



*Be the best you can be!*

## **Weekly Newsletter**

W/e 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well the half term holiday is finally here and we all have our fingers crossed for some dry weather for us to be able to enjoy! It has been another productive week at school and I am certain that the children (and staff) deserve a little rest.

Whatever you have planned, I hope you enjoy some time together and are able to make some new memories as some things open up again for us to enjoy. Please take some time to look at the information regarding contact tracing (below). Whenever there has been a holiday, this information has been shared with you but it is really important to revisit it and check the new dates.

As June and July approach, I have shared with you some key dates that are coming up, including our Forest School Week and Sports Day. I will send out more information about these as we get closer to the time in light of any changes to guidance given by the Prime Minister on 12<sup>th</sup> June. Information about class teachers from September will also be shared with you in the first week back.

I hope you have a relaxing week together and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

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) (The office emails will be checked once a week during the half term).

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)

### **Contact Tracing**

Please take a few minutes to read through the below information regarding COVID guidelines we are asking you to follow as we break up for the Half Term.

- If a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus, having developed symptoms within 48hours of being in school, then please contact the office at [office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk) and we will assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation in line with guidance from Public Health England and the DfE, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school

So, if you or child develops symptoms on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May or Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May and you receive a positive result for COVID-19, please contact the office and we will identify close contacts and then advise self-isolation. This is because you would be within the 48hours infectious period.

- If a pupil or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus, having developed symptoms more than 48hours since being in school, the school does not need to be contacted.


So, if you or your child develops symptoms after Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May and you have a test carried out and it is confirmed positive, you do not need to inform school. This is because this is beyond the 48hours infectious period. Parents and carers would need to follow the contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace and isolating guidance.

## 'Grab your Job'

Nottinghamshire County Council are encouraging all eligible adults in Nottinghamshire to get vaccinated against Covid-19.

A Parentmail will be sent out to you with the attached letter confirming where you can book your appointment.

This matter is being dealt with by:  
Public Health Division  
Reference:  
T 0300 500 80 80  
E [enquiries@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@nottscc.gov.uk)  
W [nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://nottinghamshire.gov.uk)



27 May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

**'Grab your job' and help to keep Nottinghamshire schools safe**

We're making a fresh call for all eligible adults in Nottinghamshire to get vaccinated against Covid-19.

We want everyone to have the protection offered by the vaccine to reduce the spread of the virus – and to help Nottinghamshire's continued unlocking of Covid-19 restrictions.

The more people who take up the offer of a vaccine, the greater the protection afforded to all local communities and our schools. Like you, we want to move towards 21 June when all remaining social restrictions might be lifted by the Government. We don't want to return to lockdown.

Currently, everyone over the age of 30 can get the vaccine – to book your appointment, visit [www.nhs.uk/covidvaccine](http://www.nhs.uk/covidvaccine) or call 119. We want everyone to have the vaccine.

We understand that there may be valid reasons for people to be a little unsure or hesitant about having the jab. If you haven't yet taken up the opportunity to be vaccinated, you haven't missed your opportunity; anyone can change their mind. The NHS currently has a good supply of the vaccine for everyone who is eligible.

People might also be concerned about the Covid-19 variant that originated in India. Latest research shows the vaccine is still effective against this variant.

If you have questions, the [local NHS has a webpage](#) with lots of frequently asked questions and links to information in other languages, videos and other sources of information.

It is important families continue to follow national guidance and when not showing any symptoms conduct twice weekly testing using free, rapid COVID tests. This identifies those unseen cases that can still spread the infection. Please visit [Asymptomatic Community Testing for people without Covid-19 symptoms | Nottinghamshire County Council](#) for more information.

Anyone who has symptoms of Covid-19 should get a test as soon as possible and anyone who tests positive must stay at home and follow [self-isolation guidance](#).

Let's all work together to keep each other safe and protected so that we can move forward out of this pandemic.

Yours faithfully

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Education Learning and Skills  
Nottinghamshire County Council

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Consultant in Public Health  
Nottinghamshire County Council



## National Online Safety

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

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!



## Key Stage 1 Reading Challenge!

An exciting challenge for Years 1 and 2 set by Miss Green and Mrs Williams – Get reading!

