



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

24th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a great first week back after half term. A huge 'congratulations' to the five pupils who went to Retford Oaks yesterday and won the Boccia tournament. We're so proud of you!

Our new Foundation Stage shed had been installed in the playground. Thank you to Shedcetra for such a speedy installation. It's great to have such a sturdy and secure space for storage.

You will have received a Parentmail with a Parental Code of Conduct attached. This will help us to continue the good working relationships between school and parents and to ensure the continued positive attitude of mutual respect and understanding. Please take some time to read this. It will also be available on our school website shortly.

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 'Spotify' and 'Artificial Intelligence (AI) Solutions.'

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 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.

Star of the Week

This week's Stars of the Week have been picked by their own class teachers.

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:



Reception – The whole class!

Year 1 – Jake

Year 2 – Jorgie

Year 3 – Harry

Year 4 – Rowan

Year 5 – Eddie

Year 6 – James



Well done everyone!

Founders Day

Wednesday 22nd February was a very special day to the Scouting movement known as Founders Day. This is a day when they think about each other in different countries and remember the founders Lord and Lady Baden-Powell whose birthdays were both the 22nd February.

This year, Clarbrough Primary School were pleased to support this and allowed children who attend Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides to come to school wearing their uniforms on this day. It was so lovely to see so many children wearing their uniforms, showing their badges and discussing their experiences!





Rainbow Grammar Session

On Friday, 10th March, we would love for you to join us for our first drop-in session on Rainbow Grammar. The session will be led by Mr Potter in the school hall and will start at 9.05am and finish at approximately 10am.

The aim of the session is to give parents and carers a greater understanding of what Rainbow Grammar is and how we use it in school to develop your child's understanding of grammar, sentence structure and punctuation in order to become fantastic writers.

It will be a hands-on session where you can ask any questions that you may have about writing and Rainbow Grammar. As well as this, you will get to see exactly how we use the scheme and resources that come with it which enables us to teach increasingly more complicated grammatical elements to the children in a way that they understand and can use immediately.

We look forward to seeing you there!

World Book Day – Friday 3rd March



To celebrate World Book Day on Friday 3rd March, this year's theme is Bedtime Stories. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading and so we would like your child to bring in their favourite bedtime story book.



As the theme is Bedtime Stories, we would like all the children and staff to wear their pyjamas on this day.

If your child does not wish to dress up, they are more than welcome to come to school in normal school uniform.





During the day, the children will take part in lots of activities linked to reading, they will share their favourite stories with others in school and a special visitor will be coming into each class. Every child will come home with a £1 book token and, inspired by Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, one lucky child from each class will receive a Golden Ticket! The Golden Ticket can be exchanged for a reading book of their choice from Wonderland Book shop in Retford.

Confident Parenting Group

Mrs Dean is running another Confident Parenting session on Wednesday 1st March, 9am – 10am in the school hall.

All are welcome!

Boccia

We did it! On Thursday afternoon, five children went to Retford Oaks and competed in a Boccia competition. We are delighted to announce that we qualified through to the Bassetlaw finals! On Wednesday 15th March, our Boccia team will compete in the Bassetlaw finals for a chance to qualify for the County finals – Great work #TeamClarbrough!



Nursery and 30hrs: Percy Shaw Class



Fee Fi Fo FUN! What a week of beanstalks and adventure we have had in Nursery. From crafts to climbing, the children have loved the story and all the magic of goodies and baddies. We have also enjoyed pancakes, watching the new shed being built, and helping our friends to balance on the wall. This important stage of giving help to, and accepting help from, their peers instead of an adult is very important and didn't they do well! Next week, we are thinking about the story of Rapunzel, focusing on how hair grows and how we need to take care of it.



Reception: Mary Anning Class



This week in Mary Anning class, it has been all about pancakes! We have read 'Mr. Wolf's Pancakes' and 'The Runaway Pancake' and then changed the last story to make up our own about a Runaway Cupcake. On Pancake Day we tasted pancakes with three different toppings and then made a chart to show our favourite one - chocolate spread was the winner. The children had lots of fun practising flipping pancakes - especially when one landed on someone's head and another landed on top of the lights! We have been talking about the ingredients needed to make pancakes and have learnt where those ingredients and other types of food come from.

