



# Be the best you can be!

# Weekly Newsletter W/e 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

December is here! Our tree is up and lit! The swap shop is open and the snow is falling on our school website!

Thank you to all of you who were able to join us this week for our reading drop ins yesterday and today. They were really well attended and the children so enjoy sharing their learning in this way with you.

In this week's newsletter, we have included all our Christmas events/days so please have a look and book them in on your calendars!

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: finance@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 'Social Media and Mental Health'.

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 Autumn Term 2. Please note, these must be booked <u>one week in advance</u> 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.

### Can you Help?



We are looking for History artefacts/resources to be donated to our school's History department. Although we work closely with Bassetlaw museum, who provide us with topic boxes, it would be

great if we could begin to build on our own collections.





If you have any artefacts/ resources at home which you would be willing to donate to school, we would greatly appreciate it. Any photos which you have, we are able to photocopy these and give the originals back to you.

We are looking for items linked to our Clarborough Curriculum topics; WW2, Space, Ancient Greeks, The Romans, The Mayans, Shang Dynasty, Pilgrim Fathers,

Tudors, Ancient Egypt, Stone Age-Iron Age, Scots and Vikings as well as Mountain explorers.



More information about these can be found on our website. We thank you in anticipation!

#### Star of the Week



This week's theme is: 'Positive behaviour at lunchtime'

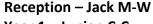
Please see below for the themes over the next few weeks:

W/b 5<sup>th</sup> December: Listening to your learning partner.

W/b 12<sup>th</sup> December: Positive behaviour at lunch time

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:





Year 1 - Lucian C-C

Year 2 – Jacob F

Year 3 - Poppy R

Year 4 – Bess H

Year 5 - Ivan Mc-B

Year 6 - Finlay G





#### Well done everyone!



#### Christmas@Clarborough!

December is finally here! Here's how we are planning to celebrate the festive season at Clarborough. We will let you know of any changes but hope that the following will go as planned:

#### From Monday 5th December - Christmas Post

The Christmas Post Box will be back this year. If your child would like to send Christmas cards, they can be posted in the box in the jungle area from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Deliveries will be made every afternoon to each class.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery and Reception class Nativity - AM. Taking place at school, in the classroom.

This year's Nursery and Reception class Nativity will take place at school, in the classroom. <u>Reception parents</u> are invited to attend the Nativity on Thursday 8th December at <u>9.15am</u> and <u>Nursery parents</u> are invited to attend at <u>10.30am</u>. We are asking that you limit the number of adults attending to two adults per child due to limited space in the classroom. We look forward to seeing you all there!

# Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle service at the village church 1:45pm - School children to attend only

Pupils from Year 6 will be attending a Christingle service at our village church led by Rev Mark Cantrill where the children will learn about the symbolism of the Christingle.

#### Friday 9th December - Clarborough Primary School Christmas Fair 3:30pm - 4:30pm

We are so excited to welcome you to our Christmas Fair! Please join us and support the school with this event. There will be many stalls and activities for you to enjoy! Delicious food will be on sale and of course

no Christmas Fair will be complete, without a Christmas raffle! Any donations towards this raffle, would be gratefully received.

# Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity <u>10am at St John the Baptist Church, Clarborough</u>

Come along and enjoy our KS1 Nativity at St John the Baptist church. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you all there!

#### Friday 16th December – KS1 Nativity At school 2pm

Come along and enjoy our KS1 Nativity at school in the school hall. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you all there!

#### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Carols around the Christmas tree at 3pm (Village Hall Entrance).

Carols around the Christmas tree will take place again this year! Our KS2 children will sing you a few Christmas songs on the playground at 3pm. You are more than welcome to come and join in and please arrive via the Village Hall gate – Have your singing voices ready!!

# Tuesday 20th December - Class Christmas parties

The children can get their party outfits ready for their Christmas parties on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December!! Each class will have their own little party with guaranteed music, games, dancing and laughter – so start planning their outfits! If your child is having PE on this day, they don't have to come in their PE kits because the PE lessons will be adapted accordingly.

#### Wednesday 21st December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day and Last day of term!

Finally, on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December, the children will be having their traditional Christmas lunch with Christmas hats and crackers. **You can book in and pay for this now on Parentmail.** It is also Christmas Jumper Day and the last day of term. All children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform and wear a Christmas jumper for the day.