### Key Stage One Reading Challenge

Miss Green and Mrs Williams are excited to introduce a new reading challenge that starts next week. All you have to do is read at home and make sure this is written in your planner. You earn 1 point for each day that you read. Every Monday, we will check your planners and add the points together for that week and you can move your fish up the display towards the boat. Once you have reached the top (25 points) you have completed the challenge and will get a special certificate and will be invited to a treat afternoon towards the end of the year.

You can get started over half term and record your reading on the letter we have sent home. Once we are back at school, this will need to be written in your planners.

**Can you reach the boat before Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July?**



## 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.

## Sickness

Just a polite reminder that if your child has been sick, they must stay at home for 48 hours after their last episode of sickness. They cannot come back to school after just one day.

## Our Termly Displays

This term the children have worked so hard on their class topics and have produced amazing displays in the hall. We are so pleased to be able to show you their work – Enjoy!

### Reception - Sunflowers

The children have finished their huge sunflower picture inspired by Vincent Van Gogh – Amazing!



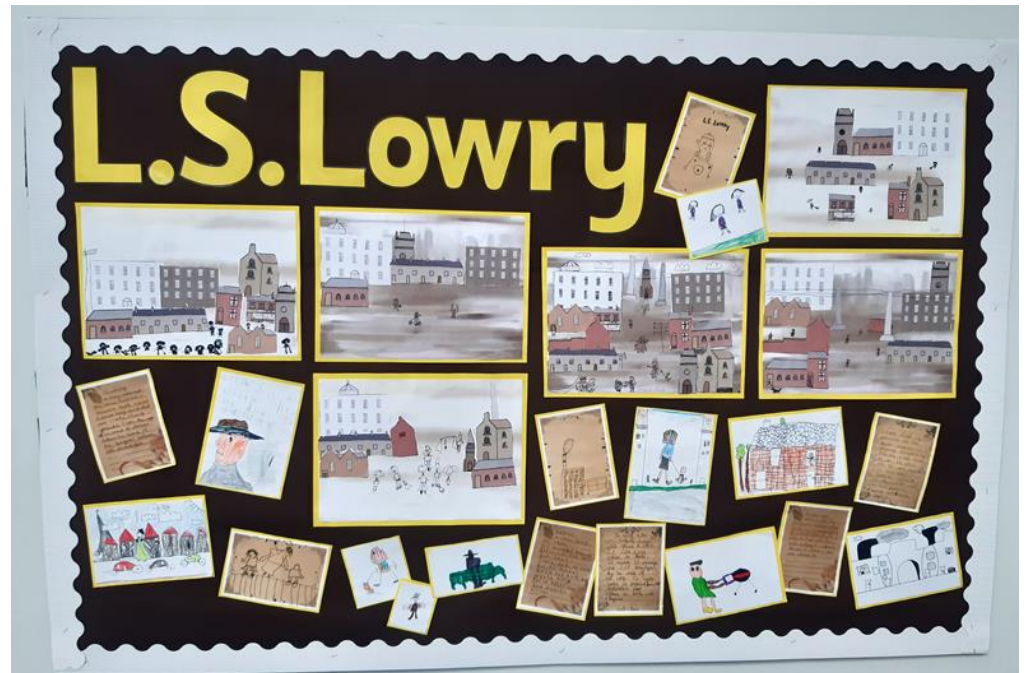
### Year 1 - Space



The children have used their planet and rocket designs to add to our display and we are all super proud of it!

## Year 2 – LS Lowry

The children completed research about LS Lowry's life and completed a building collage in a style that is similar to his by adding matchstick men and some amazing pieces of writing – Great job Year 2!



## Year 3 – Mayan Masks



Year 3 have really enjoyed creating their own Mayan masks. The children have learnt all about why the Maya had masks and their significance - They are fabulous!

## Year 4 – The Barnabus Project

Class Riga have explored themes in the book 'The Barnabus Project', creating some fantastic 'failed' yet perfect, animal projects of their own – Great ideas Year 4!



