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End of School Year Newsletter



24th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

This final bumper edition of the newsletter showcases all the learning and fun the children have experienced during the summer term. We really hope you enjoy looking through the photos and finding out about the learning across school.



I would like to wish all the Year 6 Leavers all the very best as they move onto their different secondary schools in September. They have ended their time here on a high and I am proud of each and every one of them!

We also say goodbye to Mrs Steward and Miss Mallett this term. Mrs Steward has worked here for three years teaching across Key Stages One and Two, teaching Year 6 pupils this year and will be missed by staff and pupils alike. Miss Mallett has been a fantastic support to our pupils in Year 4 this year having worked in Key Stage 2 over the last two years. We are really grateful for their time here and a massive thank you to both of them for being part of Team Clarborough!

Thinking ahead to September, I would like to remind you that the uniform policy is on our school website. Please take a look at this so your child is correctly equipped for the autumn term.

Our whole-school PE day is changing to Thursdays from September. I am pleased to announce that our PE sessions will be delivered and supported through Next Level Sports. They will also be running a girls' and boys' football club so that there are more opportunities for competitive matches over the season. Our pupils in Year 4 will be taking swimming lessons from Thursday September 12th 2024 to Thursday 13th February 2025 at Retford Leisure Centre. Further information about additional PE days will be sent out in September.

From September 2024, the Department for Education are monitoring attendance more thoroughly and there will be changes around penalty notices in line with a new national framework. I will share further information with you about this in September.

I hope you have a safe and happy holiday time together with your families and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

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 (Please note the school office email will be checked occasionally throughout the summer)

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



Booking in Lunches, Breakfast Club and Wraparound Club

Parentmail will be opened over the Summer holidays for you to book your child's lunches, Breakfast club and Wraparound places for the Autumn Term 1. Please note, these must be booked one week in advance 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.

Always Always with Mrs Cowell-Clark

On Wednesday, Mrs Cowell-Clark was joined by this half-term's 'Always, Always' pupils for a treat or two and a chat. Congratulations to Isabelle, Elliott, River, Cole, Maia and Penny!



New Class Names

Next year's classes will be named after Countries of the World:



Nursery:	China
Reception:	Canada
Year 1:	Hungary
Year 2:	Italy
Year 3:	Egypt
Year 4:	Poland
Year 5:	India
Year 6:	New Zealand

Maths and English Awards

The following awards have been awarded to the below pupils for their progress and dedication over the year. Well done to you all!

Year 1 and 2 Maths Award: Amelia
Year 3 and 4 Maths Award: Reiss
Year 5 and 6 Maths Award: Zach

Year 1 and 2 English Award: Yazmin
Year 3 and 4 English Award: Noah R
Year 5 and 6 English Award: Elsie H



Accelerated Reader Millionaires



Congratulations to Oliver McG and Sebastian H who have read over 1,000,000 words! Oliver read over 1,033,794 words and Sebastian has read over 1,127,170 words this school year. Amazing work - Well done boys!

Merit and Courtesy Awards

Year 1 - Merit: Fern
Courtesy: Bobby

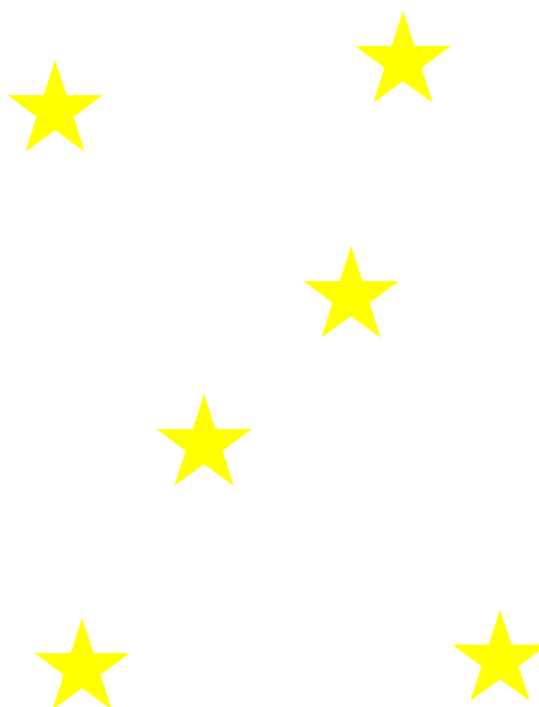
Year 2 - Merit: Joely
Courtesy: Elliott

Year 3 - Merit: Lorelai
Courtesy: Mila-Grace

Year 4 - Merit: Cole
Courtesy: Kiera

Year 5 - Merit: Rion
Courtesy: Isla O

Year 6 - Merit: Emily
Courtesy: Jacob



African Dance – Whole School

On Thursday 7th June, the whole school put on their dancing shoes and took part in an African dance session. Each class took part and learnt moves set to African music. A massive Thank you to Bemma for coming in and spending the day with us!



