

21st November 2025

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Message from Mr Rock

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for their consultation evening slot next week. The staff team are looking forward to being able to share all the positive things your child has been up to in school so far this year.

Please take note of all the upcoming dates as we approach the festive season, beginning with the 'Wear what you Want' day next Friday and the PTA Christmas Craft next Thursday.

We were joined in school this week by some of the wider Trust team as part of our ongoing Inclusion and SEND strategy. The team were very impressed with the inclusive provision across school for all pupils, not just SEND, as well as noting the positive behaviour of all the pupils during their visit.

It was great, as always to welcome back the HYCY bus to Claybrooke this week. The children always enjoy all the activities and games that the staff provide.



**Be safe,
Be ready,
Be respectful.**



I am delighted to announce that Miss Blower has been awarded the 'Unsung Hero' award at the Active Harborough Physical Activity Awards which took place last night. These awards celebrate and recognise the dedication and hard work she does to make a positive impact on our community. We are so proud of Miss Blower and her dedication to constantly improving the opportunities for all our pupils at Claybrooke Primary School. Well done Miss Blower.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Rock
Head of School



**Congratulations to our
certificate winners this week.
Excellent Work:
Elsie, Marley & Evelyn-Rose
Values:
Poppy, Quinn & Kathleen**



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Accredited School
ROUTE TO RESILIENCE





Go above and beyond!

Upcoming dates

Maple Class swimming: Each Tuesday afternoon.

27th November. IPAT Spirituality Day trip (Invite only)

Parent consultations Monday 24th November & Wednesday 26th November.

Christmas PTA Craft 27th November am

Friday 29th November. PTA 'Wear something festive' day. Bring in items for tombola.

1st December. School Council visit to Woodmarket Residential Home.

Friday 5th December. PTA Christmas Bazaar. 5.30-7.30pm (In the Village Hall)

Wednesday 10th December. Christmas performance in the Church. (2pm and 6pm)

Well done to Oak Class who visited the Warwickshire Justice Centre this week to take part in a Mock Trial. What a fantastic experience to be a part of.



Team points this week:

Red: 139
Green: 105
Blue: 56
Yellow: 112



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
21.11.25.

Oak: 80.04%

Maple: 85.21%

Willow: 83.36%

Whole school: 83.08%

MOMENTS MATTER. ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Oak Class Newsletter

This half term, the class have enjoyed getting stuck into a new book - Pig Heart Boy. The book follows the story of a 13-year old boy named Cameron, who has the opportunity to have a heart transplant - but from a pig! The book explores the themes of family dynamics, medical ethics and friendship. The class are looking forward to seeing where the story leads next!

We have spent a couple of weeks exploring poetry within writing. Firstly, we looked at Shakespeare's 'Sonnet 18' and William Wordsworth's 'Daffodils'. The children were able to make insightful connections between the two, as well as understand the structures of these poems and justify which one they preferred. Following this, we looked at poetry that creates images, with a special focus around Armistice Day. The children were able to piece together some fantastic poems, using everything from the Shakespeare unit that they had learnt previously (rhyming patterns, assonance, metaphors etc.). A special well done to Abi, whose poem was read out in front of the whole school after our 2-minutes silence on Armistice Day.

We have finished fractions in Maths and are now onto the next unit of multiplication and division! The children have recapped how to set out long multiplication, and short division and have been introduced to long division this week! They are all working incredibly hard in this unit and also applying it to our weekly arithmetic tests!



On Monday of this week, we had the opportunity to visit the Warwickshire Justice Centre for a mock trial! The children were assigned roles and got the chance to dress up in robes and wigs! The trial was based on a real life harassment/cyberbullying case. The witnesses were cross-examined by the defence and prosecution and then the jury had to meet to reach a verdict - they found the defendant guilty! The children really enjoyed their afternoon and were able to come up with some really insightful questions for the district judge. I think lots of them have now decided what kind of job they'd like to do in the future...!

Some of the Year 6 children had the opportunity to represent Claybrooke at the small schools indoor athletics meet at Lutterworth College. The children pulled together and showed great sportsmanship throughout. Well done team!

In Science, we have been learning about the Circulatory System. We have looked at what blood is made of and why we need it, how nutrients are transported around our bodies, what does our heart look like inside and what we can do to keep healthy. The children have enjoyed this topic and have a great knowledge which they will then apply in their next writing unit!