If you have any spare or outgrown Christmas jumpers at home, we would really appreciate any that can be donated to school to add to our 'Christmas Jumper Swap Shop!' If your child is having PE on this day, they don't have to come in their PE kits because the PE lessons will be adapted accordingly.



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



Well, Christmas started on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec when a small package arrived in Nursery containing an elf called Crispin (he likes crisps). Apparently, Santa wants him to keep an eye on us! He sleeps in our dolls house during the day and comes out at night.... Mrs Dean is a bit worried!

We also had a wonderful time decorating our tree. Walter was most concerned that it needed a star at the top and has made one out of the pegs.





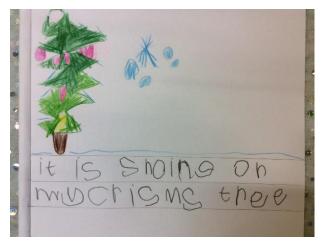
# **Reception: Mary Anning Class**



This week we have been thinking about the different types of food that we like to eat, and where it comes from. The children have made plates of food using different materials and did some fantastic threading to make Very Hungry Caterpillar necklaces. We tasted various types of food and decided which were the most and least popular.









The children have also been very busy rehearsing our Nativity show ready for our performances next Thursday, and they have been very excited to see who Santa has left a letter and gift for on our Advent tree.

Next week, we will be thinking about the similarities and differences between our families, as well as getting the classroom ready for Christmas!



# **Year 1: Garrett Morgan Class**

This week the children in Year 1 have been carrying on with their topic of measuring in Maths. In English, they have been learning about what a preposition is and in Clarborough Curriculum, they have been taking part in role plays about the Gunpowder Plot. In Art, they have continued to

create their structures of Big Ben and in French, they have been learning how to say 'goodbye.' They have also had a visit from Elvis the Elf!







Next week, Year 1 are going to be practising the Nativity, they will be completing their 'Show me what you know' sheets about the Gunpowder Plot and they will also be completing their end of term assessments.



**Year 2: Professor Brian Cox Class** 

In Year 2 this week, the children have been adding 2-digit numbers and regrouping. They have also been practising telling the time. In English, they have been looking at 'The Magic Door' and predicting what is going to be behind it. They have also been thinking of adjectives to describe the door. Year 2 have also been very busy practising for the Nativity.



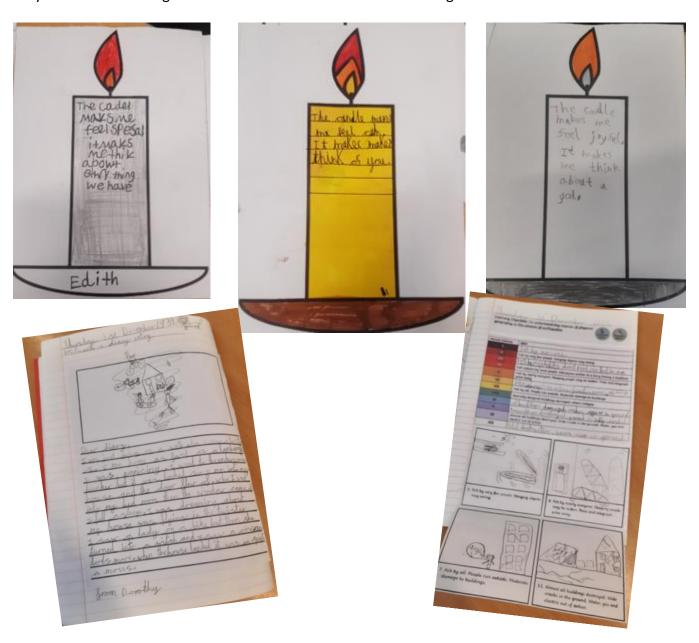
Next week, the children will be completing their assessments and their 'Show me what you know' sheets about Winston Churchill.

# **Year 3: Mary Jackson Class**



In Year 3 this week, the children have been practising their 2- and 5-times tables. They have also been dividing by 2 and 5 too. In English they have completed 'The Iron Man' story and finding out about adverbs and using them in sentences. They have also been finding out the meanings of new vocabulary from 'The Iron Man' and written a diary in the style of Dorothy from The Wizard of Oz describing the tornado. In Clarborough Curriculum, Year 3 have been finding out about earthquakes and how they happen. They

would also like to say a huge 'thank you' to everyone who came to the exhibition this week. In Computing, they have been creating different sized cubes to make models using the hammer tool.