The children have begun using their 'rainbow writing' books this week - these are books that the children can choose to write in whenever they want to, but they have to do their writing independently. Mrs. Turton and Mrs. Adamson were amazed by how brilliantly the children did and how keen and confident they were to write all by themselves.

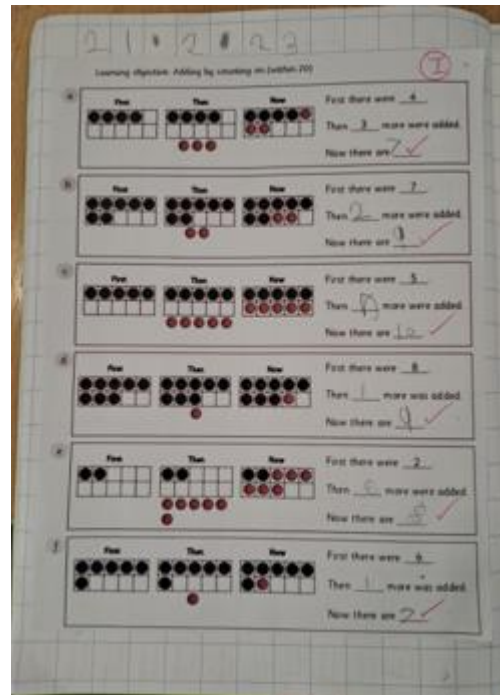
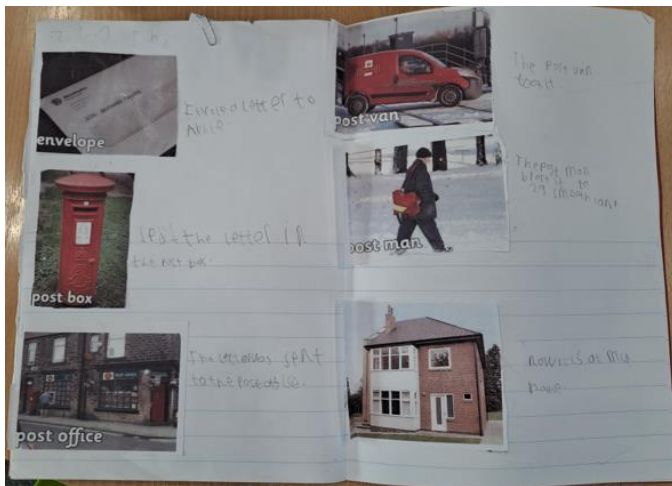
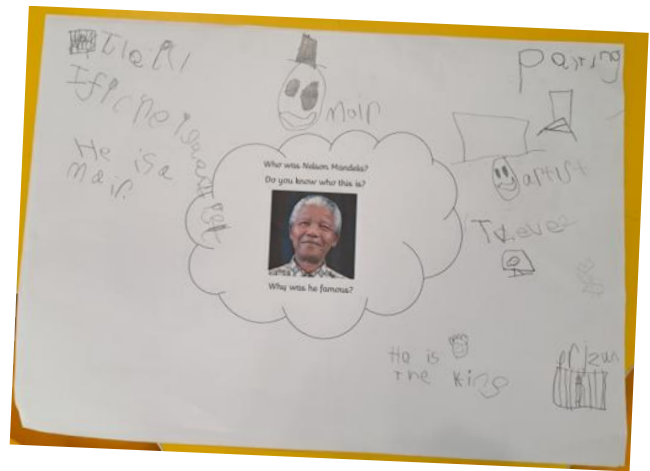
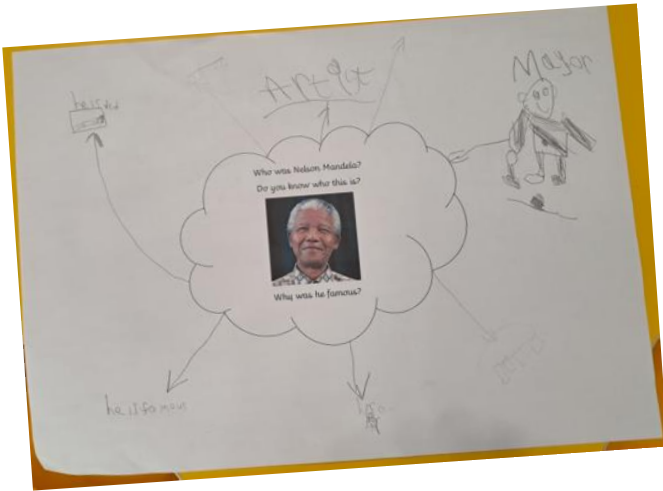
Next week, we will be reading the story of 'Supertato', sharing our favourite stories and talking about story characters and settings, ready for World Book day on Friday 3rd March.