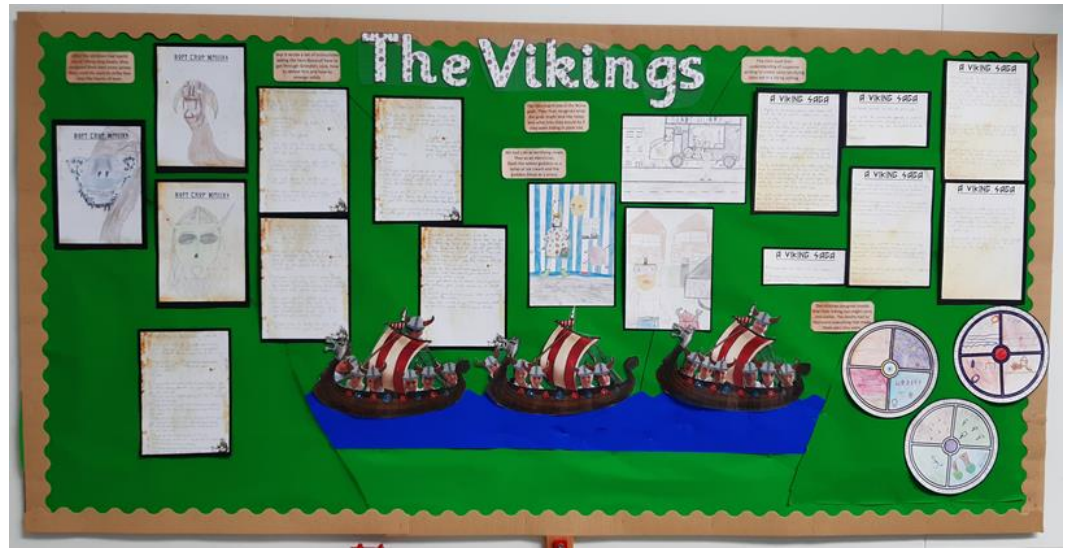
## Year 5 – Egyptians



Caracas Class have been busy showcasing their learning from this half term all about ancient Egypt – Great work Year 5!

## Year 6 – Vikings

Year 6 have produced some amazing artwork and pieces of writing on their Vikings topic – Amazing!



## Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)

We are loving our growing topic and the children have really learnt a great deal about crops, plants, animals and human growth. The plants in our new area are being well cared for and the children's awareness of growth all around them has led us to do some observational paintings of dandelions and daisies they have collected.

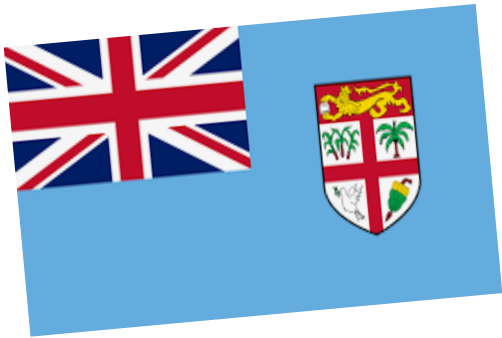


Have a wonderful half term. Our next stop is Journeys - starting with our own journeys to school.



**Star of the week: Charlie for working so hard with writing his name!**

### Reception Bubble Group (Suva)



This week in Suva class the children have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly; from egg to caterpillar to chrysalis and finally to butterfly. They have enjoyed listening to the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and making lots of crafts based on the story, such as caterpillar headbands, paper-chain caterpillars and butterflies with fluttery wings!

We have also finished our huge sunflower picture, inspired by Vincent Van Gogh, and it looks amazing!



When we return to school after the half-term holiday we will be learning about different types of journeys, and our first journey will be the one we make to school. It would be really useful if the children could take one or two photos of things that they see on their journey to and from school so that we can use them as part of our work in class (they could be uploaded onto Seesaw or emailed to Mrs Turton at [sturton@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:sturton@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)). It would also be helpful for the children to know their address so that we can look for their home on Google Maps and discuss how they travel from home to school.

Have a wonderful holiday and we look forward to seeing the children when we return on Monday 7 June!



**Star of the week: Joey for always doing the right thing!**



## Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)



In Seoul class this week, the children have been working really hard to complete some assessments - well done Year 1 for working super hard!

