



Be the best you can be!

Weekly Newsletter

W/e 13th November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week has gone by here for #Team Clarborough and I'm sure you'll enjoy seeing all the hard work that's been going on in our class bubbles in this week's edition.

As we enter week two of the second lockdown, I would like to thank you for continuing to follow the rules.

Please be aware when you are dropping off and picking up your child that you are maintaining social distancing. There are lines marked on the pathways to help you keep your distance and it would be most helpful and considerate for other parents if you move away from the entrance once your child is in the care of their teacher.

Please remember that if you are unwell yourself and you are sent home from work to isolate while waiting for a test/ test results, you should collect your child from school immediately and not wait to collect at the end of the day.

Below is a link to the updated document from the Department for Education, 'What parents and carers need to know about schools during the Coronavirus' that was sent to schools yesterday.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=12%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

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

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

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

And IT support queries should be sent to: itsupport@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

Emotional Well-Being

Here at Clarborough Primary School we actively encourage our pupils to take care of their emotional health and well-being in order to build healthy minds and bodies that will help them to *'be the best they can be'*.

Mrs Cooper has created an Emotional Health and Well-Being page on our school website showing how integral this is within our school and all the different programmes the children follow, for example, Take Five. There is also a list of useful links to organisations involved with emotional health and well-being such as Young Minds, CAMHS and NCC Family Service.



You can find this information on our school website under Clarborough Curriculum > Emotional Health and Well-Being. Please take a few minutes to have a look and maybe have a go at some of the activities on there – the Mindfulness Finger Labyrinth is great fun!

Remembrance Day



On Wednesday, Remembrance Day, the whole school took part in a two minute silence to remember all those who have fought and died in the line of duty for our freedom.

All of the children stood beautifully in the playground while Mrs Cowell-Clark read a poem and then listened to the 'Last Post'.

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who kindly donated and bought our poppy appeal merchandise. This is a fundraising campaign we believe passionately about and we were very happy we could still support it during this difficult time.

Eco Warriors

We have now signed up to a new recycling scheme run by Plastic Free Retford. They have kindly donated to us a recycling bin and some sacks so we can recycle cans.

The cans will then be traded for trees to expand our garden area. So please start saving your fizzy drink cans and bring them to school for recycling! Help us plant some trees around our school grounds!





National Online Safety

Every week, National Online Safety (NOS) produce informative posters highlighting a specific online item. This week they have mentioned the Xbox Series X/S.

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.

Children in Need



Another huge 'thank you' to everyone who again has donated today for Children in Need. It has been great to see the children in their non-uniform outfits! The children even enjoyed a special 'Pudsey' chocolate cookie with their school lunch – delicious! We will count up your donations after the buckets are brought in after school today and let you know how much we have raised for this worthwhile charity.



House Points

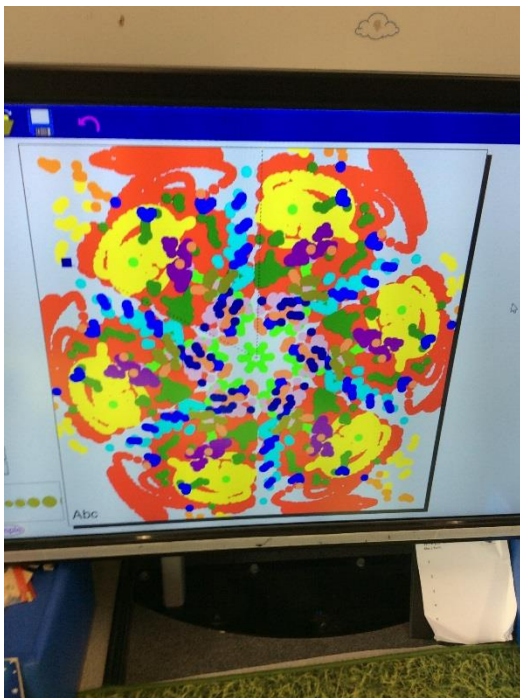
This week has seen the return of our house points system. A safe way has been arranged for house points to be collected around the school so we are able to keep you informed about the totals over the term. Children receive house points here for a range of reasons – especially when they demonstrate themselves *being the best they can be!*

1st  Wilberforce 307 pts	2nd  Pankhurst 227pts	3rd  Attenborough 194 pts	4th  Hawking 143 pts
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Great start Wilberforce!

Nursery and 30hrs Bubble Group (Dakar)

This has been a very busy and exciting week in Nursery as we have been learning about the Hindu Festival of Lights – ‘Diwali’ which takes place this year tomorrow! We have turned our role play area into a Hindu mandir (temple) and the children have loved going into it to listen and dance to the Indian music. They have enjoyed pretending to be Hindus by carefully removing their shoes - and are getting really good at putting them back on again!



We also decorated our hands with mehndi patterns, made clay divas and Rangoli patterns. We continue to appreciate all that technology can bring to our school and this week the parents have been given a virtual tour of the classroom, both when it was beautifully calm before the children came in and again when it was buzzing with action! It has also been good to keep in touch with the children who are self-isolating at home. I am just so proud of my class - they are all going from strength to strength!



Nursery Stars of the week:
Maggie for always being so enthusiastic!
Harry G for amazing us with his wealth of knowledge and skills and having such a positive attitude!





Reception Bubble Group (Suva)

This week in Suva class we have been learning all about the Hindu festival of Diwali. Diwali is a festival of light which is celebrated for five days every year in October or November.

We decorated our hands with mehndi patterns!



We also used powder paint and stencils to make Rangoli pictures which bring good luck!



The children made paper lanterns and diva lamps out of clay and then decorated them. Divas are used to decorate Hindu's homes and help Lakshmi, the Hindu goddess of wealth, find her way into people's houses.