Year 1: Garrett Morgan Class



In Maths this week, Year 1 have been adding numbers (within 20) and subtracting two numbers using the part, part whole model. In English, the children have been introduced to a new story 'Here comes Mr Postmouse'. They have also been sequencing the journey of a letter. In Clarborough Curriculum, Year 1 have been looking at and talking about Nelson Mandela and why he was famous. In Science, the children have been observing a day in Spring looking at the wind direction, weather and temperature and in DT, they have been evaluating different fruit by tasting it. In Computing, they have been placing instructions in the correct sequence.



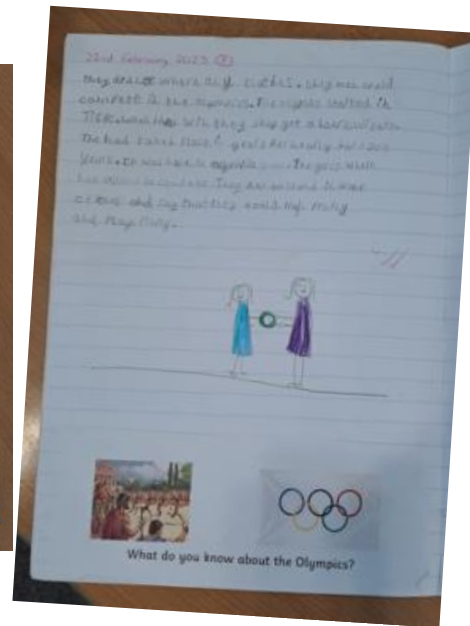
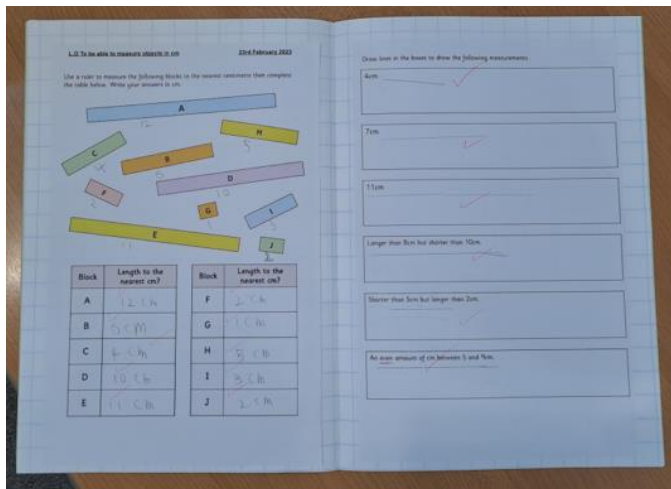
Next week, Year 1 will be subtracting two numbers in Maths and in English, they will be writing a letter of complaint.



Year 2: Professor Brian Cox Class

This week, Year 2 have been learning how to half numbers in Maths and wrote up their instructions on how to make a pancake in their English lessons. In Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been learning about the Ancient Olympics and in Computing they learnt how to present data using ICT. In French, the children have been learning how to say 'I can..' and a range of verbs in their sentences.

