

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been such a fantastic week in school and this has only been improved by the early spring sunshine, meaning the children have been able to make use of all our outdoor space.

Our playground works to improve the soft pour areas in the EYFS playground and the main playground begins on Tuesday next week. Pentagon Play have had the skips delivered ready for the work to start and we will keep you updated on their progress next week.

As you are aware, 2022 marks the Queen's Golden Jubilee. Here at Clarborough Primary School, we will be celebrating this very special event during the week of 23rd May as this is the last week of the Summer 1 half term. You will also note that an extra bank holiday has been given to the public to celebrate this occasion. As it says further on in the diary dates section, this means that school will be closed on Monday 6th June 2022 and children will return from their May half term break on Tuesday 7th June.

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 'Phone Scams'.

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.



Recycling



We are continuing to recycle old pens, crisp packets, cans and old batteries in school. Please send any recycling into school with your child. **We are now also recycling used/empty printer ink cartridges!**

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 Spring Term 2. 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.

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!



Please turn off your engines and considerate parking



Please turn off your car engines whilst waiting in the village hall car park and on Hillview Crescent. This is more environmentally friendly and considerate to those around them.

Further, for those parking at the village hall, please can you ensure that you park your vehicle appropriately and in the correct parking spaces provided to ensure that other parents can get in and out of the car park easily.

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.

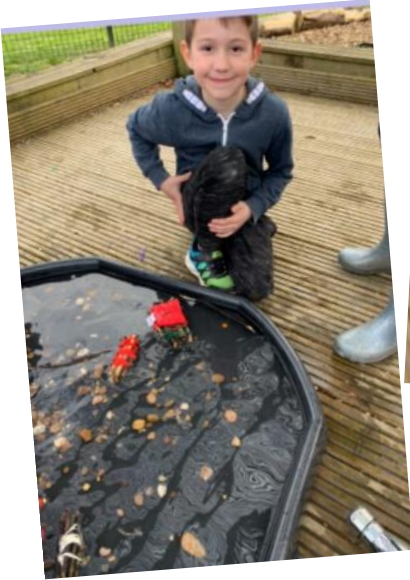
Red Nose Day – Thank you!

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who donated to our Red Nose day. We raised an amazing £139.28 for this worthy charity!



Forest School Club

Week 5 Activities: This week the children foraged for sticks and built mini rafts. They used secateurs to cut the sticks to size and then they used different types of wools to tie and weave their rafts together. Finally, they tested their creations on the water and held a mini race. Well done everyone!



Bird watch of the week



Great spotted woodpecker

Woodpeckers are mainly black and white with red at the back of their heads and below their tails. They have strengthened tail feathers that help them balance against the tree. Young birds have a red crown and fluffy feathers. They eat insects, seeds and nuts. If you find a small black and white spotty feather in a woodland it is probably from a Woodpecker.

Fact: Woodpeckers can drill through solid wood to make a nest hole or to find tasty insects to eat. They do this by pecking up to 20 times per SECOND. So why don't they get a headache? They have very strong necks and a long tongue that wraps right round inside their head which helps cushion their brain.

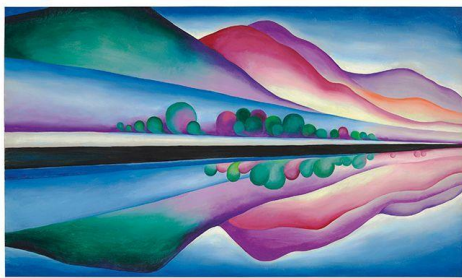
Nursery and 30hrs (Frida Kahlo)



Another busy week in Nursery learning about farm animals. Everyone was intrigued to learn about the milking process! We have taken part in various crafts and have learnt how to sign lots of animals in Makaton. I am beyond proud! As we prepare the older members of the class for full time school, we are encouraging them to work more independently at simple tasks and they are coping brilliantly. It's lovely to hear them chatting together.



Next week, we will be thinking about Easter. I can't believe it's the last week of term!



Reception (Georgia O'Keeffe)

This week the Reception children have been learning about farm animals and their babies, and have continued to talk about a farmer's job being to grow lots of different sorts of food for us to eat. We have talked about where our food comes from before it gets to the shops and looked at some different types of farms, like mushroom farms and fish farms.

We have also talked lots about Mother's Day and why it is important for us to say 'thank you' to our mummies for all the lovely things they do for us and for how they take care of us. The children made some beautiful cards and wrote how much they loved their mummies - more than rainbows, more than unicorns, more than toys, and even more than cake and chocolate!

Next week, we will be learning about the festival of Easter and why it is so important to Christians.



Star of the week: Lola-Rose for working hard all week, being so creative and her fantastic independent writing!

Year 1 (Joan Miro)



This week, the children have been learning to tell the time to o'clock and half past the hour. They have also been learning the tricky job of drawing hands on a clock to show time. There has been lots of discussion about seconds, minutes and hours.