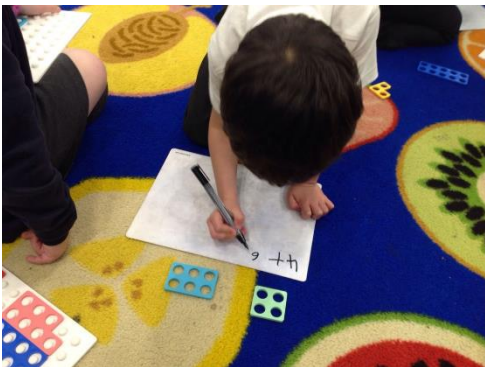
Mrs Dean made a Hindu mandir (temple) for us to go in - we had to take off our shoes first as a sign of respect, and then the children could play along with the music using the special instruments



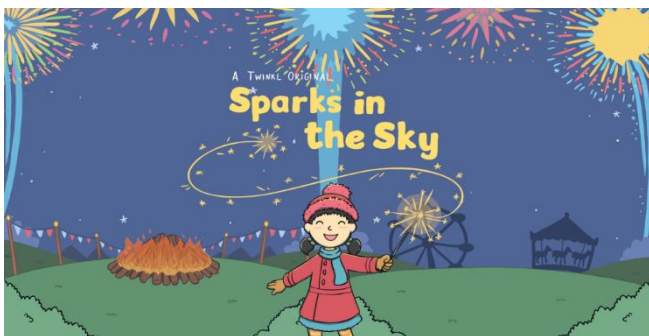
Reception Star of the week: Edward for his amazing reading!

Year 1 Bubble Group (Seoul)

Year 1 have had a brilliant week of learning. They have worked so hard this week - as always! In Maths, they have been working on their number sentences and in particular, their number bonds to 10. They have picked up this concept quickly and have really thought about the way we write out number sentences correctly. This week they have also used the Numicon shapes to help them consolidate their learning. We will continue to look at number bonds to 10 again next week. The children particularly enjoyed playing 'Number Bond Bang Bang' - It was great fun and the children had to really think about what they had learnt!



In English, the children have planned and developed their own poems based on Bonfire Night. It has been a great week for vocabulary as they children have really thought about the different senses we have and how to use them in their writing. They have been looking at adjectives and how they make sentences more exciting to read. Some children were even coming up with expanded noun phrases – WOW! We read the book 'Sparks in the Sky'. The children thoroughly enjoyed the story and used a lot of the ideas in their own writing.



The children have developed their typing skills again this week. Trying to use both hands was very difficult but the children tried their best and are definitely getting better and better at identifying and finding the different letters on the keypad!



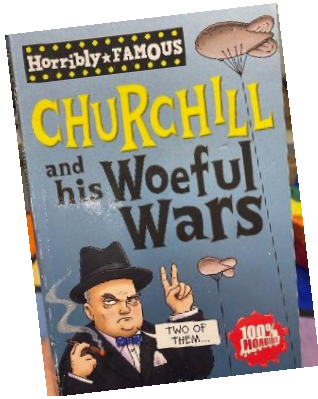
For Remembrance Day, the children watched a video clip of 'The Bunny in the Fields'. We talked about how the bunny felt at different parts of the video: before the war, during the war and after. The children understood the significance of the poppies and how they represent the different people who have fought in the war and continue to do so.

We created some beautiful pieces of work from our discussion using water colours.

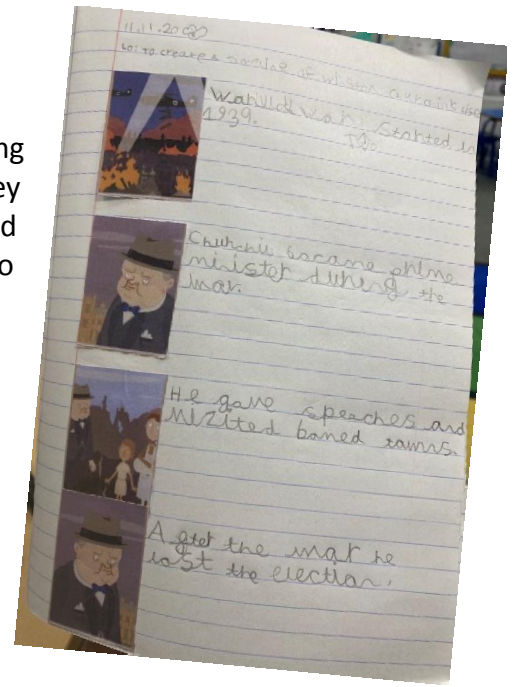


Year 1 Star of the week: Henry G for trying really hard with his learning and always doing the right thing!

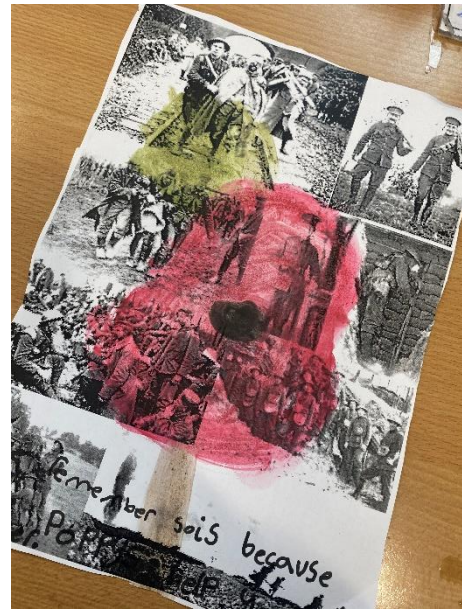
Year 2 Bubble Group (Wellington)



This week the children have enjoyed continuing their learning about Winston Churchill. They created their own timeline of events and found out more about his childhood by listening to 'Churchill and his Woeful Wars'.