Next week, in Maths, Year 2 will be learning how to measure using standard units such as centimeters and look at how to find a quarter of an amount using fractions.

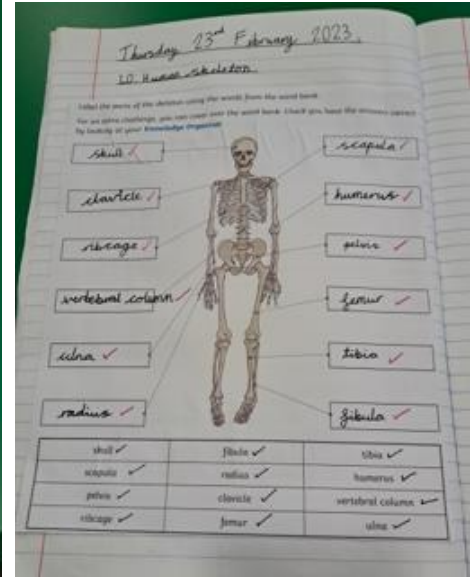
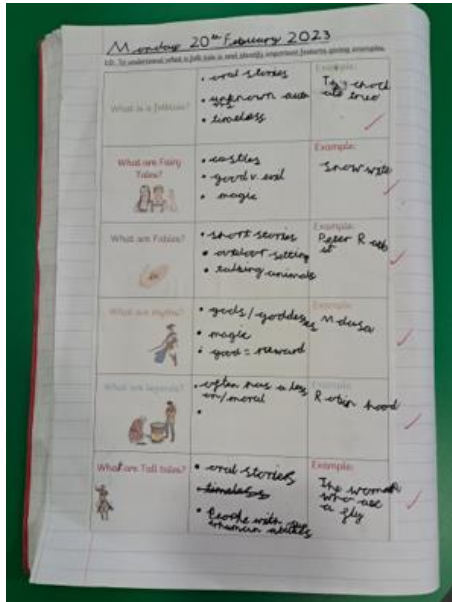


Year 3: Mary Jackson Class



This week, Year 3 have been looking at time and in particular 'o'clock' and 'half past'. They have been continuing with their 2-, 4- and 8- times tables and comparing statement and related calculations in Maths. In English, the children have been looking at folk tales. They have been looking at what they are, the differences between a folk tale and a fairy tale and finding details in 'The Little Red Riding Hood.'

In Clarborough Curriculum, the children have been discovering facts about the Maya Civilization and the Maya people and in Science the children enjoyed looking at human skeletons and how we move. In Art, Year 3 have been designing a Maya mask and in Computing, they have enjoyed creating digital art. In PE, the children have been learning how to dribble using a hockey stick!



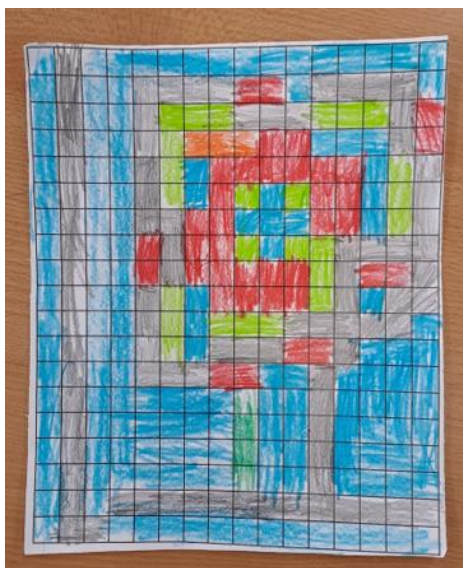
Next week, Year 3 will be multiplying 2 digits by 1 digit and in English, they will be looking at different characters and their different points of view. In Science, the children will continue their work on the human body and look at how bones and muscles work together to create movement.

