

# Be the best you can be!

# Weekly Newsletter W/e 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure that you are now aware our Nursery and Reception pupils are currently isolating because of a confirmed case of COVID-19. Please remember that if your child is accessing their learning remotely via Seesaw, they can borrow a laptop from school. Please get in touch with the office and we will get one to you.

As a school community, we have been fortunate that the exposure to the virus has been limited. As you know, cases locally are rising so please ensure that you continue to follow our guidance if your child is unwell.

If your child displays any of the following symptoms:

- a new and continuous cough
- a high temperature
- loss of taste or smell

you should get a PCR test booked for your child. Any of these symptoms displayed at school will result in a phone call home for you to collect your child and get them tested.

There is also further information in this week's newsletter about a pop-up vaccination centre in Retford over the weekend. I would urge all of you who have not yet received your first vaccine to access this.

I know that some of you may be concerned about the current situation but please remember to give me a call if you want to chat things through or if you have any questions.

Thank you, Mrs Cowell-Clark

#### **Contacting us**

Please remember the email address for support with well-being or behaviour concerns is: <u>parentalsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk</u>

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: <a href="https://www.itsupport.com">itsupport@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 'Sports Betting'.

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 <u>should not</u> 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 <u>must stay at home for 48 hours after their last</u> <u>episode of sickness</u>. They cannot come back to school after just one day.

# Forest Schools Week – 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> June

This week, Years 1 to 6 enjoyed a fantastic week packed full of outdoor fun activities!







The children in Key Stage One made playdough faces and decorated them with paints. They foraged through the field to find items to create their faces.

The children in Key Stage Two created clay forest faces to help make the trees come alive! All the children learnt how to stay safe when using different tools that help us around the forest. They learnt how to safely hold and use peelers, knives and even a bow saw!

The children in Key Stage One and Lower Key Stage Two, also learnt how to whittle sticks using peelers to make their very own magic wands - There were a few magic spells cast! These doubled up as toasting sticks for the fire.





Children in Upper Key Stage Two made dream catchers.







Everyone also learnt how to stay safe around a camp fire, using safe kneeling techniques together with safe entry and exit routes.

The children really enjoyed toasting their marshmallows, sharing flat breads and having hot chocolate.

A huge 'thank you' to Mr Potter and Mrs Holmes for organising and running the fantastic activities – it looks like it was a great hit with all the children!

#### **New Class Teachers for September**

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

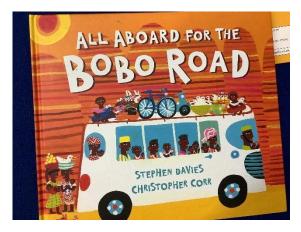
Nursery: Mrs Dean, Miss Holden and Mrs Gulsever

- 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)



As part of our work on journeys this week, we have been thinking about journeys in Africa using the book 'All Aboard for the Bobo Road'.



The children then had fun making their own African bus outside and also enjoyed making African necklaces.







We reviewed our learning about symmetry and were really pleased that lots of children were able to remember what it meant and created a symmetrical necklace.

Next week we will be looking at journeys by air.

Star of the week: Maggie for going back to the craft table to improve the necklace she had already made!

## **Reception Bubble Group (Suva)**



This week in Suva class we have been learning all about London and discussed the different landmarks we would see.





We have learnt about the properties of a rectangle, square and triangle using the famous landmark 'Big Ben'.



Miss Orwin was also extremely proud of all the children for placing the numbers correctly on the clock!

Throughout the week the children have been practising the sound 'j' and they were all very excited to make their own jam sandwiches for their snack.

Star of the week: Lorelai for always trying her best in everything she does!

#### Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)



#### <u>Literacy</u>

In Literacy this week, we have begun writing our fact files. The children know so much about 'The Titanic' now - as I'm sure many of you are aware because I know they come home talking about it too. We have used this knowledge to complete our plan of our fact file and we have written the introduction and the first section.