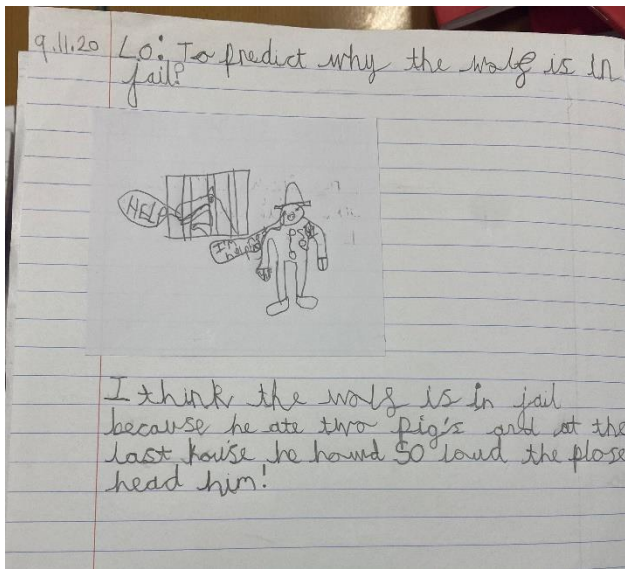
On Wednesday, they created their own Poppy art using pictures from World War One and watercolours. The children stood and remembered this time during the two minutes silence the school held.



Learning Objective: Representing numbers. To identify the number of tens and ones in a number. 10 + 1 = 20

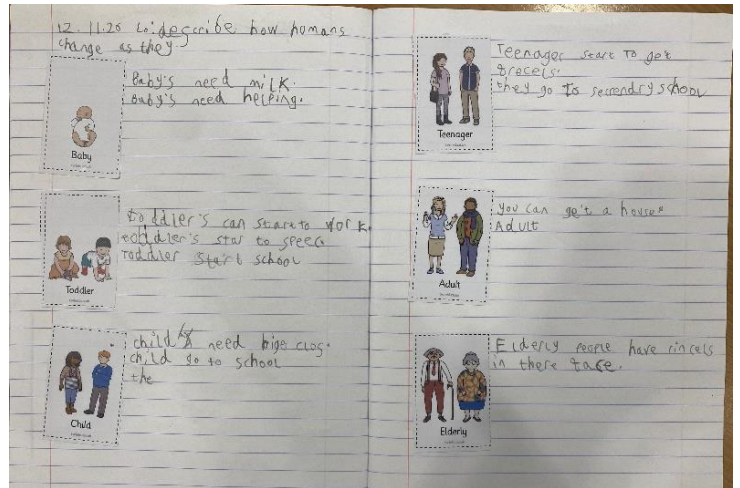
Build	Count	Complete
	45	There are 4 tens. There are 5 ones.
	28	There are 2 tens. There are 8 ones.
	61	There are 6 tens. There are 1 ones.
	4	There are 0 tens. There are 4 ones.
	88	There are 8 tens. There are 8 ones.

In Maths, the children have been reading and writing numbers to 100 and beyond, and counting amounts using their knowledge of tens and ones.



In English, they listened to the beginning of 'The Real Story of The Three Little Pigs' and wrote questions to Mr Wolf in jail, wondering if he really did eat any pigs and why he ended up in jail!

In Science, they found out about how humans change as they grow from a baby to the elderly.



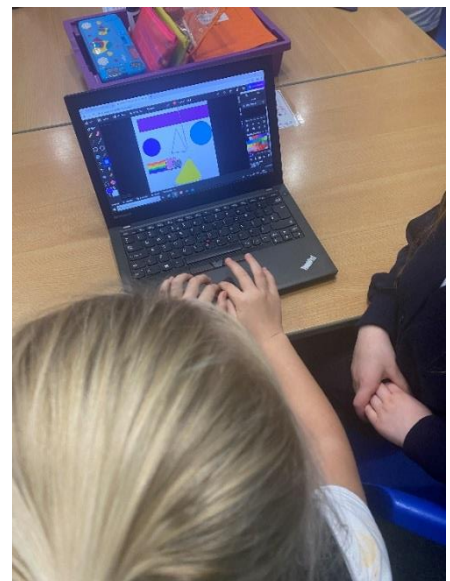
They are really enjoying our new class book 'Danger Gang' and are beginning to find out what super powers the children in the story have!

In Computing, the children creates shapes and used the fill tool to add colour!



They listened to and followed instructions to make their own sandwiches.

Next week we will begin to learn how to tie shoelaces!



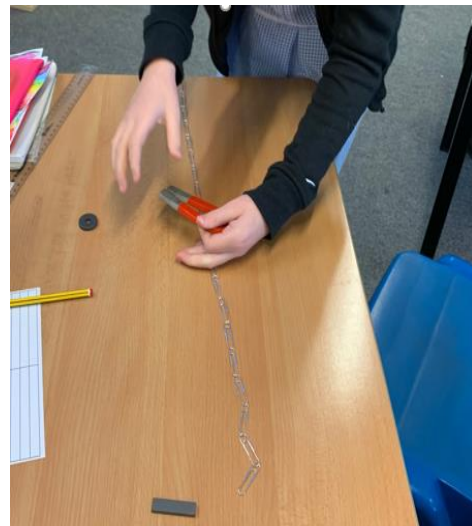
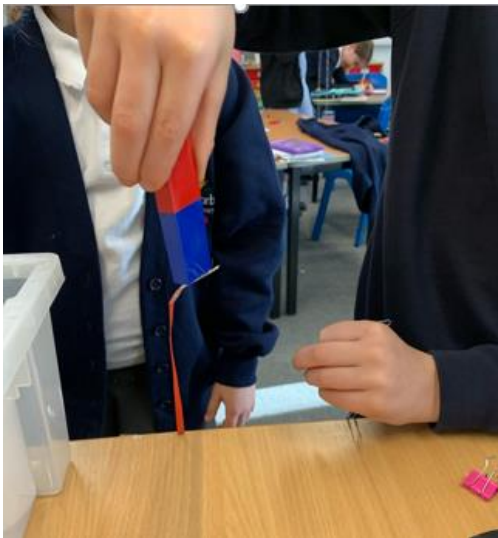
Also next week, the children will write a letter to Mr A Wolf in prison and look at different points of view including that of Mrs Pig and Alexander Wolf. In Maths, they will compare and order objects and numbers, and count in 2's, 5's and 10's. In Topic, they will identify countries involved in World War II and locate these on a world map. In Science, they will find out and describe the basic needs of humans and animals and identify the ways that different animals meet these basic needs.