We have also been finishing our wonderful space stories. We have had all sorts of animals going up to space in different rockets and the children have designed rockets exploding or crashing on to different planets. Luckily, all our characters in each story got back to Earth safely in the end!

The children have also enjoyed making rockets this week. They have used lots of old containers and boxes and found different ways of fixing them together to create their own designs. I know they really enjoyed this activity.

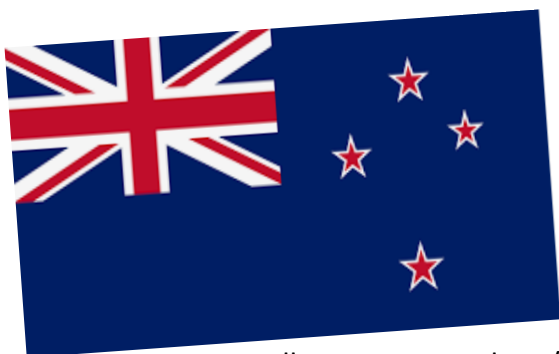
Our fabulous space display is now up in the hall. The children have used their planet and rocket designs to add to our display and we are all super proud of it!

We hope you all have a wonderful break next week and look forward to seeing you all for the last half term of Year 1 on Monday 7th June.



**Star of the week: Ayda for always wanting to learn and putting in 110% into whatever learning and activity she is doing. You are a really friendly, kind and helpful member of our class Ayda and we are super proud of you!**

## Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)



Maths

In Maths this week, the children have found a third of an amount and used their knowledge of fractions to shade shapes as well as identify how much of a shape is shaded. We looked at equivalent fractions and now understand that two quarters is the same as one half as well as many other examples. The children used greater than and less than symbols to compare fractions, noticing that although the denominator may be greater, the fraction is smaller. For example,  $\frac{1}{2}$  is greater than  $\frac{1}{3}$ . After half term, we will revisit addition and subtraction as well as multiplication and division.

English

This week the children have been authors and taken part in our 'BIG WRITE' sessions to create their own stories based on 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. They have thought of some very imaginative ideas! They created their own front covers to accompany their story and are very proud of the outcome. We are going to make the stories into a class book and hope to share these with other classes in the future.

## Topic

As our topic 'Beside the seaside' comes to an end, we revisited all the learning we have done over the last few weeks and summarised this. The children looked back at the questions that they thought of before we started, and we found the answers to any outstanding ones such as how many seaside towns there are in the UK and why the sea goes in and out!

After half term, our topic will be 'Invention of the World Wide Web' and will begin with the text 'When Charlie McButton Lost Power' by Suzanne Collins. A detailed breakdown of learning will be sent out after the half term break.

A huge thank you for all your support this half term and I hope you all have lovely break!

Spellings and weekly homework will be set each Wednesday.



**Star of the week: Jacob for concentrating so well this week and making the right choices!**



## Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week Zagreb class have worked incredibly hard on writing their Victorian stories. They came up with their own criteria and most children managed to make sure they included what was asked of them.

In Maths, we have started our topic of money. We have made a shop and the children have taken it in turns to become the shop keeper; counting money and working out how much change they needed to give.



In Clarborough Curriculum this week, the children learnt all about Dr Barnardo's incredible work and how this still helps people today.

Over the half term it would be great if you could find time to listen to your child read at home. Everyone has been working really hard in their daily VIPERS and guided reading sessions and after the half term they will be taking their Star Reader quiz again on Accelerated Reader to hopefully see an increase in their ZPD.

It would also be really beneficial if you could show your child some of our currency/money. Although we are focusing on this in school at the moment, some children do not recognise our coins and so cannot find an amount i.e. can you make 15p? (use a 10p and a 5p not a 15p coin). Also, after the half term we will be moving on and looking at time. In particular, recapping o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to and then moving on to the Year 3 objectives of finding time to the nearest 5 minutes. The children love it when they ask "how long until playtime?" and I respond with "playtime is at 10:45" and they then count how long is left themselves. This is a great way to promote their time knowledge and independence too!



