



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

W/e 18th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another fantastic week of learning, discovery and fun comes to a close and #Team Clarborough continue to be amazing!

As you can see from this jam-packed newsletter, the children are back into their learning while managing the routines we have in place to keep their bubbles separate. Your support in getting your children to and from school at the right time and to the right entrance is supporting the children to get into school and get learning every day so we thank you for that.

Thank you to those of you who have made your appointment for next week's parental consultations which are taking place via telephone. Appointments are still available via Parentmail to speak to your child's teacher about their return to school and assessments, so please make a booking if you haven't already done so.

Finally, I want to let you know that, sadly, Mr Byrom will be leaving our school at the end of December. He is embarking on an exciting new adventure as a swimming coach in his own company called Speedy Sharks. Mr Byrom has been such an amazing member of our team for the last five years, making a huge impact in many ways. I am so sad to see him leave but I am sure you will join with me to wish him every success with his new business!

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

Permissions and Data Capture Forms

Thank you to those who have completed and returned their forms. For those who have not yet returned their forms, please return your paper Data Capture forms back to your teachers and complete your Parentmail permissions form as soon as possible.



House T-Shirts

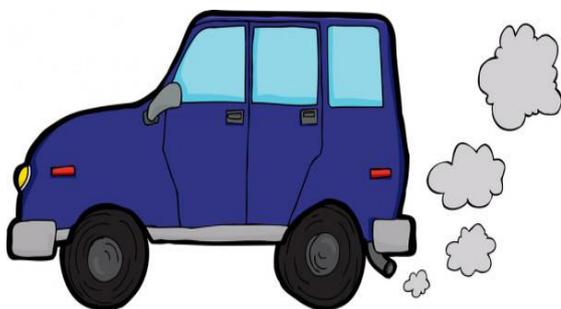


Next week, we will be sending out an order form for house t-shirts, if you require one. We have been in touch with the suppliers and there is a delay in the production and delivery of the t-shirts so we are hoping to receive them after half term. The price of the t-shirt has increased slightly and will now be £11.00 each instead of £10.00 due to a price increase from the suppliers.

You do not need to specify which colour house t-shirt you need, we have a list of your children in each house. You will just need to order the correct size and then pay for it via Parentmail, cash will not be accepted. If you ordered one at the beginning of term or during the summer holidays, your t-shirt order will be automatically recorded but you will just need to tick which size you require on the order form. If your child is in Year 1 or new to the school, your child will automatically get a t-shirt free of charge. Children in Nursery and Reception do not need house t-shirts.

Roadworks

Some of you may have noticed that there is a sign indicating that the road to the front entrance to the school is to be closed on Friday, 2nd October. Mrs Cowell-Clark has spoken with the Council and they have informed us that the works will be carried out during school hours and so the road will remain open for drop-off and pick-up times at the main gate. Parents of Nursery children who leave at 12pm, will collect their children from the village hall gate on that day instead of the main gate.



Car Engines

We politely ask that while you are waiting to drop-off and pick-up your children, you turn your engines off to reduce exhaust emissions. This obviously reduces air pollution but also makes it more pleasant for those standing near the vehicles waiting to enter and leave school.

School Garden

We have now put the vegetable beds to bed for the Winter! We have chopped everything back and tidied up in the school garden. We wanted to say a huge thank you for all your donations towards our amazing new school garden – we have seen such a transformation over the last few months and it really helped keep the children busy during lockdown! A special mention goes to Mrs Russell, Lucy from the Spar shop, Jewsons, Jackie Tofts and Mr James for their donations and labour.





More fruit and vegetables have been harvested from the school garden this week and we will be popping some on a table at the main gate and village hall gate again for you to take.

Any donations welcome!



Music lessons with a difference!

COVID-19 may mean that we aren't welcoming visitors to school at the moment, but it won't stop us from having our music lessons! This week saw children in Years 3 to 6 resuming their individual music lessons. With children learning how to play the guitar, keyboard, flute and clarinet virtually!