Clarborough Football Team

Our Clarborough School football team have played two matches this term. Our first match was a home match against Langold with an amazing score of 7-1 to Team Clarborough. Our second match was a home match against Misterton with another Team Clarborough victory of 4-3. Fantastic work by Team Clarborough!



Year 1 – 6 Sports Day

We had another successful sports day again this year. It was so great to see so many of you attend and support the children, even the sunshine made an appearance! All the children who took part gave 100%.

‘Thank You’ to all the staff involved in helping the event run so smoothly. It was great to see such great team work from everybody involved.

We had a tie for first place within our house teams this year with Hawking and Attenborough taking the top spot, followed by Pankhurst in third and Wilberforce in fourth. Congratulations everyone!



C-FEST!!

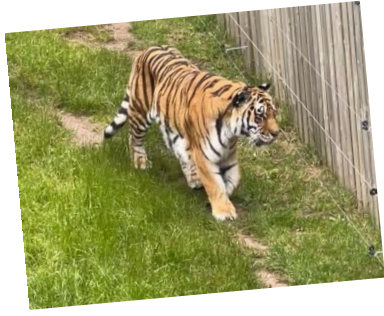
We had an amazing afternoon at our annual C-Fest. The sun was shining and we were in full party mode with music from DJ Carl! Refreshments were provided from Helping Hands.



Year 1 & 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

In June, our Year 1 & 2 classes went on a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. The children and all the staff who attended had a fabulous day out. The children were split into groups to explore the park at their own pace and were so lucky to spot so many animals.

We all stopped for a picnic style lunch on the green then headed off to a classroom for an interactive session with some of the park keepers. We learnt about the food chain and looked at the different types of teeth that animals have. The children then got to meet some of the park's smaller, slimy, scaly and slithery animals.



Nursery and 30hrs:

Wow! what a busy term we have had in Nursery! It started with our wonderful Camping Week followed by Sports Day, Spanish Week (flamencos a plenty), a look at people living in cold places, then a brief Safari outing culminating in our fabulous Graduation Ceremony for those moving into Reception in September. Through it all we have welcomed new children, learnt how to win, lose, try new things and handle all the emotions that come with living life to the full. No wonder we are weary but so happy and proud of our class. Happy Holidays everyone - we're missing you already!



Reception:

We have had another busy term in the Reception class, learning about 'Our Wonderful World'. The children have learnt about lots of different places, from our local area to the wider world. We have learnt about the countries that make up the United Kingdom and have talked about the Olympic Games being held in Paris. The children have learnt about different types of islands and what it's like to live there. We also talked about what it is like to live somewhere cold, like Iceland, and then went on an African 'Safari'. In between all of this, the children took part in their Sports Day and we spent a week finding out what it was like to go on a camping holiday.



We are so proud of the children and how hard they have worked this year: Their brains have really grown and they have matured so much. We will really miss them next year, but know that they will have a fantastic time in Year 1. Well done everyone!





Year 1

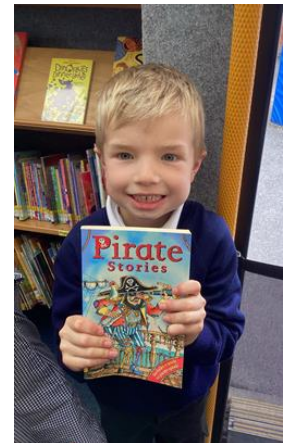
Maths:

In Maths, Year 1 have been recognising coins and notes. We had a mini ice-cream stall in the classroom where they had to count the money and buy an ice-cream. They have also been learning how to tell the time to 'o'clock' and 'half past.'

English:

I would like to say a huge congratulations to all the children in Year 1 for completing their 40 word challenge this half-term. I am so proud of all of you for practising at home and for being so enthusiastic in daily Phonics lessons.

This half term, we have been looking at shape poems. The children explored the rhyming and rhythm of a shape poem. We have been talking a lot about adjectives and how they can use these words to describe their chosen animal. They finished the unit by writing their own shape poem using descriptive words, phrases and noun trios.