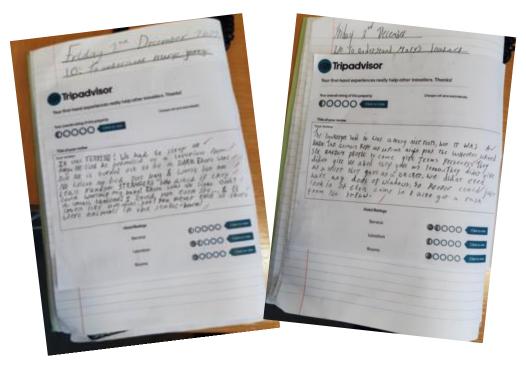


Next week, Year 3 will be completing a table top hovercraft investigation and completing their 'Show me what you know' about natural disasters together with completing their end of term assessments.

**Year 4: Richard Leakey Class** 



In Maths this week, Year 4 have been completing word problems involving division using the short method. They have also been looking at co-ordinates. In English they have been using similes and creating a story mountain. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been finding out about energy transfer in food chains and looking at the differences in sunlight at the North and South Poles. In PSHE, Year 4 have been looking at hazards, dangers and risks and in Computing, they have been moving pictures around. In Art, they have created folded images based on Mary's journey as part of RE day and writing reviews for Trip Advisor for the stable in Bethlehem.



Next week, Year 4 will be completing their assessments, looking at tropical climates and how pressure affects us.

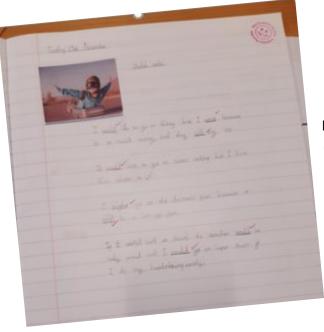
# **Year 5: Hedy Lamarr Class**



This week, the children in Year 5 have been understanding fractions and finding equivalent fractions. In English, they have been reading their class text 'The Falling Angel', discussing places they would like to visit and have started to write a setting description. In Science, they have been investigating whether handspan increases with our age and in French, they have been talking about people in their family. In Computing, Year 5 have been finishing their app designs.

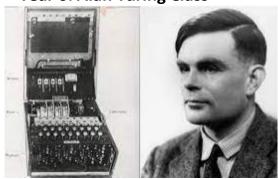






Next week is assessment week. The children in Year 5 will also be finding out about puberty and how the body changes during puberty. In French, they will be recording themselves in conversation!

**Year 6: Alan Turing Class** 



In Maths, Year 6 have been adding and subtracting fractions with the same and different denominators. In English, they have been planning a narrative based in a historical setting, learning about the verb, to be.

In Clarborough Curriculum, they have been finishing their D Day posters and in Science they have been looking at light. Their Computing work focused on the binary code and in French they have been counting to over 30!



Next week, the children will be completing their assessments, writing their narratives, producing art in the style of Henry Moore and completing their 'Show me what you know' about the Second World War. They are also having a science investigation day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Please can all Year 6 children bring in some creative homework based on WW2 Anderson shelters for Thursday 15th December.

We would also like them to dress up as a WW2 child on the same day!

#### Year 6 Creative homework

Your task is to make an Anderson shelter. You can be as creative as you like. Please bring your model in by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022.



# Dates for your Diary....

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Post

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery and Reception Nativity – 9.15am Reception Parents, 10.30am Nursery Parents

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christingle service for Year 6 children at St John the Baptist church, <u>school only</u> Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair, 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 10am – KS1 Nativity at St John the Baptist church – All Welcome! Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm – KS1 Nativity at school – All Welcome!

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 3pm – Carols around the tree- Village Hall entrance, All Welcome! Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas class parties!

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Last day of term – Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day! Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 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.

Congratulations to Hattie who received her Learn to Swim 3 this week – Well done Hattie!





Well done to Lucy who received her Stage 9 swimming certificate this week – Fantastic work Lucy!

Congratulations to Myla who received her Discover 1 Gymnastics Award and medal for her fantastic bridge work – Great work Myla!





Well done to Willow who received her Learn to Swim 2 Certificate this week – Brilliant work Willow!

Congratulations to Maisie-Lou who received her Explore Core Skills 1 Certificate and medal this week for fantastic back bends, kick overs and completing a handstand into a bridge – Amazing work Maisie-Lou!





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.