In English, the children have decided what could be hiding inside Mr Postmouse's parcel.

The children have also been finding out about the life of Nelson Mandela as well as about apartheid. Next week is assessment week.



★ Star of the week: Jenson for making really good choices and having a great attitude to learning this week. Miss Green has noticed how hard you are trying with this!

Year 2 (L.S. Lowry)



This week the children have been planning their fact files about the Olympic Games. In Maths they have been using addition, subtraction, multiplication AND division.

The children have also been using atlases to find the flags of a range of countries.

Next week, is the children's opportunity to 'show what they know' and finish their fact files. It is also assessment week.

★ Star of the week: Ella for her enthusiasm and focus on her learning!

Year 3 (William Morris)



This week in Maths the children have been partitioning to help them understand the concept of division. In Art, they have been designing Mayan masks.

In English, the children have written Mayan-based stories with a moral and used their typing skills to publish them.

Next week is assessment week and they will also be computing Easter-based activities as well as showing us 'what they know.'



Star of the week: Jacob for your fantastic effort in Art, creating a brilliant mask and for always doing your best in Maths!

Year 4 (Salvador Dali)



It has been another busy week in Year 4! They have made their African bags supported brilliantly by Mrs Herdman and Mrs Osborn. In English, the children have finished their survival stories and are publishing them using Word.

Next week, is their reading celebration where the children will 'go to Africa' as part of their reward for reading regularly. There are also assessments going on.



Star of the week: Penny for persevering with her sewing this week!

Year 5 (Banksy)

The children have been working so hard to complete their sci-fi story. They have also been learning about the Earth's movement around the sun. Fraction work has continued this week – they have been adding fractions!

Next week, the children will be completing some Easter activities as well as showing their learning about space. They will also be completing their assessments.



Star of the week: Katrina for her very detailed and descriptive sci-fi story!



Year 6 (Lucian Freud)

Year 6 have been busy in Maths this week learning about reflection, rotation, translation and volume. In English, the children have produced an explanation text to describe their 'cracking contraptions.'

In PSHE the children have been discussing the importance of respecting identity as well as finding out more about healthy lifestyles.

Next week, assessments will be completed, the children will continue with the DARE programme and they will be writing kenning poetry.



Star of the week: Alfie for his superb attitude towards his Maths this week!

Dates for your Diary....

Monday 28th March to Friday 1st April – Assessment Week

1st April – Last Day of Term

Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April – EASTER HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 19th April – Children return back to school

Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday, school closed

Friday 27th May – Last Day of Term

Monday 30th May to Monday 6th June – HALF TERM

Tuesday 7th June – Children return back to school

Friday 27th May – Golden Jubilee Celebrations (details to follow)

Wednesday 8th June – Class Photos and Year 6 Leaver Photos

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.

A big well done to Grace who received her Duckling 3 Certificate in swimming this week – Great work Grace!





A huge well done to Flynn who gained his 10m Rainbow Distance Certificate and badge in swimming this week – Great effort Flynn!

School Vacancy



Be the best you can be!

March 2022

After School Club Assistant

We wish to appoint an After School Club Assistant to assist the After School Club Supervisor in the management of wraparound care from April 2022 to July 2022 initially.

It is anticipated that the successful candidate will be offered a NJC Grade 1 salary, although this is currently subject to job evaluation, with the actual rate of pay being confirmed at interview.

The post will require the post holder to work for 8 hrs per week and will be required to work for 39 weeks of the year, (covering term time only).

The club runs from 3:30pm – 5:30pm, Monday to Thursday and is based in the main hall at Clarborough Primary School. Children who attend the club are offered a snack which is prepared by the After School Club Supervisor and Assistant.

The After School Club Assistant will work together with the After School Club Supervisor to ensure the safety, general welfare and proper conduct of pupils during this period, supervising snacks and engaging children in a range of activities which will be based on play and relaxation, not school work.

If you are interested in applying please ask in the office for an application form or visit our website. Applications should be completed and returned no later than Friday 1st April at 10 am.

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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

CDCA is seeking additional Trustees

Clarborough & District Community Association (CDCA, Charity Commission 502076) is seeking new Trustees to help power forward. The Board of Trustees is particularly keen to hear from anyone who has financial experience who can guide our charity to accessing funding for the long-term maintenance and development of our hall building.

We are also keen to engage with younger members of our community to enable us to make our hall available for weekend events such as children's parties as well as other special occasions. The Tree Lighting Fair, which took place in December last year, was a really good example of what can be achieved when our community works together.

If this sounds interesting, please contact Greg on 01777 700 918 or clarboroughwelham@gmail.com or David on 07501 803918 or dawsondavid@yahoo.com

For more about CDCA and also forthcoming meeting dates, please go to our community website's **Village Hall CDCA** page.

**Greg Herdman
Chairman, CDCA**