

Claybrooke Primary School Newsletter 04.10.24

Be safe, Be ready, Be respectful.

Welcome to the latest weekly newsletter.



Harvest Festival.

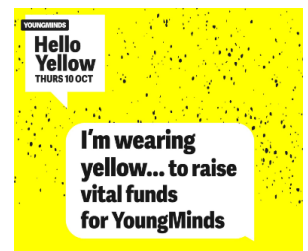
Thank you to everyone who came along to our Harvest Festival Service. Beautiful poems, prayers and singing by the children. The children all looked extremely smart. Well done everyone.

All of your donations are to be donated to Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank over the weekend. Thank you for your donations. If you would still like to donate, please drop any items into the school office. Thank you

Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day

On Thursday 10th October 2024, we are joining thousands across the country by raising money for Young Minds by saying #HelloYellow and are asking the children to wear something yellow.

This could be by wearing yellow socks, head bands, t-shirts, ribbons or anything yellow you can find in your wardrobe. A donation of £1 is suggested.



Parent Consultations. 15th & 16th October.

The booking system on Arbor opened earlier this week for you to book an appointment for the upcoming parent consultations taking place on the 15th and 16th of October. Please log into your Arbor account and book your slot.

I hope you have a lovely weekend

Thank you for your continued support.



Mr P. Rock
Head of School



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Well done to those who received certificates this week:

Excellent Work



Marley

Sawyer

Jodie

Bodhi



Values

Lily

Fred

Lillie Mae



Hot Chocolate Superstars: Eden, Dexter, Oliver, Bodhi, Nixon & Chloe.

Whole school attendance

w/e 04.10.24 88.76 %

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



Latest class news:

This week: Willow Class



EYFS have been super busy, their first Harvest festival meant learning lots of songs and actions which they all really enjoyed. To link in with Harvest time, within storytime they have been looking at the Little Red Hen, they all listened to the story and then acted it out taking it in turns to be the different characters. It was great to see them all reenacting the parts, using the actions and voices too. I think the children will agree that the best part of looking at this story was when we followed instructions of how to make bread, they were able to mix the ingredients together, describe how the dough felt and tasted and then waited very patiently for the dough to be cooked. The next day they were able to try lots of types of bread from around the world including their own.

Within maths they have been looking at subitising numbers up to 4, this gave them the opportunity to create a teddy bears picnic, the children looked around the classroom to find certain numbers of things to add them to the correct teddy and number.



EYFS have also been getting messy! They have been exploring colour mixing and have continued to learn about the Harvest festivities. Miss Poyner has been getting frequent visits into her classroom with children showing their writing in phonics! Their enthusiasm to show their proud work has received an ovation of applause from Years 1 & 2! Lots of class marbles have been rewarded this week for teamwork and encouragement!

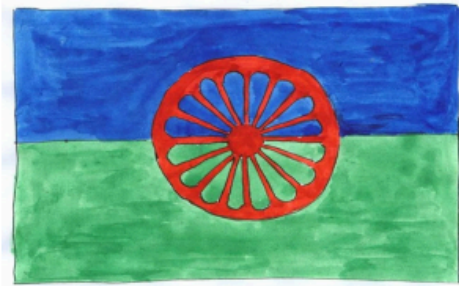
In Year 1 & 2, we have explored the changes in seasons. In English, we have been looking at setting descriptions. We went out into the playground to explore our senses and discussed what we saw, felt, heard and smelt. On our walk to the church, it was delightful to overhear the conversations the children were having with Oak class about this! The children then took these ideas to write sentences that included adjectives and expanded noun phrases.





Harborough District Children and Young People's Charity alongside
residents of Mere Farm presents:

Traveller's Tea



Tuesday 19th November 2024

3.30pm - 5pm at Claybrooke Primary School
Free event and all welcome

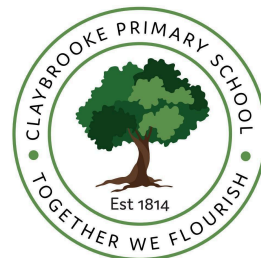
**Join us for some Traditional
Gypsy food, games & activities**

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(click on the links below)*

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Claybrooke calendar 2024- 25



Please see provisional dates for the upcoming academic year. (All dates are subject to change.)

Autumn Term 2024

Date	Event
Mon 07/10	'Energy Sparks' visit and workshops with KS2
Tues 08/10	Flu vaccination (in school)
Thurs 10/10	Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day.
Tue 15/10	Consultation evening (Invites have been sent out via Arbor)
Wed 16/10	African Dance workshops in school
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w/c 21/10	HALF TERM
Mon 28/10	School re-opens
Tue 29/10	Open morning for new starters 2025-26
Tue 29/10	Topic Showcase 2.30-3.00 *
Wed 30/10	School individual photographs
Thurs 31/10	PTA Spooky Discos (Willow 3pm - 4pm Maple and Oak 4:10 - 5:10pm)
Wed 06/11	Oak Class trip to Parliament
Tue 19/11	Travellers Tea event in the school hall. 3:30 - 5pm. All welcome. *
Thurs 21/11	PTA Christmas Craft 9 - 11:30am
Fri 29/11	'PTA 'Wear what you want' day. Bring items for Christmas.
Fri 06/12	PTA Christmas Bazaar (TBC) 5:30 - 7:30pm *
Wed 11/12	Claybrooke Nativity & Christmas Carols @ St Peter's Church 1:30pm (TBC)
Wed 11/12	Claybrooke Nativity & Christmas Carols @ St Peter's Church 6:00 pm *
Mon 16/12	Willow Class panto trip
Fri 20/12	Break up for Christmas holidays
	End of Autumn Term