Year 2 Star of the week: Bess for always being ready to learn and pushing herself to be better every day!

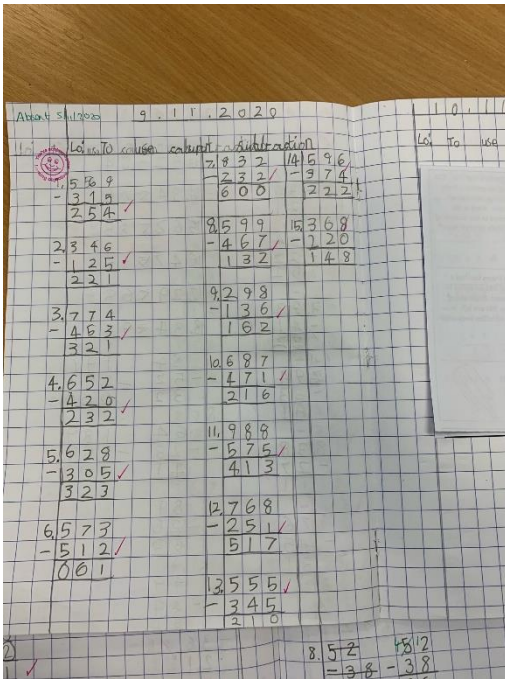
Year 3 Bubble Group (Zagreb)

This week Zagreb class have enjoyed learning about the Earth beneath our feet. They explored the Earth's layers and found out about its magnetic field. They then really enjoyed investigating magnet strength and learnt all about working scientifically by demonstrating their prediction skills, listing their equipment and recording their results as well as ensuring they conducted a fair test.



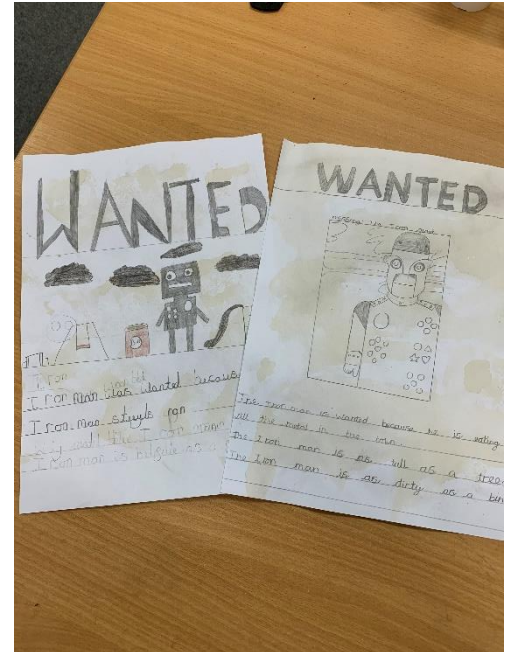
In Art, they took inspiration from Remembrance Day and created the most amazing art pieces!





In Maths, they continued to secure their subtraction knowledge and recapped exchanging. They all remembered our rhyme "If there's more on the floor, you knock next door!"

In English, they created some great 'Wanted' posters for The Iron Man. They explored different settings using their senses and then used these to create some great setting descriptions based on The Iron Man.

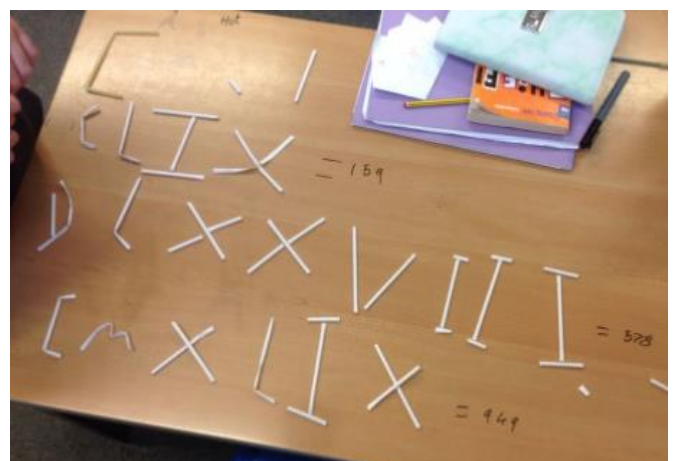


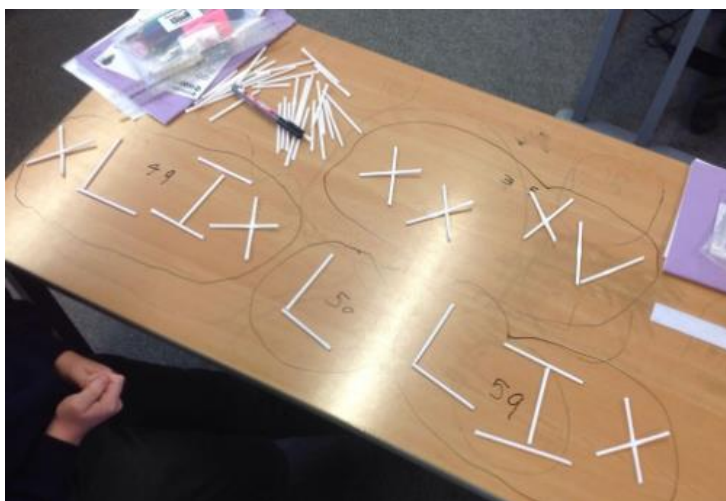
Next week in English, Zagreb class will be writing a short chapter for The Iron Man. This will be a great opportunity for them to showcase their new writing skills! In Maths, they will be solving both addition and subtraction problems and in Clarborough Curriculum, they will be exploring different types of rock and making an explosive volcano!