Clarborough Curriculum:



Over the last half-term, we have been learning about significant British kings and queens. We researched all about Richard III, Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria and now know some interesting facts about each of them. We have learnt what a monarch is and the qualities needed to be a good monarch and we also talked about our own family tree and who is in our family.

Science/Art/Computing/French:

Science - This half term the children have been learning about the 5 animal groups. Within this topic the children have identified and named a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals.

Art - In Art, the children have been learning about primary and secondary colours. They have enjoyed mixing colours together using a range of techniques and applying these skills in painting.

Computing - In Computing, the children have enjoyed designing and making their own comic creation. They have also learnt to insert backgrounds, characters and texts.

French - The children have enjoyed learning how to say the seven modes of transport.



Class 2

Maths:

With Mrs Green the children have been learning about position and direction. They have practised using left and right when describing direction. They have then learnt to use a whole, half and quarter turn and describe if they are turning clockwise or anti-clockwise.

In Maths with Mrs Williams, we have spent some time consolidating our learning from Year 2, ready for our end of year assessments. We have been learning how to solve word problems linked to addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, as well as recalling how to use tens and ones to support us with our calculations.

We have also been looking at measuring length and height and how to accurately measure in centimetres and metres. The children have ordered objects according to their length and heights as well as comparing different objects using words like shorter, longest, longer and shortest.



English:



We started this half term looking at shape poems, including one about a penguin, which we used as a guide to spot features such as rhyming and vocabulary choices. The children then had a choice to research African elephants or giant otters to base their shape poem on. We created a word bank of rhyming words linked to their animals and then wrote a shape poem.

Also, in English the children wrote a recount of their trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. The children really enjoyed the day and we had some great weather and saw so many different animals.

More recently we have begun to look at a short film clip called Dangle. So far, the children have only watched a little of the film and we have been talking about what a dilemma is and beginning to debate whether the man should pull the rope or not.

Clarborough Curriculum:

In Geography, the children have continued comparing their locality to the village of Mugurameno in Zambia. They have learnt about the different uses of rivers in the UK and Zambia and found similarities between the two. They have also learnt how village life is different including going to school and how the people of Mugurameno protect themselves from wild animals.

Science/Art/Computing/French:

Science: the children have learnt about habitats from around the world. They have enjoyed learning about the rainforest, ocean, Arctic and Antarctica. They have also considered how habitats are changing and the dangers that each face.

French: In French, the children have been learning the names of key places in a town including the park, café, sports stadium, bakery, cinema and school.

Art: Year 2 have been looking at linkages and pivots. We have been exploring how linkages work and have practised making some examples. In our last week, the children made their own moving monsters. They were very excited!



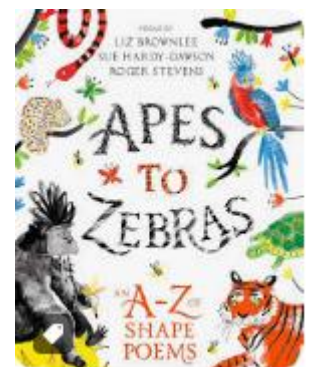
Class 3

Maths:

The children have worked really hard to consolidate their Maths learning this half term. They are now able to describe turns including clockwise and anti-clockwise. They learnt to recognise 90-degree angles as a right angle as well as recognising 2D and 3D shapes including parallel and perpendicular lines. Recently, they have been learning about statistics and how to interpret and draw pictograms and bar charts as well as collecting and representing their own data. They also learnt how to read and analyse two-way tables and consolidated their multiplication facts from the 3-, 4- and 8-times table.

English:

The children really enjoyed their learning about the poetry book 'Apes to Zebras' and created some fantastic poems based on the examples in the book. They began to understand the messages behind the shape poems and how the shape impacts the message to the reader. They created their own shape poems about bees. We also based our writing around a short animation called 'Contre Temps' (Against Time) and the children learnt about different grammatical features including conjunctions, fronted adverbials, direct and indirect speech. They concluded this learning by writing their own newspaper report about the animation.



Clarborough Curriculum:



This half term, the children have been learning about the Earth's climate and cycles. They were introduced to Axel, the axolotl, who joined us on our journey to learn about sustainability. The children began by learning about the water cycle and each week, had a different question to focus on to learn more about the Earth's climate. They particularly enjoyed the hands-on experiments when looking at tornadoes and how water evaporates.



