



*Be the best you can be!*

## **Weekly Newsletter**

W/e 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a fantastic start to the new 2022 term! I am very proud of how quickly the children have settled in to their routines again.

Please remember to keep sending your child in to school with clothes to keep them warm inside and outside. They should all have jumpers so they don't get chilly in class with the windows open.

As I am sure you are aware, there are changes within Government guidance linked to isolation and testing. Once this has been clarified in terms of primary schools, I will update you about how the changes will affect us here.

Finally, a reminder to those of you who drop off and collect your child from the main school entrance: please ensure that drive entrances are left clear for local residents to access their own properties and cars are not parked on footpaths so residents can walk safely. There is ample parking available behind the village hall that can be used and your child can enter school at the field entrance.

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)

## National Online Safety

Every week, National Online Safety (NOS) produce informative posters highlighting a specific online item. This week they have mentioned 'Fortnite Chapter 3'.

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.



## Recycling

We are continuing to recycle old pens, crisp packets, cans and old batteries in school. Please send any recycling into school with your child. **We are now also recycling used/empty printer ink cartridges!**

## 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.



## We're on Facebook and Instagram!

We are on Facebook and Instagram! Search for 'Clarbrough 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.



## Nursery and 30hrs (Frida Kahlo)

It is FANTASTIC to be back with our wonderful children who have all settled back into the routine so well and as if they have not been away!

We have 8 children starting Nursery this term and the classroom is buzzing with visitors who have been warmly welcomed. To see our 3- and 4-year olds supporting the new arrivals is so touching.

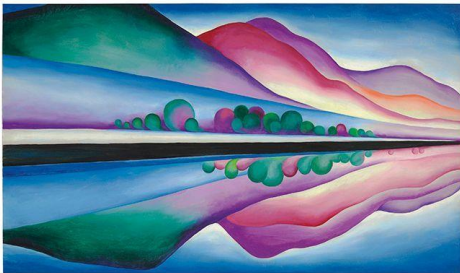
This term, we are thinking about animals. This week and next week we are focusing on pets. The role play area has some furry inhabitants!

This is also a perfect time to learn about freezing and melting and there are lots of hands-on explorations taking place.

See if your children can explain what they have been learning about!



## Reception (Georgia O'Keeffe)



It has been wonderful to have the children back this week - we are so proud of how well they have settled and how hard they are working already!

Next week, we will be continuing to learn about animals that live in cold places, identifying the Arctic and Antarctic on the globe and

talking about the different ways animals have adapted to survive in the cold.



In Maths, we will be looking at zero, and comparing numbers to 5, whilst in Phonics we will begin learning the Phase 3 phonemes and tricky words.

## Year 1 (Joan Miro)



It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the Christmas Holiday. They have shown excitement about our new topic and are very eager to learn!

Next week's learning:

### Maths

In Maths, the children will be introduced to weight and volume. They will measure various objects and identify which one is lighter and heavier and create sentences to compare objects. They will estimate and measure various objects and describe their results by completing the stem sentence and balance scales by using knowledge of operations to calculate the number of cubes needed on each side.







## English

In English, the children will make predictions about what they think will happen in our new text 'The Queen's Hat' by Steve Antony. They will imagine the Queen is on her way to meet them and write questions they would ask her. Using a story map, they will also recall the places that the hat flies over and learn more about these famous London Landmarks.

## Science

In Science, the children will begin learning about plants. They will identify and describe the simple structure of a variety of common flowering plants by planting a bean. They will ask simple questions and recognise these can be answered in different ways in the context of considering what plants need to grow.



## Topic

The children have already begun learning about our new topic 'Queen Elizabeth II' and have shown a thirst to learn much more! Next week, they will find out more about Queen Elizabeth and her role as monarch.

## Year 2 (L.S. Lowry)



It has been lovely to welcome the children back this week and if we haven't seen you in person to say it; "Happy New Year to you all!"

We are beginning many new areas of learning this week and next. We have already introduced our new topic to the children. Many of the children did not recognise this significant person from the past but had some good ideas as to why he could be famous.

When they were told his name a few said they recognised it but still weren't sure why he was famous. I wonder if you know who he is.....?

Over the coming weeks we will be looking into his life a little more in detail and the adventures that he took.



In Art and Design, the children have been designing a teddy which they are going to make. Over the coming weeks the children will look at the skills needed to join different materials and explore how to make their own teddy.