★ Year 3 Star of the week: Frank for his super Maths knowledge!

Year 4 Bubble Group (Riga)

This week in Year 4, the children have been learning about Roman Numerals up to 1,000. The children then created their own Roman numerals with concrete resources such as straws and dienes.





In Science, they have continued their learning on the Digestive system - getting very messy when recreating the process using items such as: tights, orange juice, crackers and bananas! They were able to explain the process as it was happening and understood what each part represented.



In English, Year 4 had a go at writing an alternative ending to a chapter of 'The Demon Dentist' – there were some fantastic pieces of writing!

Worried, disturbed, trembling, poor Algie laid helplessly, digging his nails into the arm of the old, tattered, surgery chair. As slow as a sloth, willing to climb a small tree, the ancient dentist shuffling towards the target who was crying in pain. Algie, who was still awaiting his gate, began to wonder whether this was in a terrible nightmare will ever end. Mr Erstwhile, who was now getting a toggie to give to Algie, was now giving the toggie to Algie to get rid of that tooth.

Do you need to repeat that?

Propping his old bony leg upon the tattered surgery chair. "Don't worry Algie, I will get this rotten tooth pulled out for you!" muttered Mr Erstwhile. A ~~an~~ unconvincing smile spread across Algie's face (inside, however, he was wishing this nightmare was going to be over). The moment Mr Erstwhile pulled, the more ways of pain came to Algie. He began to pull harder, stronger, faster, harder until....Crack! He did so it. It was out. No more pain. "How does it feel?" asked the dentist like an olympian post who just finished a 6 mile race. After the horrible experience, Algie knew he should feel relieved however it soon became apparent he was still in extreme pain Mr Erstwhile had pulled out the wrong tooth!

In Art, Year 4 were learning all about different watercolour techniques. They were able to see the effects of using masking tape, salt and blotting. They plan to paint their dragon eyes using watercolours next week



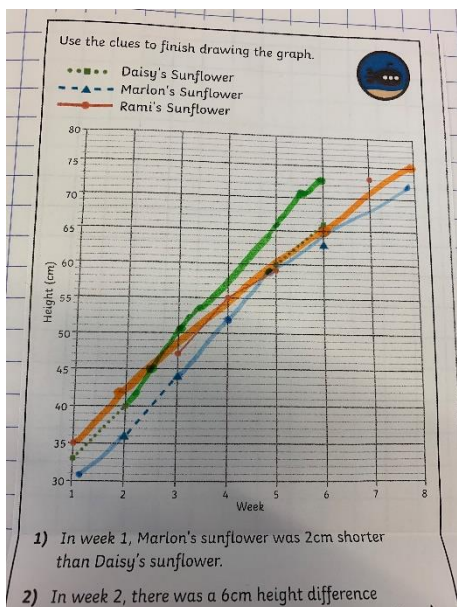
Next week, Year 4 will be looking at and learning about the different types of teeth and what their function is. They will also be consolidating their addition skills (including exchanges) using the written method for 4 and 5 digit numbers, as well as using decimals. In English, they will be continuing to use 'The Demon Dentist' to plan another piece of exciting writing!



Year 4 Star of the week: Charlie for being so enthused in every lesson, always having his hand up contributing ideas and for creating some excellent pieces of writing!

Year 5 Bubble Group (Caracas)

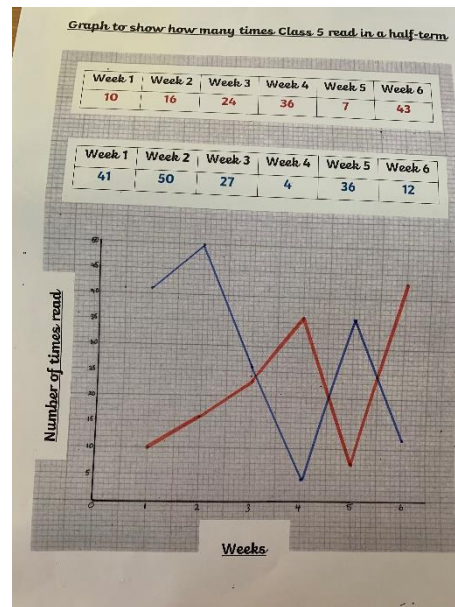
This week, Caracas have thoroughly enjoyed reading more of our class text 'Charlotte's Web'. With multiple copies, the children are always engaged, following the story and reading aloud. They have been practising their inference skills; thinking about why the characters behave the way they do and finding evidence in the text to support their ideas.



In Maths, they have learned how to read, interpret and draw line graphs, which has been challenging but also very rewarding.

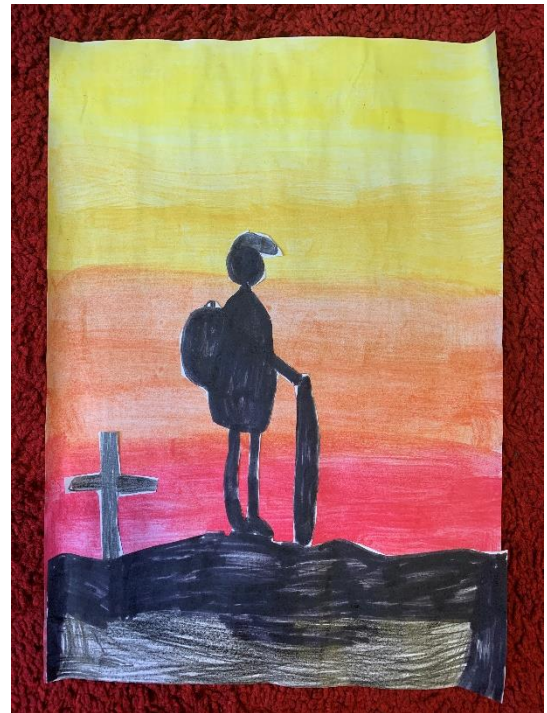
They have learned the importance of using a ruler to plot points on their graph and join points together. They have created their own graphs using information from tables and spotted mistakes in other people's graphs.