We now have a new set of trained wellbeing ambassadors! They will be working closely with Mrs Jones to set up opportunities for the school to improve their wellbeing. Our two sports ambassadors have also had a refresh on their training this year! They are full of ideas and ready to start holding some lunchtime activities.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TRACKING DEVICES

Bluetooth tracking devices like Apple's AirTag and Samsung's SmartTags have exploded in popularity, with millions sold each year. These small tools help people locate their lost items, but their discreet design has also made them attractive for more sinister purposes. From stalking to bullying, tracking devices present unique risks that trusted adults need to understand and address.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

STALKING AND HARASSMENT

Because of their tiny size and unassuming appearance, tracking devices can easily be hidden in bags or clothing. They've been used to monitor individuals without their knowledge, with a lawsuit in the US labelling AirTags "the weapon of choice of stalkers and abusers". In the UK, use of tracking devices in coercive control and stalking cases reportedly rose by 317 percent between 2018 and 2023.

TOOLS FOR BULLYING

Tracking devices could allow bullies to follow or locate their targets even outside of school. This makes it difficult for children to find refuge, potentially extending the trauma of bullying into spaces - like home - that should feel safe and secure.

FALSE ACCUSATIONS

Because tracking devices are linked to user accounts, they could be misused to "prove" ownership of someone else's possessions. Someone could, for example, plant a tracker on another person's belongings to falsely claim them as their own.

INVASION OF PRIVACY

These devices are designed to share location data with the user via other people's phones, which can unintentionally broadcast someone's movements without their consent. This makes them vulnerable to being monitored by strangers without realising.

DIFFICULT TO DETECT

Many tracking devices are designed to be discreet, but that also means they're easy to hide. Without proactive checking or the right tech to detect them, children and young people might not realise they're being tracked.

Advice for Parents & Educators

WATCH FOR WARNING SIGNS

If a child's peers always seem to know their location - whether in person or hinted at online - it could be worth checking for tracking devices. Some, like AirTags, will eventually make a noise if separated from their owner. Listen out for a chirping sound.

CHECK LIKELY HIDING SPOTS

Common places where trackers may be planted include jacket linings, bag seams, pockets, or under bike seats. If you find one, take a photo of the serial number before disposing of it - this could help police trace the account it's linked to.

USE DETECTION APPS

Apple devices running iOS 14.5 or later will notify users of unknown AirTags nearby. Android users can install Apple's "Tracker Detect" or the third-party app "AirGuard" to scan for tracking devices from various manufacturers.

HAVE THE CONVERSATION

Talk to your child about what tracking devices are, what signs to look out for, and how they might be misused. Emphasise the legal consequences of using them to prank, harass, or monitor someone.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is a seasoned technology journalist with bylines in Wired, TechRadar, The Guardian, The Evening Standard, The Telegraph, and The New Statesman. He specialises in consumer tech, online safety, and emerging risks in the digital landscape.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College



PTA news

Please see information below about upcoming PTA events

I CAN GIVE MY SUPPORT

Christmas Craft

When: Thursday 27th December

We urgently need parent support for the Christmas Bazaar.
Without support we will need to cancel.

Thursday 27th December

After drop off - Set up at School Hall
9.10am-10.10am Willow Class
10.15am-11.15am Maple & Oak



2025



Christmas Bazaar

When: Thursday 4th December & Friday 5th December

We urgently need parent support for the Christmas Bazaar.
Without support we will need to cancel.

Thursday 4th December

9.15am-3.00pm Set up at village hall.
7pm-9pm - Finishing setting up

Friday 5th December

9.15am-3.00pm Final touches. Set up food.

5pm - Helpers arrive to get ready for door opening at 5.30pm

7pm-8pm - Packing away.