Science/Art/Computing/French:



The highlight for many children this half term, was learning how to use 'Minecraft Education' in Computing. Now, children are confident in logging in and exploring worlds as well as making their own worlds and inviting their friends to join. This programme will be used to extend and enhance learning in all areas of the curriculum!

In Art, the Year 3 children learnt about 3D structures and manipulated a range of materials to create their own 3D structures. They also learnt how to use hot and cold colours when painting, to create different moods.

In French they learnt how to order their own ice creams including which flavours they would like and how many scoops!

In PE, children learnt the skills needed to play tennis as well as rounders. They particularly enjoyed an afternoon playing dodgeball as a result of the rainy weather.

This term, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning how to play the African drum, following a beat, creating their own rhythms and learning their own songs ready for a performance. A huge thank you to Tommy from Inspire Music for creating excitement every week! Please have a look at the video on Seesaw!

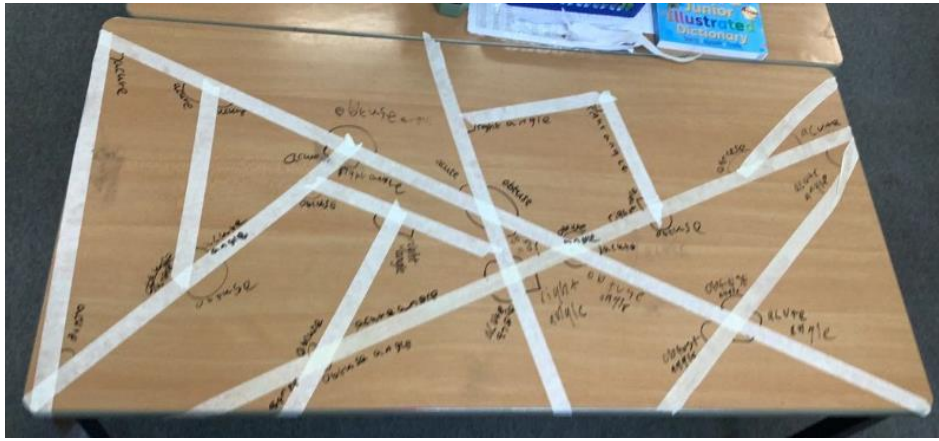


Smashers: One smasher in Year 3 – Well done to Isabelle!!

Class 4

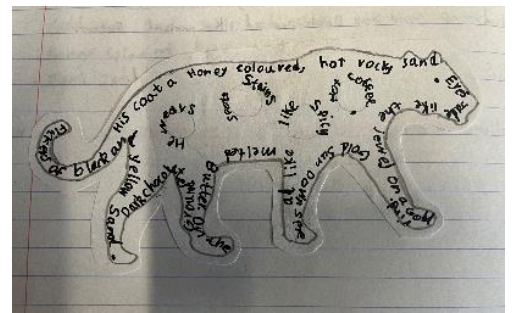
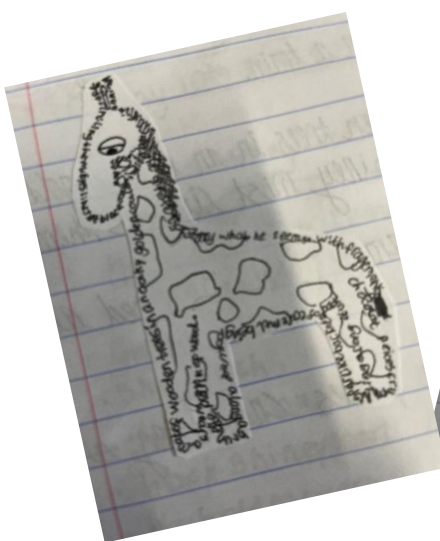
Maths:

This half-term in Maths, pupils have been exploring shape, statistics and position & direction. They have learned to identify, compare and order angles, explored the properties of different 2D shapes and understood symmetry in shapes and patterns. Euro 2024 was the stimulus for our work on statistics and pupils enjoyed using the information from the groups stages to identify data as well as find out the distances between the stadiums. When learning about position and direction, pupils have been learning to describe position using coordinates, plot coordinates and translate shapes on a grid.



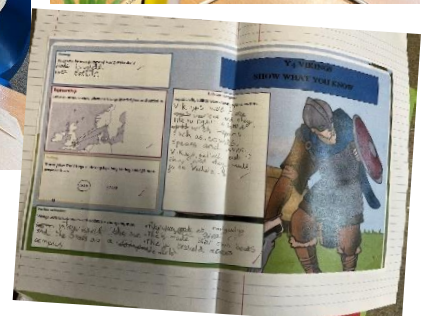
English:

In English, pupils began this half-term with a whole school poetry project based on the text, *From Apes to Zebras*. They read a variety of shape poems, identified the features of a shape poem and wrote their own versions based on a chosen animal. For our second unit of work, pupils watched the short animation, *Pigeon Impossible*, before planning and writing a newspaper report based on the events in the film.