I am really proud with how resilient they have been!



In Science, Caracas have been learning all about puberty and the changes that happen to their bodies during this time. Miss Mayhew and Mrs Beswarick have been very impressed with how maturely and sensibly they have listened, asked questions and discussed what they have learned.

On Wednesday, as well as participating in a two minute silence, they created some silhouettes using water colours to create a bright background against which their silhouettes stand. Some really beautiful and powerful art work was produced.



Next week, they will be continuing their work on 'Charlotte's Web' by exploring the themes of the text. In Maths, they will be learning to read tables (including timetables) and in Science they will be exploring gestation and life expectancy. They will also be learning to log in to Office365 to ensure they are ready for learning at home, should it happen.

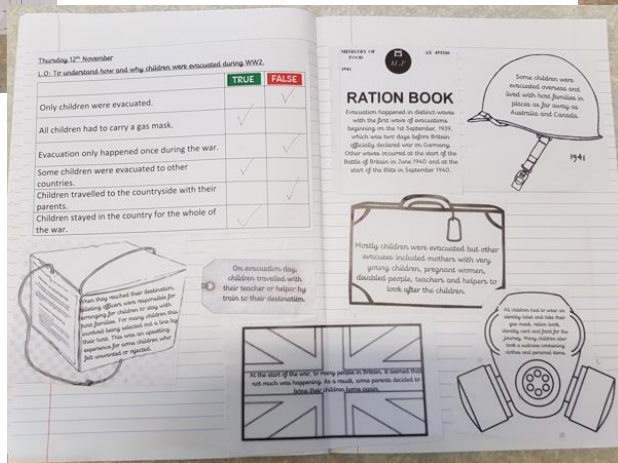
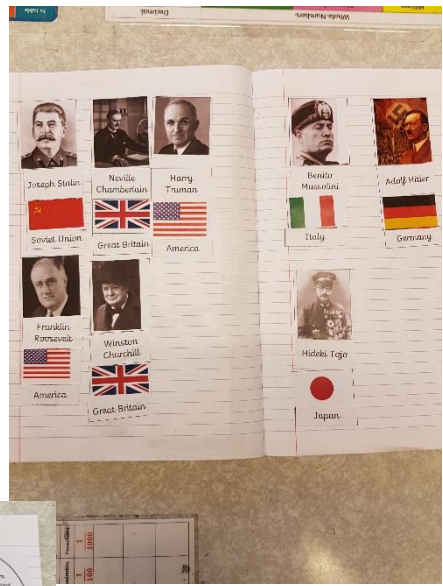
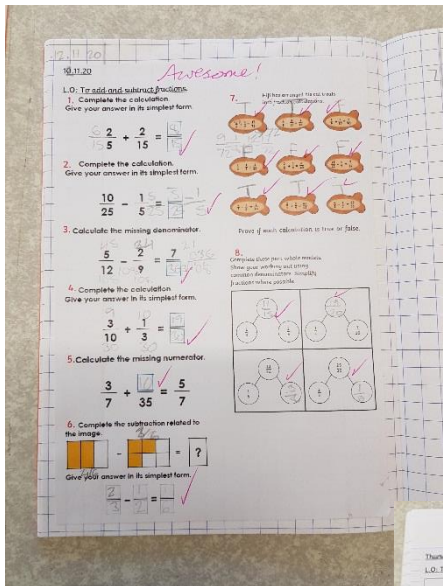


Year 5 Star of the week: William B for his enthusiastic and conscientious effort with learning this week!

Year 6 Bubble Group (Havana)