Return form by Friday 21st November 2023

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I CAN HELP Christmas Craft



Name _____

Contact number _____

I am happy for photos of me to be used for:

Parent of newsletter Yearbooks Facebook parents group

I CAN HELP Christmas Bazaar



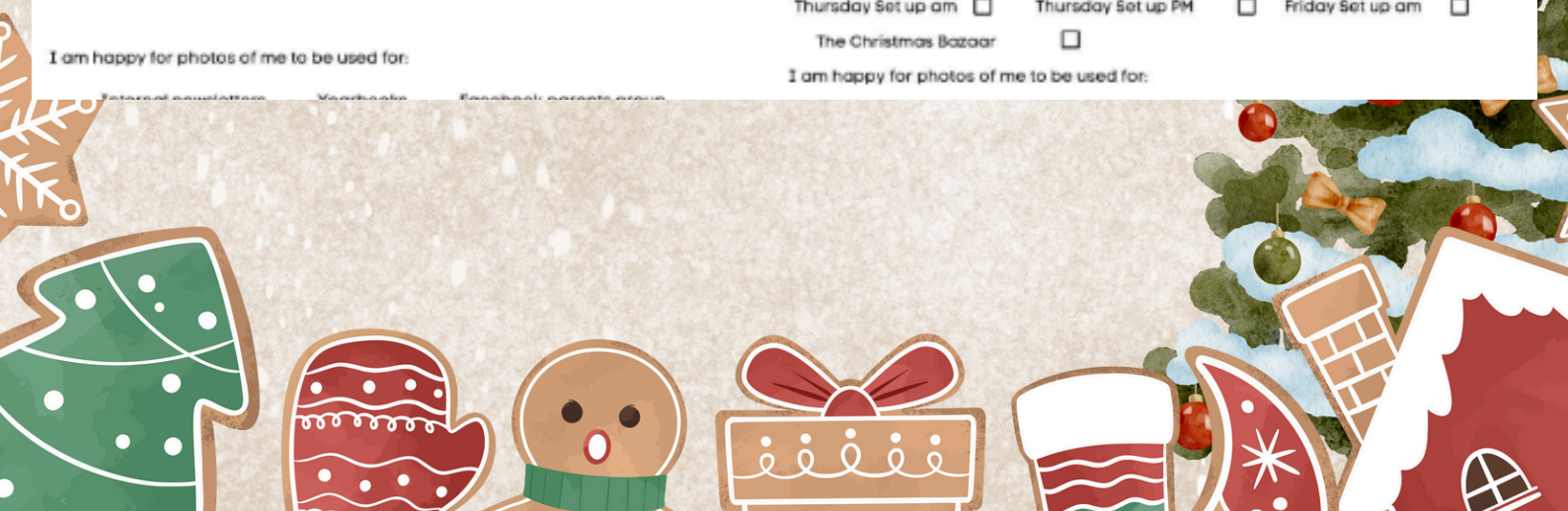
Name _____

Contact number _____

Thursday Set up am Thursday Set up PM Friday Set up am

The Christmas Bazaar

I am happy for photos of me to be used for:



Checklist	Due Date	Done
Confirm support for Christmas Craft - Estia 07704064001	Today	
Confirm support for Christmas Bazaar - Estia 07704 064001	Today	
Donate Pre-loved/new soft toys & Books	28th Nov	
Donate Bottle of anything	28th Nov	
Donate Festive jumper/outfit day (for photos)	28th Nov	
Donate Tombola item	28th Nov	
Donate Raffle item	28th Nov	
Donate Chocolate	28th Nov	
Pay for Christmas Tickets (Arbor or cash with form)	28th Nov	
Pay T-Towel (limited availability) (Arbor or cash with form)	28th Nov	
Pay Children's Christmas Cards (Arbor or cash with form)	28th Nov	
Pay for Christmas photo with frame	28th Nov	



ARE YOU DECLUTTERING BEFORE CHRISTMAS?

WE NEED PRELOVED/NEW ITEMS:



Soft Toys
Games
Puzzles
Tombola Items
Raffle Prizes



ALL PROFITS GO TOWARDS SUPPORTING THE ENRICHING & EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS AT THE SCHOOL.

YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.



Please drop into the school office labelled PTA by Friday 28th November.





ORDER FORM

Return form to the school office
by Friday 28th November



T-towel 2025
Your child's own
unique portrait.



Limited Availability - First
come first served.



Christmas Craft Annual craft of your child
designing their own frame. Complete with a
festive photo of your child . Remember their
journey for years to come.



Item Description	Value	Quantity	Total
Christmas Bazaar Tickets (adult)	£2.50		
Christmas Bazaar Tickets (child)	£4.50		
Christmas Craft (1 per child)	£5		
Christmas T-Towel (limited availability)	£5		
Christmas Cards (12 Pack)	£5.79		
Total			
Paid on Arbor			
Paid Cash to main reception			



Christmas Cards
your child's own
unique Christmas
Tree Design



Christmas Bazaar

See Santa and
kick start the
festive season
with some
community
fun and
cheer.