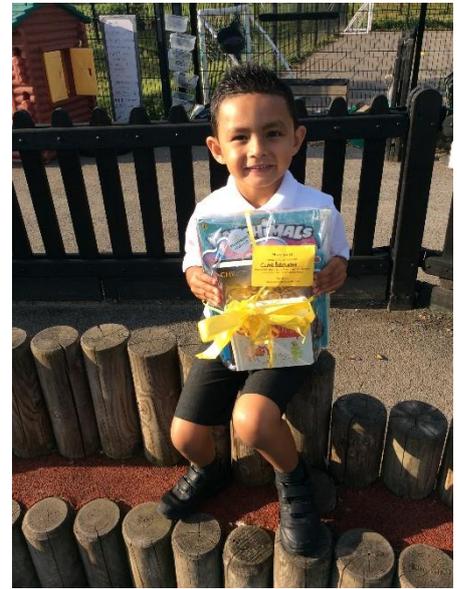
The Nottinghamshire County Council INSPIRE music teachers were really pleased to welcome back our students via a secure online platform and it was lovely to hear music being played in our school hall again!



If you have a child in Year 3 to 6 who would like to learn how to play any of these instruments during school time, then please get in touch with Mrs Cooper to find out more: rcooper@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Thank you!

A huge thank you to Tobias and his mum who won some beautiful books as a prize from Morrisons and decided to donate them to our school - The children are going to love reading them Tobias!



School Census Day – A Special Lunch!



Early next week if you have a child in either Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will be bringing home an invitation to join us for a special meal on Thursday 1st October. All other year groups are welcome to take part too.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals as part of the Government initiative launched in 2014. Schools are given money per child to fund this, only if each child has a school meal on the 1st October. If your child doesn't have a meal on that day it will mean approximately £450 of missed funding for each child, this could mean that school doesn't receive £31,000!

The meal that we will be serving is hotdogs, chips and beans. The vegetarian option will be Quorn hotdog. With a pudding of ice cream with sauce and sprinkles!

Bookings must be made via the ParentMail app.

Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)

Another week of new starters and we are delighted with how they are settling in and learning our routines. This week we have been learning all about the importance of sleep and the children have even made some name cards for their bedroom doors.





Next week we are starting to look at the vehicles we see on the way to school as a lot of the children are very interested in cars, diggers, tractors, lorries etc.

To tie in with this learning, on WEDNESDAYS only, all the Nursery children can come to school with any wheeled item they wish - it could be a toy (named please!) a bike, pram or the family tractor!

Also this week the 30hours children have been practising lining up and walking (in their line) towards the dinner hall. In the hall, they have tried new foods and sat beautifully whilst they tucked in to their school meals. They have all enjoyed this new school experience - well done everyone!



Nursery Stars of the week:

Lola-Rose for being so kind to the new children

Ruby for trying her very best in the hall to eat her lunch and use her knife and fork properly too

Reception Bubble Group (Suva)

This week in Reception the children have been 'measuring their brains' and Mrs Turton and Miss Orwin are very proud of them!

The children have completed their first page of writing in their first ever writing book. Everyone tried really hard to hold their pencil correctly and to listen for sounds!



The children have also made 'hug monsters' and started to make pictures of the animals and plants that live and grow in Suva, our class city.



Reception Star of the week: Eryne for being so happy and for trying so hard with all of her work

Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)



We have been learning about The Three Little Pigs and re-telling the story using actions. The children have created story maps to help them re-tell the story.

We have begun to learn about Florence Nightingale through our topic work. The children now know who she is and why she is famous as well as another name that she became known by.

Year 1 have also been continuing with learning more phonemes from Phase 3 phonics as well as learning to read some high frequency words on sight.

Keep up the good work Year 1!





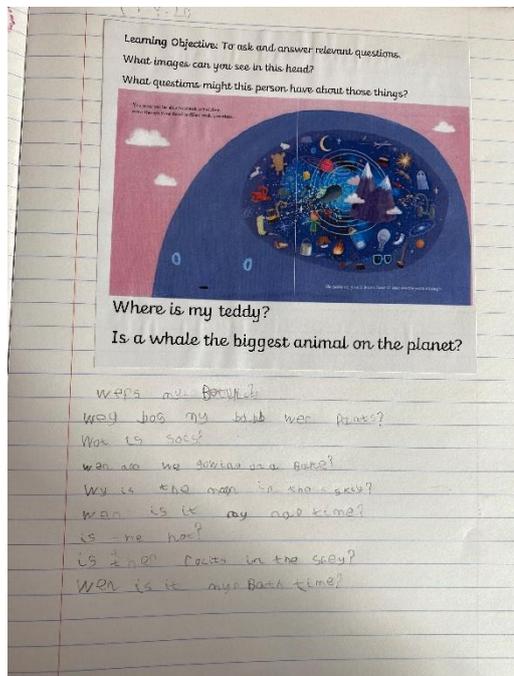
Year 1 Star of the week: Ashton for making good choices this week and fantastic behaviour!

Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)

This week, the children have continued to read 'Here We Are' and have found out that Oliver Jeffers wrote this book for his son, in the first 2 months of his son's life.



We had some great discussions about everybody being different but equal and drew a representation of ourselves to create our own illustrations.



When looking at the illustration of inside his son's head, we wrote our own questions about the baby's thoughts.

They have enjoyed finding out about Mary Seacole and why she is remembered today. The children then created their own timeline with images and added their own sentences about her life.

In Science, the children went for a walk around the playground and talked about what materials things were made from. They recorded their observations in a table. They found that we have lots of toys made from plastic!

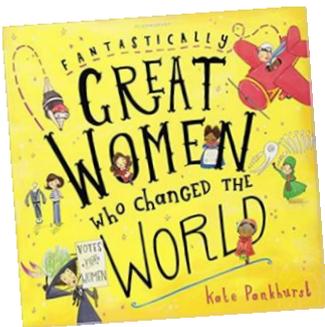
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Learning Objective: To identify and group the uses of everyday materials. To record my observations. Keep a record of the uses of everyday materials by filling the table with your findings.

Material	Use
wood 	fence 
metal	fence 
glass	light 
rubber	ball 
brick	house 
cotton	



On Thursday afternoon, the children found out about the artist 'Piet Mondrian' and had a go at creating their own piece of art in a similar style, using the primary colours: yellow, red and blue.



Next week the children will conclude their learning using 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers and begin reading 'Great women who changed the world' by Kate Pankhurst.

They will identify features of an informative text and find information using a contents and index page.

In Maths, they will continue to find missing numbers in addition sentences and compare numbers and objects.

The artist they will look at next week is 'Mark Rothko' as they develop a wide range of art and design techniques using colour, pattern, texture and line in the context of making a painting from secondary and tertiary colours.

All children have been given spellings to learn and they will be tested every Wednesday. This will continue to be in their planner so you can see how they have done. I have noticed a huge effort from the children reading at home this week - Thank you for all your support!

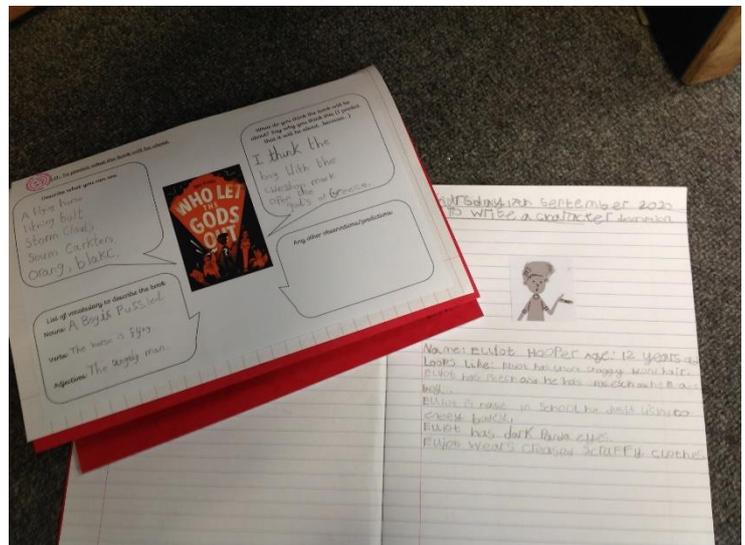


Year 2 Star of the week: Rowan for having a positive attitude towards his learning and being focused in every lesson!

Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week Zagreb class have really enjoyed getting stuck into their learning. In Maths they have learnt how to partition two and three digit numbers and can recognise hundreds, tens and ones.

In English, the children have enjoyed finding out about Elliot (the main character in our class book) and have spent time writing some fantastic character descriptions.



Following our Clarborough curriculum, Zagreb class have enjoyed researching our new topic of Ancient Greece. They learnt about BC and AD and visited the school timeline to see what era Ancient Greece was in. They also used atlases to find where Greece is located in Europe and discovered that it is very hilly!



Next week, following our Clarborough curriculum, Zagreb class will be exploring what impacted on the lives of the Ancient Greeks.