Year 4: Richard Leakey Class



This week, Year 4 have been counting fractions, subtracting fractions from a whole, looking at fractions greater than 1 and re-visiting equivalent fractions in Maths. In English, the children began looking at explanation writing. The children will be writing about how we hear and looking at using casual conjunctions and how things can be explained in logical steps. In Claborough Curriculum, Year 4 looked at the layout and development of Roman villas and in Geography, they discussed how settlers would choose a suitable place to live. In Music, the children began to learn their new song 'Lean on Me' and in Science, the children were introduced to the topic of Electricity. The children looked at

appliances that might use electricity in their homes. In Art, they have started on their Roman mosaics and in Computing, their Scratch racing games have been completed.



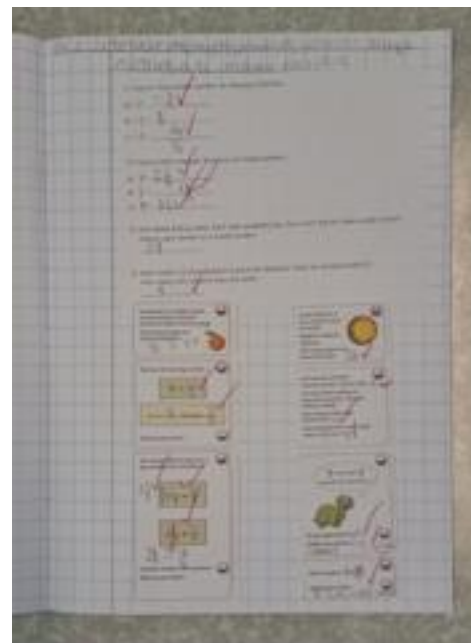
Next week, Year 4 will be looking at the explanation text 'Until I met Dudley' and will then create their own versions. In Maths, they will calculate quantities and fractions of a quantity together with recapping time word problems. In History, the children will look at Hadrian's wall and understand its importance. In Computing, they will be looking at online safety and in RE, the children will be learning about the holy book and scripture.

Year 5: Hedy Lamarr Class

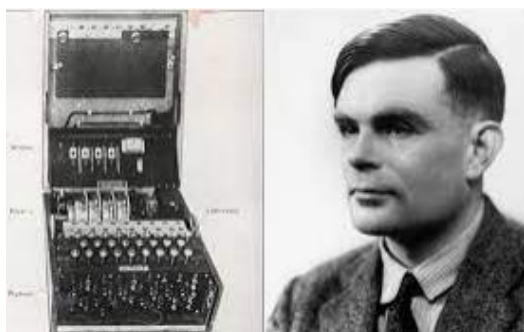


This week, Year 5 have been converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and mixed numbers to improper fractions. In English, the children have been introduced to their new book 'The Jamie Drake Equation' and looking at punctuating speech correctly. In Science, they have looked at evidence suggesting that the Earth is spherical rather than flat and in RE, the children have looked at whether God intended Jesus to be crucified or whether his crucifixion was a consequence of events. From this, the children were then able to relate this to their own life events and discuss whether they have control over all their actions.

Next week, Year 5 will be looking at their spellings and their favourite stories in readiness for World Book Day on Friday.



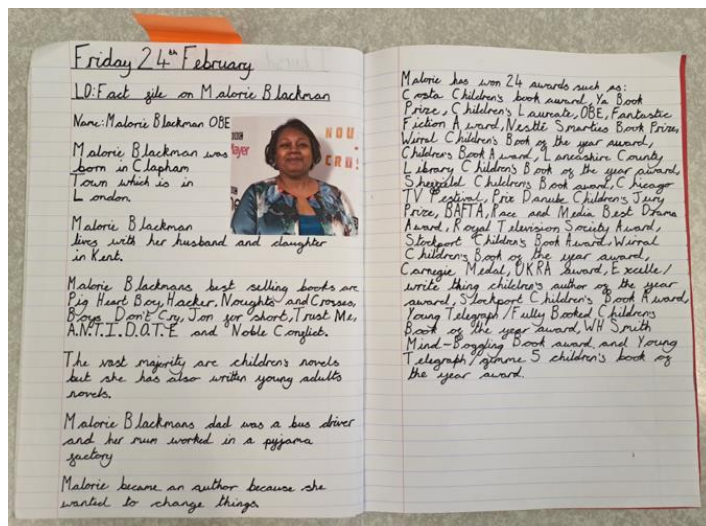
Year 6: Alan Turing Class



This week, Year 6 have been looking at the area of triangles including right angled triangles. They have also been looking at volume by counting cubes. In English, the children started their new class book 'Pig heart boy' by Malorie Blackman, answered their VIPERS questions and made predictions about what the story might be about and inferred details from the images and text.