Clarborough Curriculum:

Vikings have continued to be our theme for the second part of this term and pupils have been learning about Vikings as traders as well as raiders! They learned to understand the impact that trade had on people's lives through role play and learned to investigate the importance of trade through a 'Dragon's Den' style pitch. To end the unit, they completed their 'Show me What You Know' activity and worked in groups to design and build a Viking longship.



Science/Art/Computing/French:

Our Science focus this term has been on conservation and pupils have learned: to describe Ecosystems and understand how they are affected by changes in the seasons, the human impact on the environment through deforestation, air pollution and water pollution and to understand that humans can have a positive impact on nature.

In DT, pupils have applied their knowledge of electricity and circuits to design and make their own torches, including batteries, bulbs, lamps and switches.



In French, pupils have been recapping how to talk about themselves: using basic greetings in French, asking somebody how they are feeling and replying when asked; asking somebody their name in French and replying when asked; recalling the numbers 1-10 and counting from 11-20 in French; asking somebody how old they are in French and replying when asked and asking somebody where they live in French and replying when asked.

Smashers: Cole, Edwin, Ben, Taylor, Henry K, Scarlett, Georgie, Poppy, Ishe, Albert, Penny, Noah, Mason, Ella, Alex, Edith, Freddie, Henry G and Harry!

Class 5

Maths:

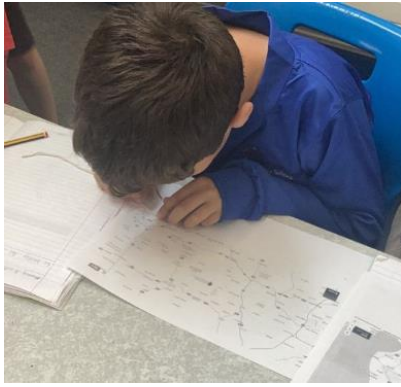
This half-term, Year 5 looked at understanding and comparing negative numbers. We then moved on to comparing and estimating volume and capacity before learning to convert both metric and imperial units. Since then, the children have been consolidating their knowledge of topics that we have covered over the year through a variety of challenges and games.

English:

As part of our whole school poetry unit, Year 5 created their own shape poems using colours from a colour chart and grammatical elements that they have learnt throughout the year to enhance their writing. The children then used a short film to create their own descriptions using their knowledge of emotive language and pathetic fallacy to help them.

Clarbrough Curriculum:

Within Geography, Year 5 have investigated whether Clarbrough meets the needs of the people who live here. During the topic, pupils were able to use fieldwork techniques on a data gathering trip around Clarbrough. The children then used their data to consider what needs are met and any improvements that could be made to further meet people's needs within the village. In addition, the children learned about both four- and six-figure grid references, developing their map skills to write grid references for specific places.



Science/Art/Computing/French:

Science - During this topic, pupils have investigated both reversible and irreversible changes. They enjoyed watching cabbage indicator turn pink when lemon juice was added and planned their own investigation to see in what liquid rust develops the most.



Art - Pupils have been creating their own portraits using a range of media.

Computing - Pupils have explored 'Minecraft' for schools, completing a range of challenges. The children learned how to use the keys, interact with items in the game and how to be safe online.

French- Pupils have developed the skills to have a conversation about how they feel, their name, age and where they live.

Smashers: These children in Year 5 achieved 85% pass rate on their accelerated reader quizzes over the past school year - Isla H, Oliver, Luca, Isabella and Casey. We had no target set for Smashers.

Year 5 Forest School Afternoon

Year 5 had the chance to enjoy a Forest School day with Mrs Freeman on which was quite possibly one of the wettest days of the summer term! The children didn't seem to notice the rain and all had a very fun and muddy morning of den building. The afternoon was followed by a campfire with hot chocolate, toasted marshmallows and making S'mores.



Year 5 Sports Leader Programme Bake Sale

During the last week of term, our Year 5 pupils hosted a bake sale in aid of their Sports Leaders Programme. The Sports Leaders Programme will teach our current Year 5 pupils to become sports coaches within school and deliver sports coaching to the other pupils during the week, when they become our new Year 6 group in September. All money raised from the bake sale is going towards Sports Leaders hoodies and whistles with any left-over money then going into the school fund.