Name: _____

Child Name(s) _____

Class(s) _____

I am happy for our photos to be used for:

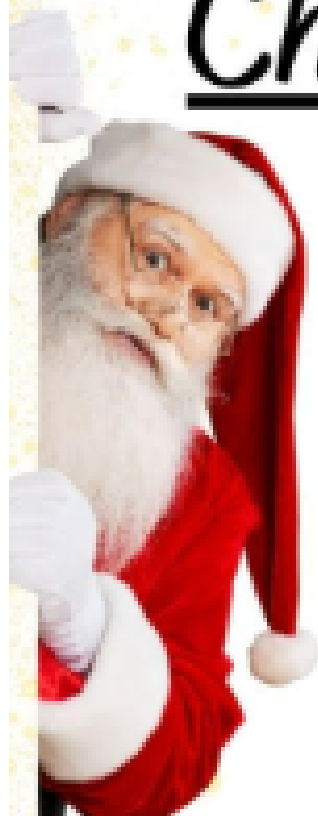
Internal newsletters Yearbooks Facebook parents group

Christmas Bazaar

Friday 5th December

5.30pm-7.30pm

Claybrooke Magna
Village Hall,
Main Rd
LE17 5AJ



**Adult Door Entry**
Adult
£2.50

Includes a
mince pie
and cup of
mulled wine.

**Child
Door Entry**
£4.50

Includes a
visit to
Santa's
Grotto with
gift.

*Santa's Grotto *Games *Raffle *Prizes
Order tickets on the attached order form



Christmas Craft



THURSDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Annual Christmas Craft, where your child designs their own photo frame. Come along and enjoy the creative festive cheer.

9am-11.30am - Claybrooke School Hall (please confirm via the form)

Wear Festive outfits!

FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Children's photos will be taken for their annual Christmas photo frame

Please bring in, as a donation, for the Christmas Bazaar at least 3 items:



1. **A bottle** - any bottle, wine, shampoo, beer, shower gel, fizzy pop.
2. **Tombola prizes.** Anything at all, unwanted gifts, tins, games etc.
3. **Chocolate tombola** - ideally a multipack of chocolate bars, a selection box, large or small chocolate items.



If you also have any raffle prize donations for children's or adults and sweets they will be gratefully received.



Claybrooke calendar 2025-26



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

Autumn Term 2025

Date	Event
Tue 02/09	Meet the teacher / Curriculum information 3:30 - 4:00 (In each classroom) Oak class parents: Residential trip meeting will follow at 4pm
Wed 24/09	Macmillan Coffee non uniform day. (Bring in items for tombola)
Fri 26/09	Macmillan Coffee Morning @ Claybrooke Village Hall
Wed 08/10	Harvest Festival 2pm @ St Peters Church TBC
Tues 14/10	Taylor Shaw catering open event for parents 3:30 *
Thurs 16/10	PTA AGM 3:30pm in the school hall. Cancelled. Will be rescheduled
Thurs 16/10	School closes for half term
Fri 17/10	School INSET DAY. School closed to pupils

w/c 21/10	HALF TERM
Mon 27/10	School re-opens
Mon 27/10	School individual photographs
Wed 29/10	Topic Showcase 2.50-3:10 *
Thurs 30/10	PTA Spooky Discos (Willow 3pm - 4pm Maple and Oak 4:10 - 5:10pm)
w/c 24/11	Parent consultation week (dates to be confirmed)
Fri 28/11	'PTA 'Wear what you want' day. Bring items for Christmas Bazaar.
Thurs 27/11	PTA Christmas Craft 9 - 11:30am
Fri 05/12	PTA Christmas Bazaar (tbc) 5:30 - 7:30pm
Wed 10/12	Claybrooke Nativity & Christmas Carols @ St Peter's Church 1:30pm (TBC)
Wed 10/12	Claybrooke Nativity & Christmas Carols @ St Peter's Church 6:00 pm
Tue 16/12	School Christmas dinner
Wed 17/12	Willow Class panto trip
Fri 20/12	Break up for Christmas holidays
	End of Autumn Term

All dates subject to change