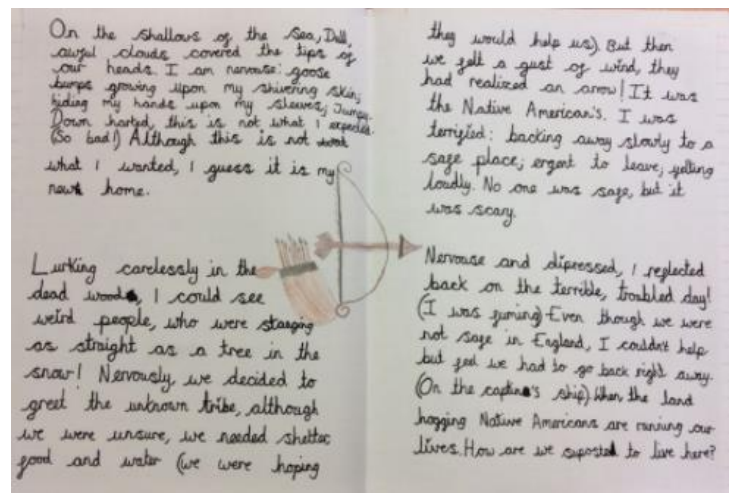
**Stars of the week: The whole class for working so hard on their stories!**

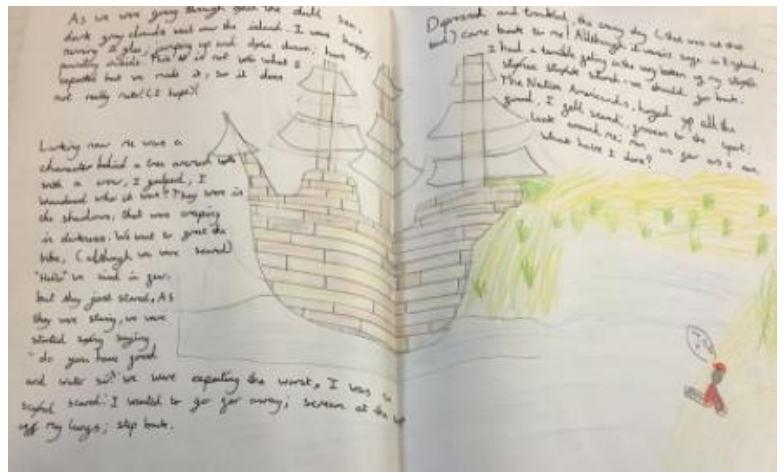
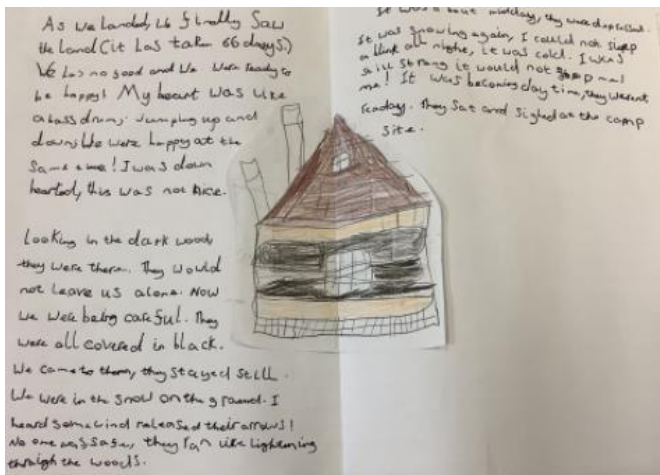
### Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)



This week, the children have continued to work super hard and have kept up the momentum of their learning. We have continued to focus on 'time' during Maths and started to apply knowledge of time to different reasoning and problem-solving questions. It would be great if over the holidays you continue to ask your child what the time is and use simple worded questions such as; If dinner is ready in 45 minutes, what time will it be? These questions will really help them to strengthen their understanding.