Next week, we are going to be learning about multiplication, what this means and how we solve multiplication problems. We will also then be looking at division following this. The children will also be starting to learn about fractions. They will look at finding equal parts of shapes and quantities and then move on to finding half of a shape and number.

In English, we will look at a new text 'The Great Explorer'. First, we will be focusing on predicting what might happen in the story before we read part of it. We will also be focusing on using nouns and adjectives within sentences.

In Rainbow Grammar the children will continue learning to use adjectives and select suitable adjectives to describe animals.

Our new Science topic is 'animals', including humans. Next week, the children will be learning about the life cycles of humans and animals.

### Year 3 (William Morris)

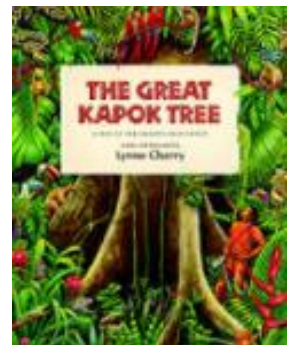


It has been so lovely to welcome back the children in Year 3!

Next week's learning will include:

In Maths, we will introduce the children to multiplication and division by repeated addition and grouping. They will also look at problem solving using money.

In English, the children will be making predictions and using their inference and dictionary skills alongside the new class book 'The Great Kapok Tree'. The children will be using precise nouns in their writing for Grammar.



In Topic, during the first lesson of our new topic 'Rainforests' the children will be taking part in a variety of activities to immerse them into the new topic.

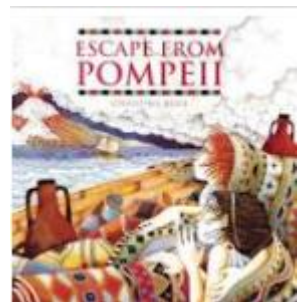
In Science, we will be looking at animals including humans and covering survival and staying healthy.

### Year 4 (Salvador Dali)



Maths: The children will be learning how to use written methods for multiplication and they will begin to look at the 11- and 12- times tables.

English: Our new book this half term is based on our Romans topic, called 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. The children will be using their senses to write setting descriptions and using their Rainbow Grammar knowledge of using adjectives to describe smells.



Topic: This term our topic is focusing on The Romans and their invasion of Britain. This week, the children were thinking about what they would like to find out about our new topic and where the Romans originated from. Next week, they will be focusing on how the Roman army helped with expanding the Roman Empire.

Science: Dali class absolutely love their Science lessons! This half term, they will be exploring 'sound' and will begin by describing and explaining sources of sound.

French: The children will be learning how to recognise nouns for family members and using 'Il and Elle s'appelle' to introduce the names of their family members.

In Computing, the children will be learning how to programme using Scratch. In RE they will be considering why some people go on pilgrimages and in PSHE we will be looking at living within the wider world and recognising how our lives are similar or different to others around the globe.

## Year 5 (Banksy)



Our new class topic is 'Marvellous Mountains' and we started this week off learning what a mountain is, defining some key vocabulary in relation to mountains and located the 'Seven Summits' of the world.

As we return to school, we are having a focus on behaviour and expectations and reminding ourselves how to be the best we can be.



Next week in Maths, the children will be learning about converting units of measure. In English, they will use the text 'First to the Top' to learn and write about the adventures of Sir Edmund Hilary and Mount Everest.

In Geography, the children will learn how mountains are formed and name different types of mountains. Design & Technology will focus on different types of burgers and burger patties. Our Music Unit is called 'Make You Feel My Love' and in RE, children will learn about religion and the individual.

As you know, some children will be going swimming on a Tuesday and those who aren't will be learning techniques in basketball, netball and orienteering.



## Year 6 (Lucian Freud)

What a fantastic start to the Spring term we have had! The children have come back to Year 6 with great enthusiasm and seem ready for the challenges ahead.

Next week, we will be starting to write some Stone Age persuasive adverts where we try to sell some dilapidated dwellings to unwary buyers.

In Maths, we will be focusing on converting improper and mixed number fractions.

In Topic next week we will be trying to decide if we think we could have survived in the Stone Age and in RE and PSHE we will be looking at our place within the community both locally and globally.

We can't wait to share what we get up to with you!

*And remember that tomorrow is a page of a book that has 365 pages. Write a good one!*



## Dates for your Diary....

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Last day of term

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Children return back to school

## Out of School Achievements

A big well done to Lola-Rose who received her Level 1 Learn to Swim Certificate this week – Great work Lola-Rose!



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 or Mrs Woods on [office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)