Next week, we will continue to complete the different sections of our fact file and write our conclusion.

#### <u>Maths</u>

We have been looking at place value in Maths this week. The children have been looking at how numbers are made of tens and ones and they have been exploring with different resources to find and show how many tens and ones a number has.

We are going to be moving forward with this learning next week to embed what we have learnt and solve problems linked to it.

#### <u>Science</u>

In Science this week we have been learning about our senses and the body parts we use for the different senses. The children really enjoyed going on a scavenger hunt around school and using their senses to find different items.

Next week in Science, we are going to begin looking at some animal life cycles and understand how animals grow and how they can change so much as they grow.



Star of the week: Cole for putting in 100% effort into his reading and writing. We can really see a difference Cole, especially in your handwriting, and we are super proud of you!

#### Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)



Wellington class have loved taking their learning outside this week and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience of Forest schools. In the classroom, they have found out about the artist Henri Rousseau and sketched their own leaves and jungle animals.

They created their own perfumes and potions using natural materials

(as well as adding a bit of added sparkle!) and brightened up the playground by writing positive quotes for the whole school to enjoy.

Next week, the children will complete some final assessments in Maths and SPAG. In Science, they will take a look at the seeds and bulbs planted last week and they will check in with their test to see how they are growing.

In Art, we will learn about a sculptor called Marc Quinn and design and make a bread sculpture. In RE, the children will look at the key beliefs about God, love and forgiveness and actively take part in re-telling the story of 'The Lost Sheep'.

Star of the week: Luca for persevering in Maths!



#### Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week the children have been enjoying their Forest Schools activities!

Next week, is assessment week (although to the children we call it 'show us what you know').

The children will be undertaking assessments in Maths and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) as well as completing their star reading test to hopefully increase their ZPD score.



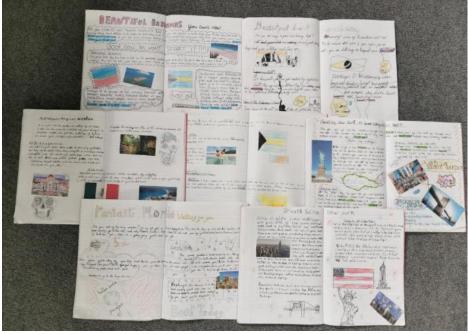
#### Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)



Wow, I don't even know where to start with Year 4 this week and their amazing efforts - every child has worked so hard this week! They have all worked ridiculously hard, but also had lots of fun along the way! The children have really wowed me with their English writing, and I know that they are all very proud of what they have achieved. The results are incredible, not only do they look beautiful, but the content is astounding too. Every child picked a country or state to research and then used all the new techniques they have learnt about persuasive devices to complete

their own tourism advert. The end results are just wonderful, and I couldn't be prouder of them. Keep up the brilliant work Year 4 - you are all more than ready for Year 5!







Their effort and determination didn't stop in their English work. They have all worked really hard in their Maths and have grasped some tricky concepts with fractions. It was clear to see their confidence grow throughout the lessons. The children didn't give up and they helped each other along the way. I'm so proud of you all, you have really shown great resilience this week! The children also took part in a fun game where they learnt how to use money effectively, with a focus on change and how to work out the correct amount needed.



Alongside the Forest Schools with Mrs Holmes and Mr Potter, Class 4 have enjoyed lots of outdoor activities with Mrs Armstrong. They worked in teams to create a hedgehog shelter on the school grounds. The children were all very excited about this and couldn't wait to share their creations. They also whittled and decorated sticks to make their very own weaving frames. Throughout the whole week, they have all displayed brilliant teamwork.

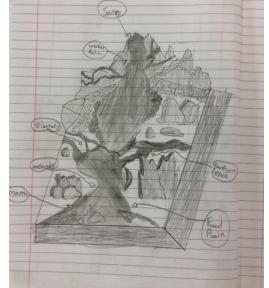
Next week, Year 4 will be taking part in assessment week for Maths and English. The children will continue with their foundation subjects in the afternoon. They will also make a start on their new writing focus 'persuasive speech'. I know the children will be very successful in their final piece of writing, as they have already shown how great they are at using persuasive devices in their tourism adverts.