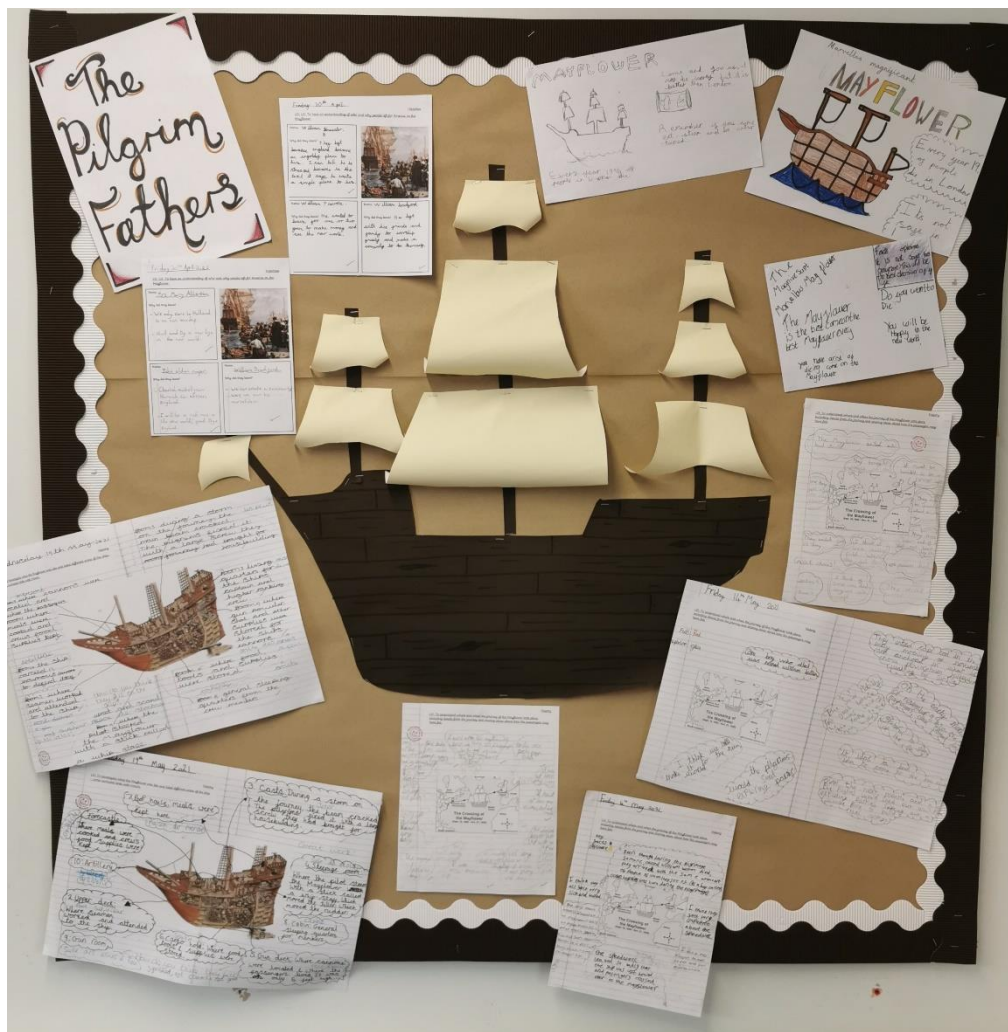
In English, the children have continued their missing chapter piece of work, and I am proud to say they have all produced such amazing work! The children have taken their time to also produce some lovely artwork relating to their chapter - Well done Year 4!





The children have learned some fabulous French this week - looking at their family members and being able to identify when we use 'Mon, Ma or Mes'. The children even had a go at recording themselves on Seesaw - please take a look! They were trying their best to use the correct pronunciation and answer questions about how they are feeling, their age, where they live and if they have any brothers or sisters.

In Topic, we have finished 'Pilgrim Fathers' and created some brilliant facts on what it was like for the Pilgrims when they arrived in America and understanding the impact they had on America. They also looked at the important role William Bradford had to play on the voyage to America.



After half term the children will be starting their new topic 'Amazing Americas'. They will be learning about North and South America in more detail. In English, they will begin their new genre of persuasive writing. We will be looking at powerful speeches and how travel and tourism use persuasive devices to encourage people to travel.

Year 4 also enjoyed some maggoty ship biscuits baked by Ruby – delicious!



