



Claybrooke Primary School Newsletter w/e 28/04/23

Welcome to this week's newsletter. We've had a great week this week. Oak class ate bugs in Forest School, Maple class wrote letters to the King and made clay pots, and Willow played parachute games. We hope you have a great Bank Holiday weekend and we'll see you back at school on **Tuesday!**

Mr. Howard

Next (School) Week's Calendar (*=Parents Invited):

Day	Event
Mon 01/05	Bank Holiday
Tue 02/05	Oak Class: Forest School
Wed 03/05	Discovery Club (paid) 3.15-4.15pm
Thu 04/05	Hot Chocolate Thursday Dance Festival Yr 4/5/6 @ Lutterworth College, 3.45 - 5.30 pm *
Fri 05/05	Celebration Assembly Coronation Party

E Safety:

We will provide information about a different aspect of E safety every week in this publication; we hope you find it useful. This week's topic is: **FIFA 23**



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

FIFA 23

FIFA 23, like its many predecessors, is a massively popular football simulator featuring lifelike recreations of thousands of real-world players, drawn from teams around the globe. While the gameplay is subtly improved year on year, the publisher EA Sports' tweaks tend to focus on FIFA Ultimate Team mode, which can tempt gamers of all ages to spend real money recruiting better players for their side. With each new release of FIFA comes a host of new players to unlock – meaning that youngsters can feel pressured to keep buying to compete with their friends.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

RELEASE RAZZAMATAZZ

FIFA 23 will be the last in the blockbuster series, before EA goes solo with its own football title next season. This 'end of an era' vibe – coupled with a huge advertising budget making the new release almost impossible to miss – will elevate FIFA 23 into even more of a 'must have' for football-mad young gamers, no matter how minor the updates are on last year's version.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CHAT

Based on a popular sport which appeals to people of all ages, the FIFA franchise draws a huge audience of both children and adults. Communication is a key element, with many players enjoying in-game audio chat via headsets. With the mixed age range of players and a lack of regulation, however, chats can often turn offensive or toxic – especially in the heat of competitive matches.

IN-GAME PROMOTIONS

Unless precautions are taken, dedicated FIFA fans can spend significant sums when attempting to improve their Ultimate Team. Most top-level players can be unlocked by simply participating in matches, but some sought-after stars can be obtained more quickly in limited-time promotions which cost a large amount of FIFA points (the in-game currency, often paid for with real money).

CIRCLING SCAMMERS

The popularity of FIFA Ultimate Team (FUT) mode has led to online scammers convincing many impressionable gamers to pay real money for non-existent FUT coins and player cards, or directing unwary FIFA fans to phishing sites. If your child gives these individuals their login details, the scammers can access not only their carefully built team but potentially your payment information.

ADDICTIVE NATURE

One match on FIFA (usually around 15 minutes, but often lengthened by extra time and penalties) almost invariably leads to another. It can be a powerful temptation for young players, regardless of unfinished homework or an approaching bedtime. If the "just one more game" mindset starts to impact a child's daily routine, it could be a sign of gaming disorder – a recognised mental health issue.

GAMBLING-ADJACENT BEHAVIOUR

Ultimate Team has become a major feature in FIFA due to the revenues it generates. It can also be addictive, with children striving to earn coins and level up while swapping, selling and buying players. Spending FUT coins to open a player pack (which many experts have likened to gambling) is designed to be an exciting act – with bright lights, fanfare and attention-grabbing prizes.

Advice for Parents & Carers

BE SELECTIVE WITH CHATS

It's enormous fun for FIFA players to chat online with friends, even as their teams do battle in the game. It's probably the safest idea, though, to restrict contact with strangers. By turning off voice chat in FIFA and allowing cross-party chat in their device's settings, your child can speak to people who are already on their friends list but won't be able to talk to (or hear) strangers online.

STAY ALERT FOR SCAMS

There are some key things to remember about potential FIFA scams. Firstly, EA never contacts users via any method other than emails to the account holder (which may well be you). Neither will they ever ask for a player's username or password outside the game itself. EA's terms and conditions outlaw the buying of FUT coins, so anyone selling them should be treated as suspicious.

CONTROL SPENDING

If your child plays Ultimate Team mode on FIFA, ensure their account isn't linked to your payment methods – so they'll need your permission to make in-game purchases. Alternatively, you could use parental controls to limit spending – or set up a pre-paid 'allowance'. When excitedly clicking options on screen, it's easy for a young person to forget the real-world repercussions of online purchases.