Star of the week: Molly for her amazing English work and for always doing her best in whatever work she completes!

#### Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)

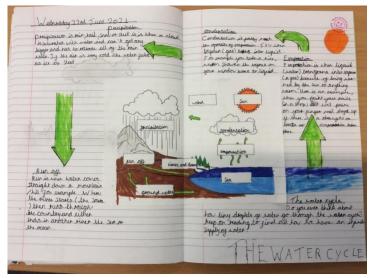


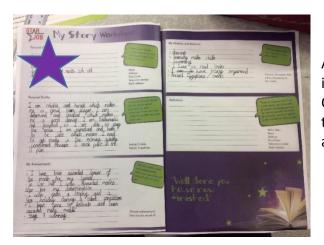
This week we have been learning all about water in Class 5!



As part of our Clarborough Curriculum, pupils have been learning about the features of a river and learning a range of new words such as 'confluence', 'tributary' and 'meander'. Why not ask them if they can explain what these words mean?

In English/Geography, they have written an explanation text about the water cycle and the different parts of the process. I have been so impressed with the quality of work produced and their excellent understanding of this complex process.





As part of our 'Raising Aspirations' programme, pupils were introduced to writing a CV and learned that CV is short for Curriculum Vitae, which means 'My Story' in Latin. They thought about their own skills, qualities, hobbies, interests and personal qualities and had a go at writing their own CV's.

Pupils have also had the opportunity to taste a variety of seasonal fruit and vegetables as part of our Design topic ahead of designing and making their own seasonal meals later in the term.

With Sports Day fast approaching, the children have practised many of the events such as egg and spoon, hurdles, sack race, three-legged race, running and javelin throwing. Which house will win this year?



On Thursday, they thoroughly enjoyed participating in a morning of Forest Schools activities with Mr Potter and Mrs Holmes.

Next week, we will be spending some time assessing what pupils have learned in English and Maths since their return to school as part of our Assessment Week.

In Geography, they will learn about erosion and deposition and will be learning about the principles of a healthy and varied diet with the importance of protein in the diet as part of their DT theme.

Raising Aspirations next week will focus on transferable skills and pupils will be designing an appropriate outfit for their dream job!

Over the past few weeks, their work in RE has been focusing on the work of two charities: Christian Aid and Islamic Relief and next week they will be evaluating the effectiveness of charity websites in providing useful information to others.



#### Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)



Wow - What a week we have had! This week, Year 6 have been looking into all things forest related.

The children have blown me away with, not only the quality of their work over the course of this week, but their behaviour and maturity whilst taking part in the various activities they have taken part in.

The children started the week by becoming trainee foresters. They studied and researched the types of trees, plants and animals that grow and live in woods as well as learning about how forests are created through seed dispersal and then created their own 'perfect' woodland. They had to decide how their seeds were to be carried as well as what plant species would be in their woods and how many.

They followed on from this by creating their own works of art in the style of Henry Russo and his jungle pictures.

Moving on from this, the children used their boxes that they had brought in to create the most fantastic ecosystems, which they will bring home when they have finished.



Continuing the theme of being budding foresters, the children then completed some work on the deforestation which is currently going on in the Amazon Rainforest and the impact that this might have on future generations.

We finished the week by looking at some of the natural beauty found in nature. We looked at certain animals that displayed either beautiful natural shapes or colours and recreated them through our drawings.



As well as this, the children got to take part in a Forest Schools session with myself and Mrs Holmes. In this outdoor session, the children created dream catchers, re-introduced Green Men to the trees of the school, practised using the flint and steel and rounded it all off with toasted marshmallows.

Next week, I am afraid that it is back to the normal lessons...