**Star of the week: Logan for always trying so hard in everything he does!**

**Smashers: Izzy, Ayda, Sarina, Freya, Luke, Anya, Saffron, Katrina, Maddie, Emilia, Ruby, Molly, Joey, Gracie-May, Leah, Finlay**

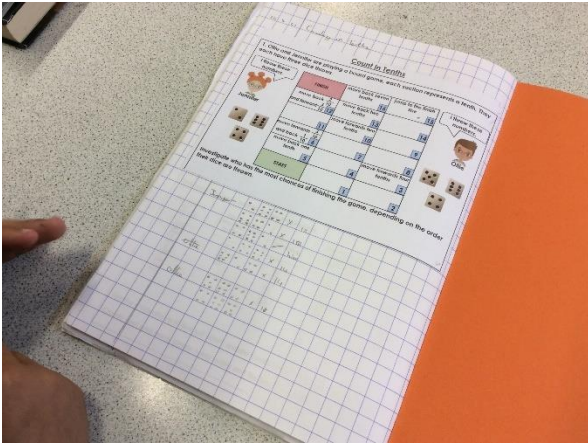
### **Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)**



This week, the children in Caracas Class have been busy showcasing their learning from this half term all about ancient Egypt. They have been working hard on their own self-chosen projects and have been very creative in their choices. We have had: PowerPoints, artwork, a play, a song and a card game to name a few. Keep a look out on Seesaw for your child's finished project.

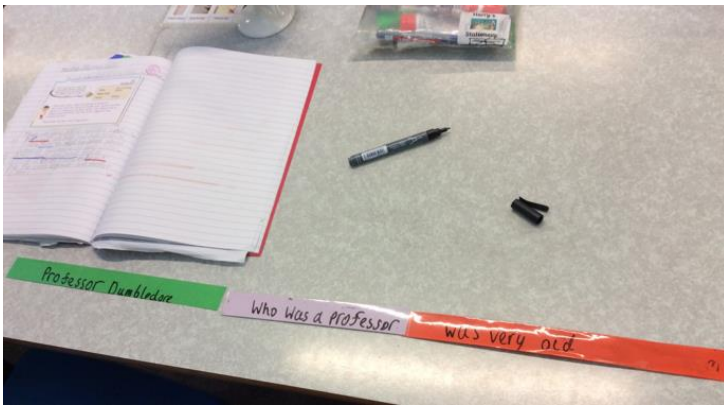
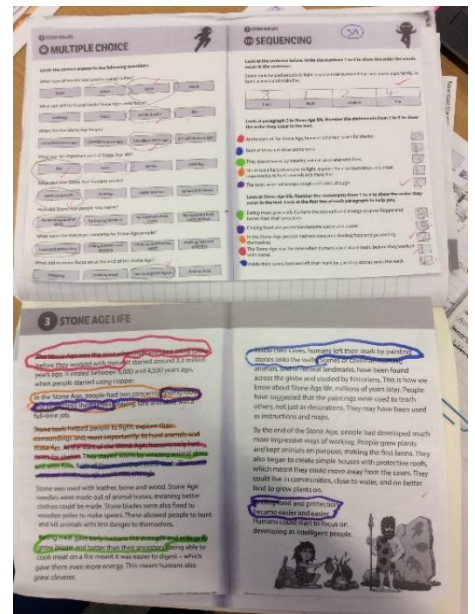
In between the rain showers over the last few weeks, the children have been learning to play lacrosse with Ben and are now able to throw, catch and pass the ball with some accuracy as well as block or tackle an opponent.





In Maths, we have learned about tenths as a fraction and solved some tricky reasoning questions and problems in this area.

In English, they have been consolidating their SPAG skills in the areas of parenthesis, commas, adverbials and relative pronouns. The children have also enjoyed testing their knowledge of these SPAG skills by completing the quizzes on Spelling Shed.



After half-term, our new topic is called 'Raging Rivers' and children will be learning about why rivers are so important to the towns and villages that have developed on their banks. By looking at the features of rivers, and the natural and human ways that rivers change over time, children will explore the life stories of rivers. Children will learn the names and locations of the major rivers of the UK and the world. In the first week back, they will be locating the key rivers in the UK.

In Science, we will be learning about properties and changes in materials and this will begin with comparing materials.