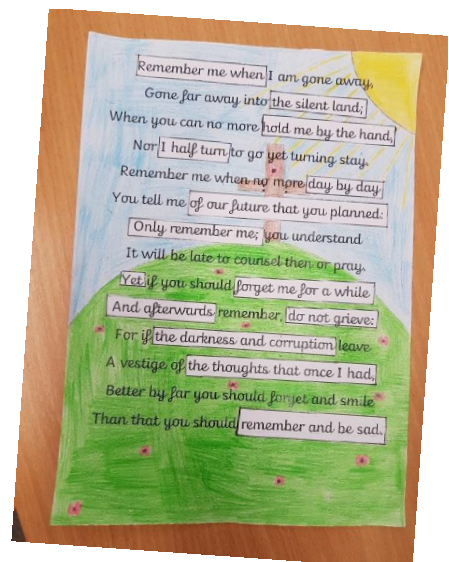
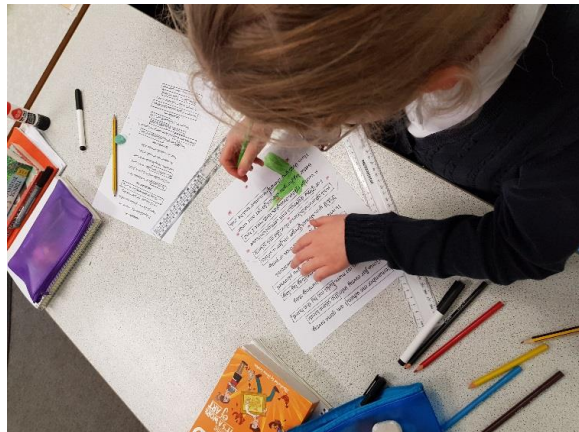
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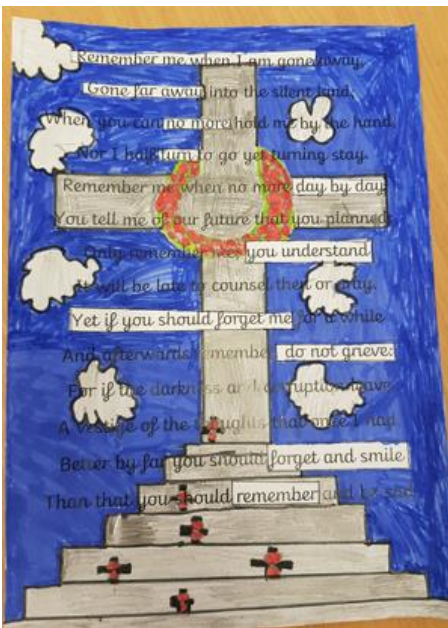
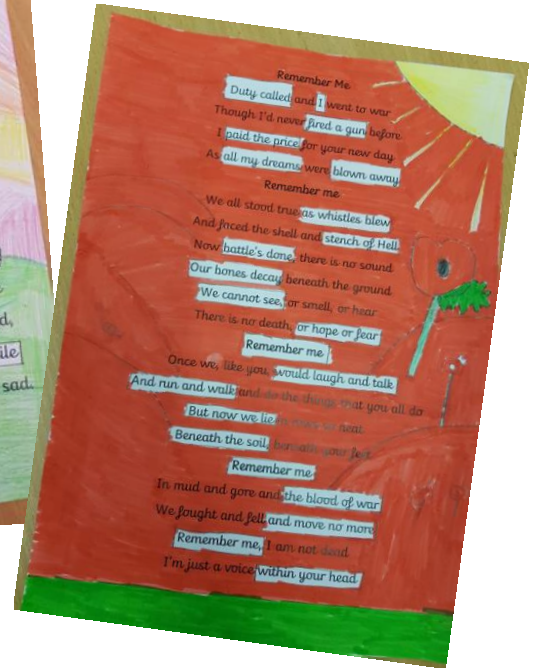
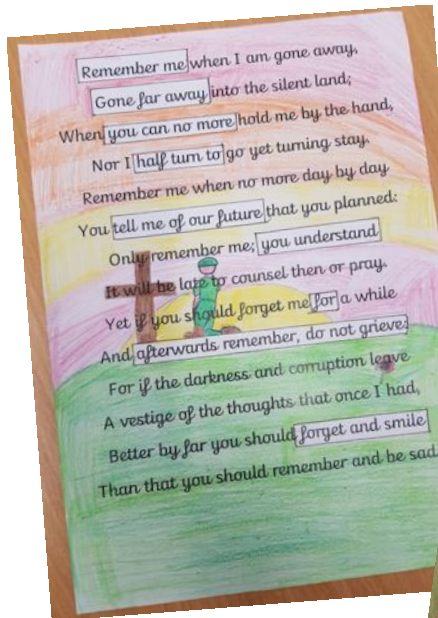
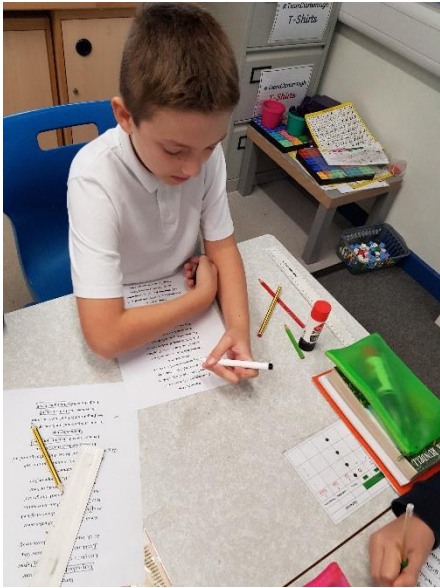
The children have been brilliant this work. They have fully understood how to add and subtract fractions. They all moved through the challenges with confidence and demonstrated excellent knowledge. Next week, we will be focusing on multiplying and dividing fractions.



English - Blackout Poetry

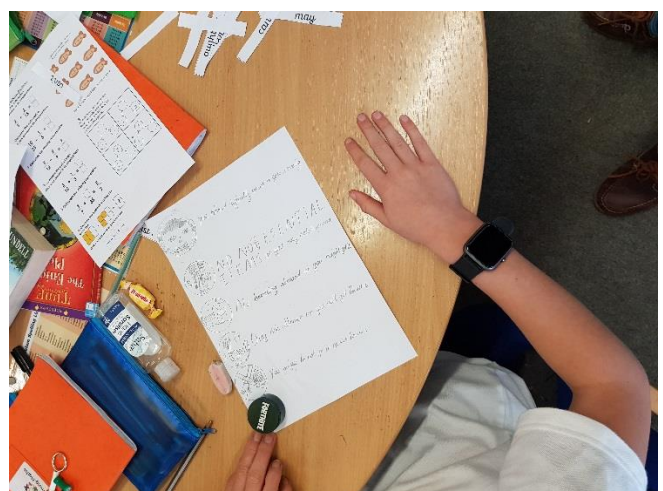
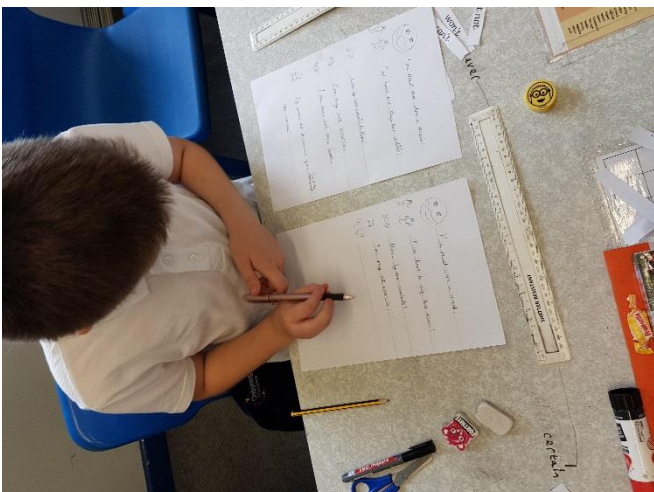
Year 6 showed their respect by creating blackout poetry. Using existing poetry, the children had to create a phrase that made sense and showed their understanding of what Remembrance means to them. They then designed and drew a background on the poem. I think you will agree they look amazing!