We will be finishing our dragon report and starting our poetry genre in English. We will be looking at statistics and data analysis in Maths and in Science, we will be continuing to look at the effect of human interference in the evolution of certain species.

In PSHE, the children will be having a look at First Aid and learning some basic First Aid skills.

Finally, we will be looking at Celtic art and creating our own Celtic knots.

And remember - the beautiful thing about learning is that no-one can take it away from you.

Star of the week: Freddie S for his excellent behaviour and perseverance in Forest Schools this week!

#### Dates for your Diary....

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Sports Day for Years 1 to 6 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July – School Reports handed out Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (Back up) Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Last day of Term Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Children return back to school

#### **Out of School Achievements**



A big well done to Freya who gained her Level 4 Proficiency Award in Gymnastics and her 400m certificate in swimming – Great work Freya!

A huge well done to Charlie who has received a certificate from his tutor this week for his hard work and progression – Great work Charlie!





Well done to William for gaining his swimming award for fully submerging and picking up an object this week – Great work William!

#### **Clarborough School Vacancies**

We currently have two vacancies at school, one for a Teaching Assistant, which is a new position for one term only initially and the other is for a full time School Business Manager.

Mrs Cooper will be stepping down at the end of the year, which has led to the School Business Manager vacancy. However, Mrs Cooper and Jes will continue to be involved with school as volunteers from September.

#### **School Business Manager**

NJE Grade 5, point 15-22 - £23,791 to £27,041 Full time – 37 hours per week, year round contract



We wish to appoint a highly effective School Business Manager who will be responsible for the day-to-day management of our school office; supervision of the school's financial management and accounting processes; property management (statutory testing/maintenance contracts); health and safety compliance, administrative systems and HR related tasks.

We are looking for an extremely organised individual, capable of operating at a strategic level, who can also work well as part of a team. If you are interested in applying for the role, please carefully read through the Job Description and Person Specification and complete the application form providing evidence of how you meet the requirements of the role.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed and encouraged, please email the school (office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk ), so this can be arranged for you.

An application pack can be download from our school website: <u>www.clarborough.notts.sch.uk</u> or by emailing <u>finance@clarborough.notts.sch.uk</u> CV's will not be accepted.

Clarborough Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our pupils. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. The offer of employment is subject to satisfactory preemployment clearances including the right to work in the UK, ISA registration, Disclosure and Barring Service, medical checks and two satisfactory references.

Our policies in relation to Equality and Diversity and Safeguarding can be viewed on our website.

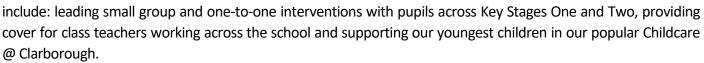
We are an equal opportunities organisation which welcomes applications from all sections of the community, please note that we do not accept CV's.

Closing date for applications: 12.00 (midday) on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July Interviews: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Teaching Assistant**

A fantastic opportunity has arisen for an excellent 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. These



Although roles will be varied, the qualities required for each remain the same. We need an excellent person who plenty of initiative and drive, is committed, hardworking and eager to develop personally, who will inspire, challenge and support all children, staff and parents. The successful candidate will need great interpersonal skills as they will be moving between different children, classes and phases. Experience is good but we are willing to train!

This NJE Grade 2, Point 2 post is initially for one term, working 27.5 hrs per week and starts in September 2021.

We strongly recommend that you come and visit our school before applying so you can see #Team Clarborough at work.

To apply please either contact: office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk or see our website: www.clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Closing date for applications: 2nd July 2021 Interviews: 8th July 2021

#### **Local Community News**

Walk-in Vaccination Clinic at Retford Hospital tomorrow, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am-5pm, for anyone over the age of 18 years and has not received their first vaccination yet.







# 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 (<u>www.clarborough-</u><u>welham.org.uk</u>) – 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: <u>https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/Course/94346391-46cd-4faf-8a2d-0f02b21a17c3</u>

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 <u>office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk</u>