In English, they will use the text 'River Story' to explore the use of adjectives and noun-phrases in description before writing their own river poems.

In Maths, the children will continue to look at fractions and decimal equivalents.

Our French Unit will look at irregular verbs.

Our Computing Unit will explore data handling; creating graphs and pie charts to present data in different ways.

A few weeks ago, Class 5 pupils helped Miss Mayhew and Mrs Beswarick rescue an injured hedgehog from the playground.

The hedgehog was passed to Sue from Seventh Heaven Hedgehog Rescue who took care of the female until she was well.

Happily, on Thursday, the hedgehog was brought back to us and released.



I hope you all have a wonderful half-term break and fingers crossed the sun will make an appearance!



**Star of the week: William and Jason for their creative and imaginative project and excellent collaboration!**

**Smashers: Freddie, Chloe, Amelie, Harry, Rose, Harriet, Lexi, Olivia, Sienna, Lily, Jason, Jack, William, Jenson, Ruben, Cameron, Joe, Luke, Ava, Hera, Harrison**

### **Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)**



In English this week, the children have been working on writing their persuasive application letters to Beowulf asking to be his new sidekick. We have had lots of different skills on offer from being a trainee magician, superb personal chef, being the fastest in all the land to being so strong they once beat Thor in an arm-wrestling match!

In Maths, the children have been exploring the world of shape and space. We have been using the practical resources to explore the properties of 3D shape and the polygon shapes to make nets with Mrs Cowell-Clark.

The children have spent their afternoon sessions this week making and decorating their Viking helmets. Each child designed their own unique helmet and then constructed it using Mudrock. We also looked at how stereotypes can change our perception of history and people.



After half term, we are going to begin writing a detailed non-chronological report based on discovering different types of dragons.

In Maths, we are going to start looking at converting between fractions, decimals and percentages as well as calculating a percentage of an amount.

In Topic, we are going to use the computers to find out about Viking home life and we will try to discover if they were the horrendous, bloodthirsty warriors, we all think they were or if there is a different side to their history.

In Science, we will be looking at the evolution of species across the globe as well as the process of childbirth.

Amongst all of this, we will also find the time to play some games, sing some songs, solve puzzles, riddles and conundrums!

And let's not forget... back from their well needed break the GLOCK BAND ARE BACK TOGETHER. Kicking off their Summer 2 tour sessions with Mrs Cowell-Clark.

Remember - Minds are like parachutes, they only function when they are open.



**Star of the week: Reuben for a phenomenal effort in his Maths and English, producing a superb persuasive letter. His work ethic and creativity this week have been superb!**

**Smashers: Emilia, Olivia, Zara and Daisy**

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

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Last day of Term**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Half Term**

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Children return back to school**

**21<sup>st</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> June – Forest School week**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Sports Day**

**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 Austin and his football team, Manor FC, who received the Kickstart YFL Festival Winners Under 7s Award and the Kickstart YFL Season 2020/2021 Under 7s Award. The team was invited to Leicester FC for a tournament as a try out for the Academy and Austin scored the winning penalty – Great work Austin!

A huge well done to Henry who completed his Learn to Swim Level 4 Award in swimming this week – Great work Henry!



A huge well done to Belle who completed her Stage 1 Learn to Swim Award this week – Well done Belle!

## Local Community News

Clarborough and Welham IT Group are hopefully re-opening their IT classes next month – 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 ([www.clarborough-welham.org.uk](http://www.clarborough-welham.org.uk)) – 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:

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/Course/94346391-46cd-4faf-8a2d-0f02b21a17c3>

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 [office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk)

**This information is taken from the daily update received from the Department for Education:**

**Asymptomatic testing information for parents and adults in households with children at school or college**

NHS Test and Trace announced that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing.

Test kits can either be collected or ordered online, as set out below. Schools should not give test kits to parents, carers or household members and should not order more test kits for this purpose. Secondary school and college students will continue to access testing through their school or college.

Please share the information below with your parent networks to help answer any questions they may have. Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. Parents and other adults in households with children at school or college, who do not have symptoms, can now access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are [different ways](#) for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site – anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online – please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.