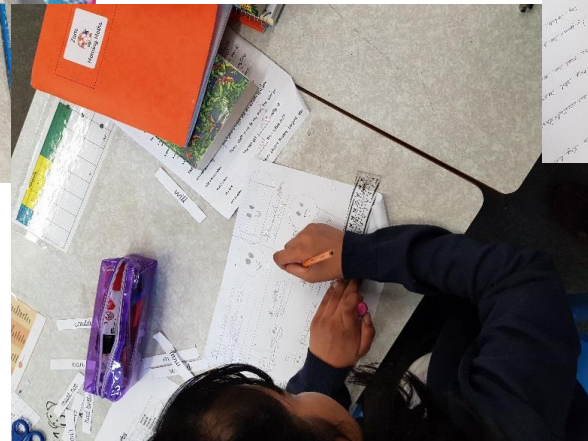
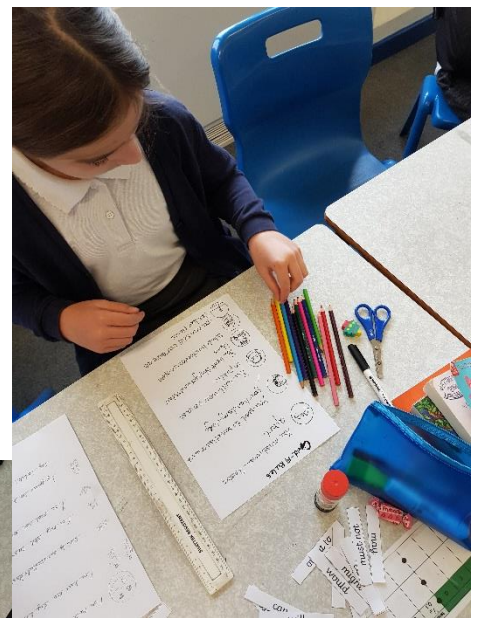




English - Modal Verbs

This week the children have been developing their understanding of modal verbs. As part of this, they had to use a modal verb to create rules for the Coronavirus.





Clarborough Curriculum - WW2

Year 6 have furthered their understanding of which countries were involved in the war and discovered some interesting facts about evacuees. Next week, we will be looking at rationing.

Year 6 have had a phenomenal week this week. I am really proud of all of them because they have all demonstrated great progress and maturity, they are really beginning to apply their knowledge and understanding. Keep up the hard work!!!



Year 6 Star of the week: Lucy for working tirelessly to improve her knowledge. She has demonstrated that hard work, determination and resilience really do pay off!

Out of School Achievements

A huge thank you to Jorgie who kindly donated some books to school! Jorgie had collected the books from Morrisons. The children will love reading them – thank you!



If you have any out of school achievements you would like to share with us to put in the newsletter, please forward your photos to office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk with a brief description of the award/achievement.

School Dates for your Diaries.....

December:

Monday 7th – Friday 11th December – Clarborough Christmas Tree Decorating Week

Friday 11th December – Virtual Tour of the Class Christmas Trees

Tuesday 15th December – All Class Christmas Nativities and Extravaganzas

Wednesday 16th December – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 17th December – Christmas Bubble Parties

Friday 18th December – Christmas Jumper Day



Breakfast club, wraparound care, 30hours and lunches need to be booked in and paid for at least one week in advance on Parentmail. If you have any questions or queries relating to Breakfast club and Wraparound please email Mrs Bennet on sbennett@clarborough.notts.sch.uk

If you have any questions or queries regarding 30hours and lunches please email Mrs Hardie on office@clarborough.notts.sch.uk Lunches must be booked in via Parentmail

Please note for all of those attending school, if your child is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, however mild, they should remain at home. Please follow the link below to find more information about this:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>

Local News

A message from Chris & Greg Herdman, trustees of Clarborough & District Community Association.

Did you know that The Clarborough and District Community Association (CDCA) that manage Clarborough Village Hall is eligible to receive donations from the AmazonSmile programme?

Since the launch of AmazonSmile in November 2017, UK charities have received more than £4.6 million in donations. Millions of customers support one of the more than 24,000 participating UK charities, ranging from PTAs and local pet shelters to major medical research and international relief organisations.

We have just registered CDCA with AmazonSmile which once you've registered with Amazon Smile is exactly the same as you've always shopped with Amazon.

Customers shop, Amazon donates: AmazonSmile is a simple, automatic way for anyone shopping online to support your charity - at no extra cost to you or them. When Amazon customers select our charity and shop at smile.amazon.co.uk, they will find the exact same prices, selection and shopping experience, but with the added bonus that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the net purchase price of eligible purchases to our charity. With the upcoming Christmas season, now is the perfect time to enrol our charity to receive donations.

To register with Amazon Smile on your PC or laptop, follow the simple steps overleaf... and many thanks for your support in these difficult times – every penny that you generate for CDCA's account will be invaluable in keeping our currently closed village hall financially viable.



On your PC or laptop:

- From your web browser go to: **smile.amazon.co.uk**
- Log in to Amazon in your usual way
- Click on the ≡ at top left of the screen.
- Scroll to the bottom of the menu that pops up at the left
- Click on Your AmazonSmile – this includes an option to select or reselect your chosen charity.
- To select **Clarborough & District Community Association**, just type 'clarborough' or enter CDCA's Charity Commission number: **502076**.
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