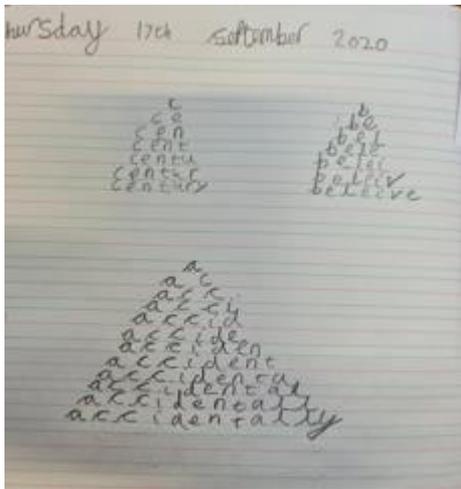
In English, they will be learning about apostrophes for contractions as well as writing exciting setting descriptions linked to our class book.

In Maths, they will be solving number problems using three digit numbers (HTO).

 **Year 3 Star of the week: Lola for working independently!**

Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)

This week, Year 4 have enjoyed learning about animals, their habitats and life processes. They have also been learning about internet research and how to stay safe online. This led to them to complete their own creepy crawly fact hunt using safe internet searches online.

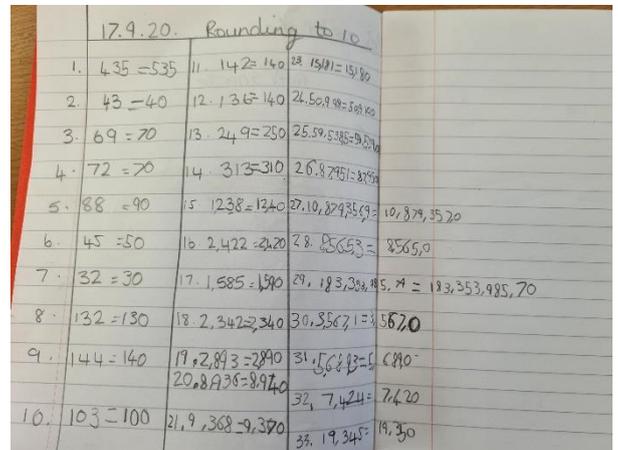


The children have been learning and practising some different spelling techniques to help them learn their weekly spellings.

Next week, they will be classifying living things into different groups and learning about ABBA in music - even listening to some of their greatest songs!



Year 4 Star of the week: Georgie for pushing herself in Maths and rounding to the nearest 10!



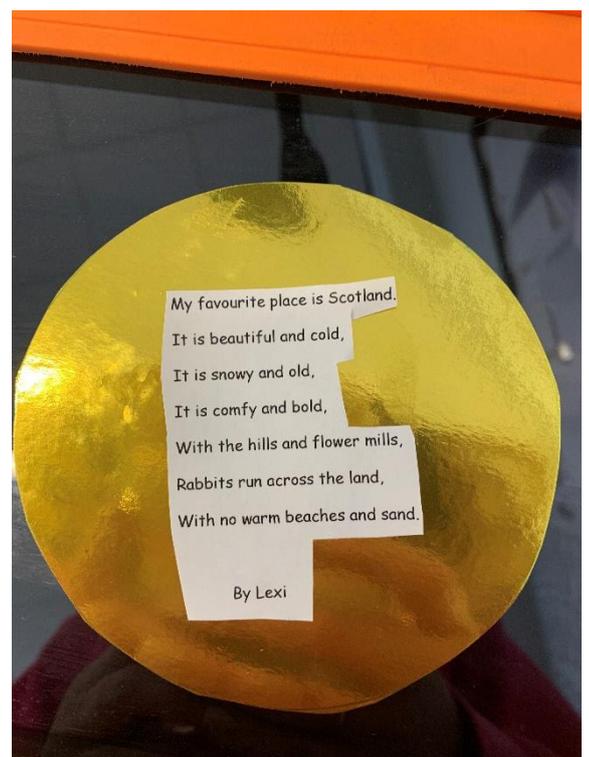
Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)

