Children return back to school

Out of School Achievements



A big well done to William for gaining his Learn to Swim 2 Award and 5 metres certificate – Great job William!

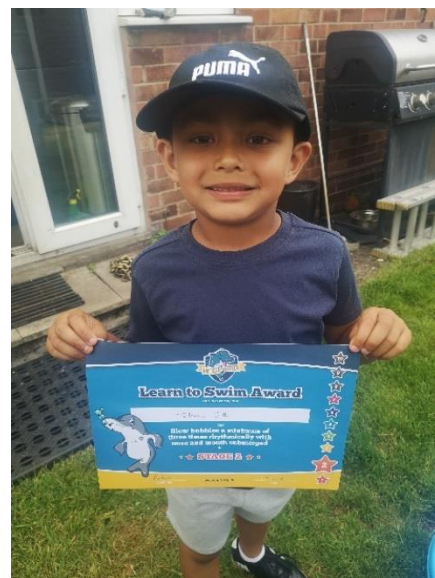
Congratulations to Henry who was able to tread water for 30 seconds and received his certificate this week – Well done Henry!





A big well done to Annabelle who gained her Level 8 Proficiency Award in Gymnastics this week – Well done Annabelle!

A huge well done to Tobias who gained his Stage 2 Learn to Swim Award this week – Well done Tobias!



A big well done to Anya who gained her Learn to Swim Level 5 Certificate this week – Great work Anya!

A huge well done to Jacob for receiving Star Player for Retford United Junior this week – Great work Jacob!



Local Community News



SUMMER FOOTBALL @ RETFORD UNITED JUNIORS

F.A.Q'S

WHO IS IT FOR?

AS A COMMUNITY CLUB, OUR SUMMER FOOTBALL COACHING SESSIONS ARE OPEN TO CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES FROM AGES 4-11 (RECEPTION TO YEAR 6).

WHETHER YOUR CHILD'S FIRST INVOLVEMENT IN FOOTBALL, OR THEY'RE A TOP PLAYER FOR A LOCAL TEAM, WE CAN PROMISE THEM A FANTASTIC 4 WEEKS. WE ALSO LOOK TO INVITE PLAYERS TO TEAM TRIALS WHERE APPROPRIATE.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

THE COST OF THE 4 SESSIONS IS JUST £20 (£5 PER SESSION) WITH A 10% DISCOUNT AVAILABLE FOR ATTENDING ALL SESSIONS. ALL FUNDS RAISED ARE INVESTED BACK INTO OUR CLUB AND THE CHILDREN IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY. YOU DON'T NEED TO BOOK, JUST TURN UP AND PLAY.

WHERE IS IT?

THE SESSIONS WILL BE HELD AT OAKLANDS PLAYING FIELDS, CALEDONIAN ROAD, RETFORD.



WWW.RETFORDUNITEDJUNIORS.CO.UK

Clarborough and Welham IT Group are resuming their IT classes on Tuesday 22nd June – to book a place contact Greg on 01777 700918 or email: clarboroughwelham@gmail.com



Get to grips with your Windows PC or laptop!

Explore the wide range of open source applications – **all of which are free** and offer powerful alternatives to the likes of Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop

as well as others that you probably haven't even thought of! **We provide them free to class members.**

Classes resume (Boris providing!) w/c 21st June in Clarborough Village Hall on either Tuesday afternoons (13:30-15:00) or Wednesday mornings (10:00-11:30) at just £20 for five weeks of either days.



To book your place contact Greg on: 01777 700 918 or email: clarboroughwelham@gmail.com

Much more can also be found on Clarborough & Welham community website (www.clarborough-welham.org.uk) – just go to the *Local Groups* page and then *IT Group*. That section includes sample learning resources as well as planned class dates through to July 2022.

North Wheatley With Leverton Cricket Club (NWLCC) are very pleased to announce that Junior Cricket will be taking place this season, in line with the ECB junior program called DYNAMOS.

This is for all 8 - 12 year olds BUT we can be flexible, one year either side, if the older child has not played before and as long as the parent of a 7 year old gives additional consent for their child to participate.

It is an 8 week program on a Sunday morning from 10am - 11am.

Cost is £40.00 and for that you will get the following:

- 8 weeks of cricket
- A personalised Dynamos playing shirt by New Balance with name and number
- Access to their program on a digital app
- Exclusive access to Topps Cricket Attax cards



NWLCC Dynamos is starting on Sunday 27th June until Sunday 8th August 2021.

Registration for children is simple and can be completed using the following link:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/Course/94346391-46cd-4faf-8a2d-0f02b21a17c3>

If you have any questions then please feel free to contact James Nixon on 07557 851870.



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

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 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 [different ways](#) 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.