AVOID 'EXTRA TIME'

If your child's spending a lot of time on FIFA 23 and seems less enthusiastic about other activities in their life, you could consider restricting how long they can play for each day with the parental controls in their device's settings. Even if they're not playing on their console or computer, there's a FIFA companion app for smartphones – but that can be limited through parental controls, too.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is Games Editor of technology and entertainment website Dexerto and has been working in the gaming media for three years. A long-time fan of the FIFA franchise, he is also a parent and therefore a keen advocate of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have also been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar, among others.



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School Calendar (*=Parents Invited):

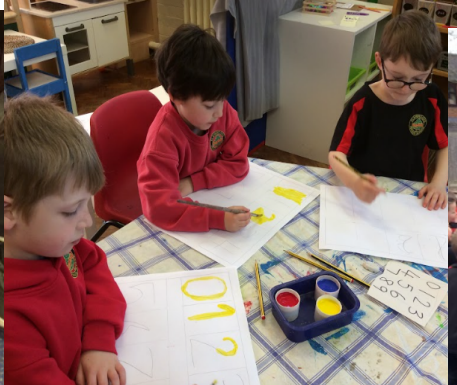
Summer Term 2023	
Date	Event
Thu 04/05	Year 5/6 Dance Showcase @ Luttt College 3.45-5.30
Fri 05/05	Coronation Party (non-uniform day: red, white and blue)
Mon 08/05	Kings' Coronation Bank Holiday – School Closed
w/c 09/05	KS2 SATS Week
Mon 15/05	Leics Mobile Library
Mon 15/05	Year 4 Tennis Festival @ Luttt High School 3.45-5.30
Wed 17/05	Year 5/6 Tennis Competition @ Luttt High School 3.45-5.30
Mon 22/05	Saffron Lane Athletics (Y3-6) 9.30-12.30 *
w/c 29/05	Summer Half-Term Week
Mon 05/06	Start of Summer 2nd
Mon 05/06	Parent Forum 6.00 – 7.00 *
Wed 07/06	Transition Sports Festival (Y6) @ Luttt College 3.45-5.30
Fri 16/06	PTA Fathers' Day Craft 3.15-4.15
Mon 19/06	Leics Mobile Library
Thu 22/06	School Sports Afternoon 1.30-3.00 *
Mon 26/06	Annual Reports Out
Wed 28/06	Oak Class Production 2.00-3.00 & 6.00-7.00 *
Thu 29/06	Yr 5 Taster Day @ Lutttworth High School
Thu 06/07	Leavers' Assembly 9.30-10.30 *
Thu 06/07	PTA Disco, incl. Leavers' 3.30-7.00
Wed 12/07	Last Day of School Year

Willow Class Weekly News

This week's awards:		
Excellent Work: Georgia- Art	Values: Annamay- Kindness	Hot Chocolate: Sophia Seren

This Week's Learning:

- The children planted beans to observe them grow and change over the next few weeks.
- Geography- we have been exploring maps of their local area and how to sketch a map.
- Computing- we learnt how to type on a keyboard and use the toolbar to select the icons bold and underline (yr1).
- Computing- we learn to type on the keyboard on the ipad (yr R).
- We continued our PE topics 'athletes' and practised throwing and catching a ball.
- Maths- building, sequencing and identifying numbers to 20 and learning to estimate a number (yr R).
- Maths- we have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones. Also looking at missing numbers on a number track (yr 1).
- Art- painting using natural materials such as feathers, leaves and sticks (yr R) and recreating artwork from Jasper John using primary colours (yr 1).
- Sharing the story 'A Tiny Seed' and 'Jack and the Meanstalk'.



Next week's Learning:

- Athletes in PE
- About Special places for Christians.
- Geography-Where in the world is China?
- Continue to observe our beans and potatoes to see if they have changed and grown.
- Yr 1- Printing with paints
- Yr R- Painting to music

Homework & Reminders:

Bank holiday **Monday**- school will be closed

PE will be on **Tuesday** next week- please can your child come in their kit.

Friday- Claybrooke's coronation party! Wear red, white or blue. Your child does not need to bring anything.

Homework- can you support your child with their phonics at home. Reception children are currently working on reading words with set 1 and 2 special friends. We have also been learning to read red words which helps to develop fluency.