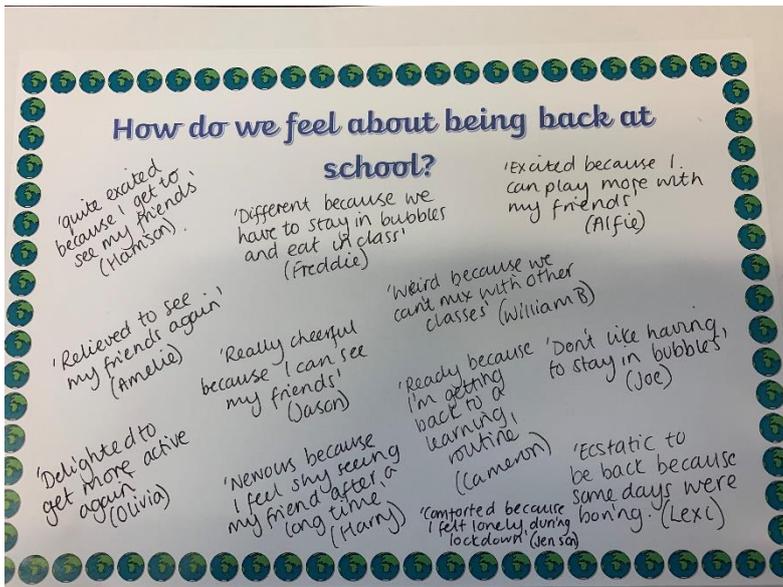
Year 5 have worked extremely hard this week in all areas of their learning and are showing how to 'be the best they can be!'

In Maths they have remembered what they know about place value in numbers and rounding to 10, 100, 1,000 and 10,000.

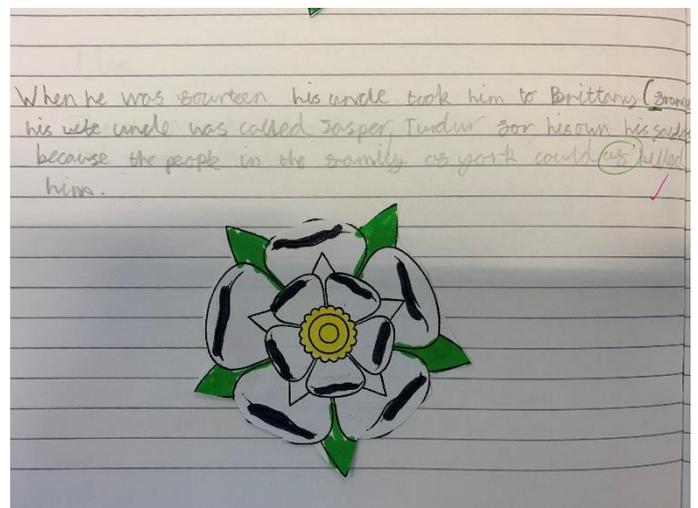
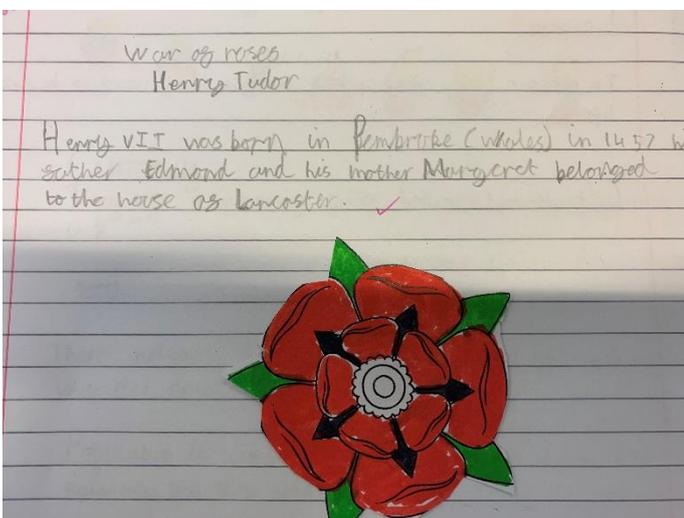


In English, they have used the book, 'Here We Are' to reflect on the current situation in our world and have written some beautiful poems about their favourite places.





They have also begun learning about the Tudors and now know that Henry VII was the first Tudor King, that the Battle of Bosworth ended the War of the Roses and have begun to learn about the infamous King Henry VIII!



Next week, they will continue to secure their understanding of rounding numbers in Maths together with comparing and ordering numbers to 100,000. In English, they will continue to explore 'Here We Are' and produce an audio documentary on Seesaw. They will also learn more about the Tudor's: particularly, Henry VIII's children, Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I.



Year 5 Star of the week: Harrison for his enthusiastic contribution to learning!

Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)

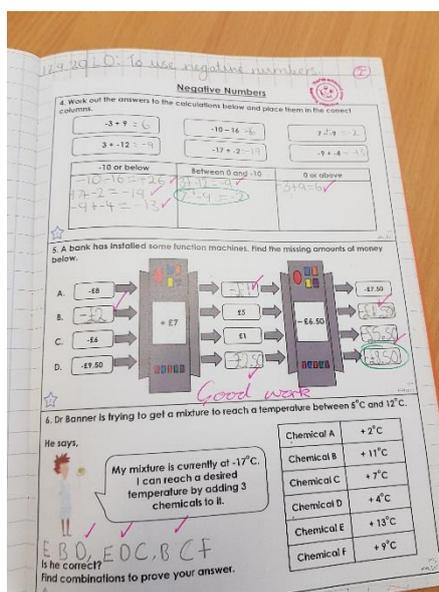
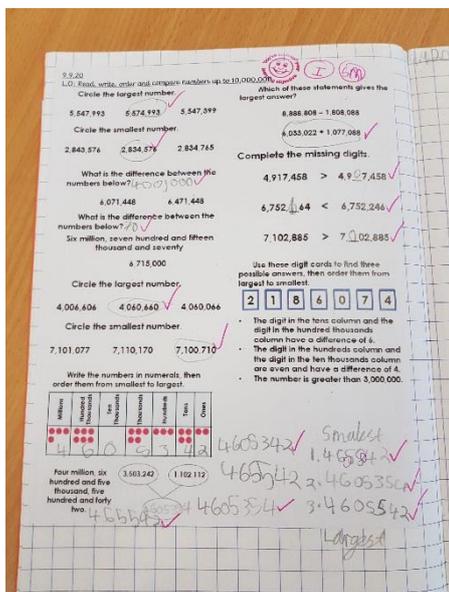
English - The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse

This week Year 6 concluded their work on the book by writing their own idioms. They will all be collected in and a book will be made to have in the classroom for anyone to go and have a look at if they are ever feeling down or anxious.

Next week our focus will move onto 'The Explorer', where we will deepen our understanding of the SPaG elements.



Maths - Place Value



Year 6 finished their block on place value this week. For the next few weeks they will be focusing on consolidating their knowledge of the 4 operations and then looking to apply this to real life problems.

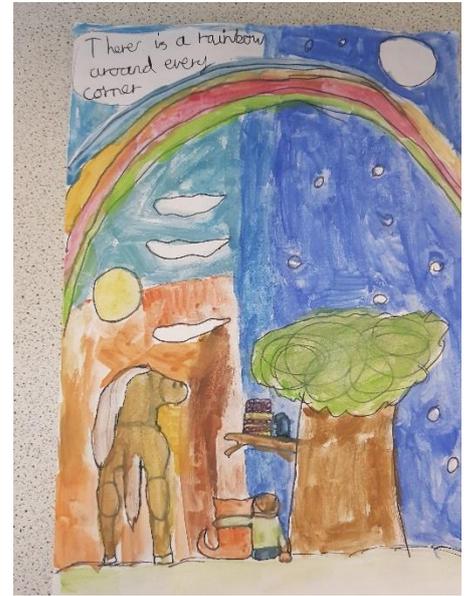
Science – Electricity

We looked at changing different concepts in the circuits. What might happen if we added more bulbs, batteries or motors? Next week, we will explore series and parallel circuits as well as investigating which materials are conductors and which are insulators.



Art - Charlie Mackesy

To accompany their idioms this week, Year 6 completed some fantastic art work in the style of Charlie Mackesy. I think you will agree they have really taken on his style and they look brilliant!



Year 6 Star of the week: Rosie - for having such a positive attitude to her learning!

Out of School Achievements



A huge well done to Henry on completing his Level 3 Swimming Award!
Great work Henry!

If you have any out of school achievements you would like to share with us to put in the newsletter, please forward your photos to office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk with a brief description of the award/achievement.

School Dates for your Diaries.....

- 21st-25th September – Parental Consultations
- 25th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning
- 29th September – School Photos
- 15th October – Harvest Festival (Details to follow)
- 16th October – Last day of term
- 19th – 30th October – Half Term
- 2nd November – Children return back to school



Please can children in Years 1-6 come to school on Mondays and Fridays in their PE kits and trainers.

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 and Wraparound please email Mrs Bennet on sbennett@clarborough.notts.sch.uk If you have any questions or queries regarding 30hours and lunches please email Mrs Hardie on 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/>