Spring Term 2025

Date	Event
Mon 06/01	School re-opens
Fri 17/01	Young Voices Concert (Only for those signed up)
Tue 11/02	Consultation evenings
Wed 12/02	Consultation evenings
w/c 17/02	Spring Half-Term Week
Mon 24/0	School re-opens

Mon 24/02	Forest school begins for Oak Class
Tue 25/02	Topic Showcase 2.30-3.00 *
w/c 03/10	Reading Festival Week
Thurs 06/03	World Book Day: Stay & Read 8.45-9.15 *
Wed 02/04	Warning Zone trip. Y6 only
w/c 14/04	Easter Holidays
w/c 21/04	Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2025

Date	Event
Mon 28/04	School re-opens
Mon 28/04	Forest school begins for Willow Class
w/c 12/05	Y6 SATs week
Date tbc	Saffron Lane Athletics
w/c 26/05	Summer Half-Term Week
Mon 02/06	Start of Summer 2nd
Mon 02/06	Forest school begins for Maple Class
Wed 11/06	School Sports Day
Wed 18/06	Reserve Sports Day
Wed 02/07	Oak Class Production 2.00-3.00 & 6.00-7.00 *
Tue 08/07	Leavers' Assembly 9.30-10.30 *
Tue 08/07	Last Day of School Year
Wed 09/07	Summer holidays begin
Tue 26/08	School reopens for pupils

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IN-GAME CHAT

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Video games are continuing to grow in popularity – including, of course, among children and young people – and the emergence of gaming communities has been accelerated by the inclusion of chat functionality across many different titles. While in-game chat isn't inherently a bad thing, it can create some concerns about online safety and the people that children might be interacting with.

DIFFERENT TYPES OF CHAT

There are a number of ways that gamers commonly chat with one another online. As the name would suggest, in-game chat happens within the game itself. There's also party chat: a group voice conversation that console users can have with anyone on the same platform. This tends to be more commonly used by players who already know each other. Finally, many gamers – especially on PC – will chat via a third-party app such as Discord.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Whether it's text- or voice-based, in-game chat is frequently open to all players to use. Many games default to making it an opt-in function, but some don't: meaning a child could start seeing messages within the game from people they're playing with, regardless of whether they know those individuals or not. While most strangers won't necessarily have ill intent, there are some who may behave inappropriately when chatting to a child – intentionally or otherwise.

DANGER OF GROOMING

It's been reported that some young gamers have encountered older players online who pretend to be a lower age to manipulate children, sending gifts in exchange for chatting and sending photos. Just as on any messaging platform, it's good to advise young people to avoid speaking to strangers; emphasise that they shouldn't accept gifts from anyone online that they don't know.

BULLYING AND ABUSE

While some in-game chat can turn toxic because of how a match plays out, others turn that way because of people who engage in trolling – in essence, behaving in an offensive and abusive way simply to cause pain or get a rise out of whoever they're talking to. These 'trolls' often lean on racial slurs, anti-LGBT sentiment and other hateful rhetoric; they normally feel most confident preying on younger, more impressionable gamers.

POTENTIAL FOR PRIVATE CHAT

If a player would like a re-match with a stranger after meeting them in the game, they can send a friend request, or use the party chat together in the future. For the most part, this is harmless – but it might lead to messages being exchanged in private. This could then escalate to the sharing of private information, and potentially attempts to manipulate or scam younger players.

COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE

Certain games are very competitive, and players can sometimes get upset if they feel a teammate is underperforming, an opponent won unfairly, or they're just a bad loser. This can lead to unpleasant messages that stray away from playful 'trash talk' and wander into the territory of bullying. Some players have been known to get incredibly abusive in situations like this, and the impact of this on a young gamer's emotional wellbeing could be severe.

Advice for Parents & Educators

LOCK-DOWN IN-GAME CHAT

In-game chat can often be disabled in the game's settings. This allows children to play without risk of contact from strangers – but it will need to be done in each individual game. Text chat appears in the corner of the screen in many titles, so it's normally easy to take a quick glance and see what's being said. With voice chat, explain to children what behaviour is inappropriate, so they can spot the dangers themselves.

CONSIDER OTHER CHAT OPTIONS

If a child wants to play with people they know, consider using party chat or a third-party service like Discord. This allows everyone involved to chat on a private server and even enjoy each other's company while playing different games. It's also far more secure, as anyone looking to join will need to request and be granted access – normally by whoever is hosting the chat.

REPORT POTENTIAL OFFENDERS

Most games offer a robust means of reporting other players, so you can flag an account as potentially harmful. This normally leads to the account not being matched with yours in the future and, if that person's conduct breaks any of the game's rules, they may be banned from playing entirely. This is done within the game itself, so each title has a slightly different process, but these tend to be designed for simplicity.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Make sure children understand the differences between being competitive and being abusive. Talk about what constitutes unusual or inappropriate behaviour from strangers online. Be clear that if anything ever concerns or worries them, they should tell a trusted adult as soon as possible. Empower children to identify the risks of in-game chat for themselves and reassure them they won't get in trouble for seeking help if anything goes wrong.

Meet Our Expert

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Source: See full reference list on guide page at nationalcollege.com/guides/in-game-chat

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