[Review oo,oo ow](#)

[Red words](#)

[Hold a sentence](#)

Year 1 children have been recapping 'Special Friends and red words

[Review ea, oi, a e](#)

[Special friends set 3](#)

[Red word](#)

Some year 1 children have also been reading:

[Speeding up](#)

[ue words](#)

Year 1 Phonics Screening check:

[Phonics screening check](#)

Year 1 will be taking part in the government phonics screening check on the week commencing 12th June. We will be practising reading real and nonsense words on the run up to the assessment. Please can you look out for different resources they will be coming home next week for you to practise at home. You can also support your child by playing games such as phonics play. [Picnic on pluto \(phase 5\)](#) [Buried treasure \(phase 4 and 5\)](#)

Thank you for your support!

Miss Jones and Mrs Dudfield
Willow Class teachers

Maple Class Weekly News

This week's awards:

Excellent Work:

Frank: Amazing writing in phonics.

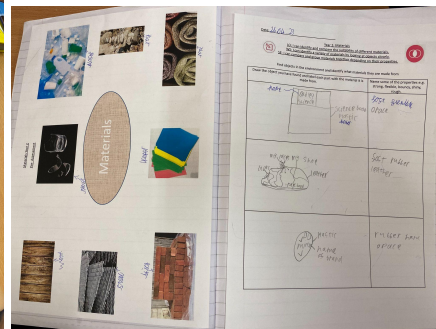
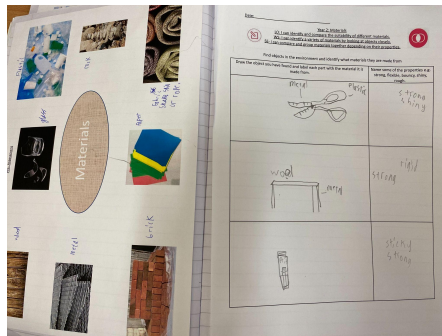
Values:

Paris: Independence.

Hot Chocolate:

Teddy

This Week's Learning:



In our sculpture work this week we made 'pinch pots'.

Science work: Exploring the suitability of different materials

This week we have been:

- Writing a formal letter in English
- Exploring everyday materials in Science.
- Finding out 'What is a coast' in Geography.
- Maths: Y2: Money, Y3 Fractions.
- Computing: Editing text.
- Continue to develop our Clay making skills.

Next Week's Learning:

Some of the things we will look at next week are;

- **English: Grammar and reading comprehension focus**
- **Exploring everyday materials in Science.**
- **Maths: Fractions**
- **Geography: What are the features of the Jurassic Coast?**
- **Computing: Choosing page settings.**
- **Continue to develop our Clay making skills.**
- **Enjoying a Coronation street party on Friday.**

Homework & Reminders:

Homework

Please remember to tick off tasks completed. Thank you.

Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Maple team if you have any questions.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Chick (Mon, Tue, Wed)

Mr Rock (Thurs, Fri)

Oak Class Weekly News

This week's awards:

Excellent Work:

Demi-Leigh

Values:

Esme

Hot Chocolate:

Anna



This Week's Learning:

- Eaten bugs in Forest School!
- Looked at the principles of throwing, including control, accuracy and efficiency.
- Started to try out for the Saffron Lane events
- Started a new unit in English about 'The Nowhere Emporium'
- Started a new topic in Science of Life Cycles, by starting with describing the changes as humans develop from birth
- Discussed the 'Sermons on the Mount' in RE
- Year 6 have finished 'Converting Units' in Maths
- Retold the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood' in Spanish, in costume!
- Had some fun playing under the parachute



Next Week's Learning:

- Working on demonstrating different combinations of jumps, showing control, coordination and consistency.
- Year 6 will be looking at Ratio and Algebra in Maths
- Celebrating the King's coronation with a street party!
- Exploring different artists and shadow puppetry

Homework & Reminders:

PE will continue for the rest of the class on **Monday and Wednesday afternoons**. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather, as we will be outside for the entire term.

Forest School will start for Oak class after the Easter holidays. This will take place on **TUESDAY AFTERNOONS**. Your child will need wellies and outdoor clothing that they don't mind getting dirty. Forest School requires children to wear long trousers and long sleeved tops, for health and safety reasons. If your child does not have this, they may be turned away from Forest School.

Dates to remember:

- Wednesday 3rd May - homework due
- Thursday 4th May - Year 5/6 Dance showcase
- Week commencing 9th May - Y6 SATs week
- Monday 15th May - Year 4 Tennis Festival
- Wednesday 17th May - Year 5/6 Tennis Competition
- Monday 22nd May - Saffron Lane athletics competition

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Blower