Thank you so much to everyone who donated cakes, biscuits and sweet treats. We raised an amazing £165.30 which is absolutely fantastic!



Class 6 – Year 6 Leavers and Leavers Activities

SATS Results

Our Year 6 group had some amazing SATS results. The whole year group worked so hard and showed so much resilience in the run up to the exams. Well done Year 6, we are so proud of you. Team work makes the dream work!



Sailing Trip

On Wednesday 6th June, Year 6 went out to Daneshill Lake to take part in a sailing session. It was a rather cold and damp June day but the children and staff who attended had loads of fun and quite a few of them got rather wet! Unfortunately, it was too windy to set sail in the afternoon but they all had a great morning, followed by mugs of hot chocolate when they got back to school.

Year 6 Leavers Performance - "School-O-Vision"

Wow! What an amazing performance from our Year 6 group! They all worked so, so hard to make the show a success. There were plenty of catchy songs, audience participation, glitz and glamour, wit, humour and some heartfelt lyrics. We are so proud of you Year 6 all the hard work definitely paid off!

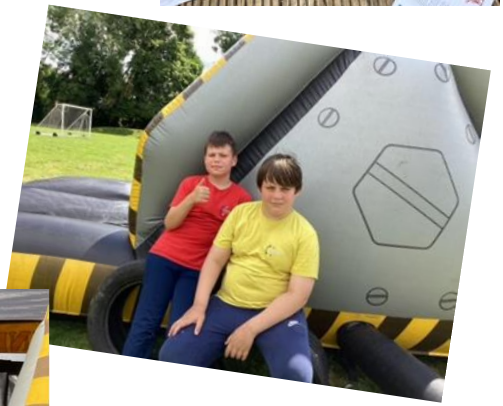
Year 6 Activities week.

On the last week our Year 6 pupils got the chance to unwind and have plenty of fun! On Monday, the children enjoyed Forest school with Mrs Freeman. They built dens, climbed trees, made a fire then enjoyed toasting marshmallows and making Smores! The afternoon was spent having a huge water fight! Even poor Ms Swift got a soaking.

On Tuesday, we took delivery of a giant inflatable assault course and the



children spent the day burning off all their energy and having so much fun in the process. Wednesday, the children had a movie day. They had pizza delivered from Pizza Milano, treat bags from Helping Hands PTA and sweetie cones from Mrs Hardie and Mrs McGoldrick. Leavers shirts and books were signed and ice cream and treats were enjoyed during the afternoon. We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has supported our Year 6 Pupils. Your donations from raffles and cake sales that we have held throughout the year have meant we have been able to provide all these fabulous treats and activities for them.





Year 6 Awards

At the end of the year we give out awards to our Year 6 pupils, celebrating their achievements throughout the year. This year the awards were as follows:

- Perseverance Award – Emily
- Inquisitive Mind Award – Daniel
- Excellence in Mathematics Award – Toby
- Improvement in Writing Award – Winnie
- Excellence in English – Mason
- Positive Attitude Award – Jacob
- Excellence in Art & Design Award – Stan



Be 'The Best You Can Be' Award – Charlotte
Outstanding Sports Person Award – Harriet
Resilience Award – Asya
Excellence in Creative Writing Award – Ivan
Excellence in World Knowledge Award – Reece
Avid Reader Award – Penny
Independence Award – Piper
Developed Confidence Award – Beatrice
All Rounder Award – Heidi
Developed Confidence Award - Eddie



Our two most prestigious awards being given out; The Jonathan Webster Award for being an outstanding sportsperson, in loving memory of Jonathan Webster awarded to Harriet Meadows and the Zain Beeharry Award for model student, in loving memory of Zain Beeharry awarded to Charlotte Cooper.

To all our Year 6 Pupils - You are all amazing. Continue to shine in everything that you do and whatever comes your way in the future. You will all be missed.

Dates for your Diary....

Thursday 25th & Friday 26th July 2024 – Inset Days SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 25th July to Tuesday 3rd Sept 24 - SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Monday 2nd September – Inset Day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 3rd September – Children Return to School
Friday 6th September – Pop Up Uniform Table
Friday 13th September – ELS Mobile Library
Friday 20th September – Phonics Meeting for Reception Parents 9.15am (Details to Follow)
Wednesday 25th September – Flu Vaccinations (Details to Follow)
Friday 27th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning (Details to Follow)



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

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.