In Clarbrough Curriculum, the children looked at copper mining during the Stone Age and in PE, they played field hockey. Year 6 have been continuing with their DAaRT work with Officer Lindsey and in Science, they have been looking at blood circulation. In Computing, they continued with their HTML Programming to create their own web pages.

Next week, Year 6 will be looking at volume and converting measures in Maths and writing up a diary entry from Cameron's perspective focusing on cohesive devices. In Clarborough Curriculum, they will be looking at Stonehenge and how it has changed from the Stone Age to present.



Dates for your Diary....

- 9am – 10am, Wednesday 1st March – Confident Parenting Session with Mrs Dean, school hall
- Thursday 2nd March – Swimming lessons for Year 4 start
- Friday 3rd March – World Book Day – Bedtime Stories Theme (See Parentmail)
- 9.05am – 10am, Friday 10th March – Rainbow Grammar session with Mr Potter, school hall
- Monday 13th to Friday 17th March – Assessment Week
- Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March – Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 1)
- Friday 17th and Monday 20th March – Year 5 Bikeability Course (Group 2)
- Monday 20th March – Height and Weight measurements for Reception and Year 6

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.

Well done to Ashton who gained his Lilac Certificate and Medal in Gymnastics this week – Awesome work Ashton!



Congratulations to Willow who received her 10m Rainbow Distance Certificate this week – Amazing work Willow!

A big well done to Alfie who received his Level 1 Little Splasher swimming certificate – Brilliant work Alfie!



Well done to Henry who has received a huge number of medals and trophies as part of his football team, Retford FC Juniors. Henry has received a trophy for his team winning the league, for his tricks, shooting hard and a second-place medal for the most goals scored – Fantastic work Henry!

A big well done to Reggie who received his Man of the Match medal for Retford United for playing so well - Super work Reggie!



Congratulations to Edward who received his Stage 4 Learn to Swim Award – Brilliant work Edward!



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

Section Leader

Help deliver skills for life.

Would you like the chance to go camping, climbing, potholing, lead community projects while helping prepare young people with skills for life? As a section leader you will do all of this and more, using your skills and learning new ones.

As part of 1st Clarborough and District Scout Group, you will be able to plan and deliver a safe and exciting programme for young people, making sure every young person gets the chance to spend at least one night away each year.

You'll use your energy and creativity to help young people have fun, develop their potential and earn a wide range of badges and awards, including the prestigious Chief Scout Awards. Of course you won't have to do this alone – a team of supporters, parents and the young people themselves will help you plan and deliver the programme. But it's your enthusiasm and sense of fun and adventure that will inspire them.

1st Clarborough and District Scouts is part of the Scouts, offering fun, friendship and skills for life to over 460,000 young people across the UK.

Interested?

Contact Christie on 07906579102 or email clarboroughscouts@gmail.com



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If vehicles are 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.



**Do not park on school
keep clear
markings**

Our CCTV car is now out patrolling Nottinghamshire schools to help discourage dangerous and inconsiderate parking.

Motorists caught parking on restricted areas near schools or in bus stops will be issued with a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) of £70.

Parking on school keep clear markings can seriously endanger road safety for children. Please only park in marked areas and help us keep our school children safe.

nottinghamshire.gov.uk/roadsafety 

The image is a vertical poster with a green header containing the Nottinghamshire County Council logo. The main background is a photograph of a white CCTV patrol car parked on a road with yellow 'KEEP CLEAR' markings. The text is arranged in a clear, readable layout, with the main message in large, bold yellow letters. A small icon of a CCTV camera is positioned next to the text about the patrol car. The bottom of the poster features the council's website URL and a logo for the Nottinghamshire Parking Partnership.