



DIGGLE STARS

Esme Irwin and Heidi Watson - for great work in fractions and answering lots of questions in the lessons.

Harrison Joy - for his enthusiasm and resilience in all activities.

Charlie Hardisty-Lomax- for a much more mature attitude and really trying hard.

Aggie McMurtry- For settling in really well and getting involved in lessons.

Charlotte Tann and Eloise Powell- For making sure that their new classmate felt welcomed and comfortable.

HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

The consent letter for the Chester Zoo trip will be sent to parents next week. This must be returned to your child's class teacher. If your child will be on holiday on the day of the trip, please complete a holiday form as soon as possible.

Starting from September, we will be enforcing our school uniform policy more strictly. Ties in Key Stage 2 are mandatory, as are black school shoes. Trainers will not be permitted, unless it is a PE day. PE kits should not bear any brand logos, and should be plain navy/black joggers or leggings and dark, unbranded trainers. Unfortunately, children not wearing the correct uniform will miss a playtime. More details will be provided in a follow-up letter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 7th May - Class Photographs

Tues 21st May - Reception Stay and Play

Thurs 23rd May -Whole school trip to Chester Zoo

w/c 3rd June - Sports Week

11th June - FODS funded KAPLA club in the school hall

Wed 12th - Fri 14th June - Year 6 Kingswood

Mon 24th June - Open Day. All year groups (am and pm sessions)

Here are our amazing Diggle Stars!



Congratulations Class 1. You had the tidiest cloakroom and Percy will be spending the week with you!



Class R

Continuing with our Minibeast topic, Class R have been learning all about bees.

In maths, we have been looking at numbers beyond 10. We had a bee themed maths area where we used bees and pom poms to make teen numbers in the honeycomb. Class R enjoyed a game of what time is it Mr Wolf for some active learning and Mr Wolf tested us by shouting out 'teen' numbers.

In English, we enjoyed reading the story 'The Very Greedy Bee', this opened up lots of discussion about sharing and what makes us a kind friend, Class R had some lovely ideas. We have used our phonics knowledge to write facts about bees, practicing our handwriting skills. We also worked on our pencil control with some bee themed mazes.

We have been very creative this week, including making paper mache bees, using shapes to create a bee, bubble wrap printing and exploring our bee themed sensory tray. We also enjoyed some themed water play, including saving the flowers from the frozen bee hive.

We learnt how the bees collect the pollen and nectar and transfer it to the beehive. We then had ago at transferring our own nectar using pipettes.

We have been out in our outdoor area and scattered some wildflower seeds. We are looking forward to watching the flowers grow. To finish the week we made some yummy honey sandwiches. Class R thought the honey tasted sweet and delicious.



This week in photos. More information, videos and pictures found on our Facebook page.

Class 1

This week in English we have finished reading 'The Naughty Bus.' We completed a prediction track to show what might happen to the naughty bus as he got closer and closer to the pond.

We wrote sentences to describe how the bus felt after falling into the pond. We wrote about the naughty things the bus had done throughout the story and wrote questions that we would like to ask the bus.

In Maths we have been learning about multiplication and division. We have practised our doubles and sharing and grouping for division.

In Computing we have learnt about programming simple robots. We had fun using the beebots and programming them to follow a route.

In Science we went outside to find out what the most common wild flower was in the school grounds. We had differing results but overall the dandelions and the daisies were the winners. In PE we practised some skills commonly used in volleyball such as striking and volleying a large ball with some accuracy and learning how to dig a ball by getting underneath it. We enjoyed rallies with our partners and aiming for a hoop.

We had a great time at the Wacky Races to end our busy week!

Class 2

This week as part of our 'There and back' theme, we learned about space flight. We discovered that on 20th July 1969, something amazing happened that had never happened before, people landed on the moon! This was a very important moment in history and the start of space exploration. Three astronauts flew in a spaceship called Apollo 11. An astronaut called Neil Armstrong was the first person to step onto the moon. We also found out that technology invented for the Apollo space missions has helped develop useful items for everyday life including camera phones. We imagined being astronauts ourselves and pondered the question : What would we take into space? We had some great answers! Using the conjunctions **and**, **but** and **because**, we wrote sentences about each item explaining why we would take it. In Maths we have been identifying the 2-D shapes that make up the faces of 3-D shapes, including identifying pyramids according to the shape of their base. We moved onto exploring edges and vertices. As part of our science work with plants, we labelled the parts of a plant and found out the jobs each part does. We are checking our bean plants each day and have just seen the first shoots!!





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Class 3

This week in maths, Class 3 have been learning about fractions. We have learnt about unit fractions and non-unit fractions, identifying, ordering and comparing them.

In English, we have continued with *The BFG*, answering questions, inferring meanings and putting speech into inverted commas. We used our dictionary skills to find correct meanings and the thesaurus to find words for ways of eating.

In science, we revisited muscles, looking more closely at how they work, following on from making our models last week.

We looked at changes in our lives in SMSC this week. Considering how they can affect us and make us feel, and how we can use different methods to help deal with these or make these feel better.

In computing, we continued with our Branch Diagrams, trying to generate our own questions to separate a group of dinosaurs.

In PE, we revised our triple jump skills then learnt some techniques for shot put and javelin.

Class 4

This week, Class 4 have continued our work looking at the story 'Witches' by Roald Dahl. We read the chapter 'The Grand High Witches' and wrote a diary entry imagining that a witch had paid us a visit.

In Maths, we have been looking at decimals on a place value chart, dividing decimals by 10 and converting fractions to decimals. The children have really engaged with this and explored tenths and hundredths.

In Science, we did an experiment which investigated the melting point of chocolate buttons. The children identified the independent, dependent and controlled variables of the experiment and used different temperatures of water to investigate.

In Computing, we moved on to our new unit: Digital Photography and editing. The children practiced rotating photos and cropping them to focus more on the subject of the photograph.

Finally in French, we completed learning about our hobbies and interests and we wrote a letter to a French girl all about ourselves.

Class 5

This week in Maths class 5 have started to look at coordinates, they have been able to identify the coordinates of a point and plot points using coordinates. In English we have started to read “the explorer” the children have used the story to write their own narratives about being stranded in the Amazon rainforest. In Theme we looked at features of rivers and were able to identify the source and mouth of rivers across the world. We have also started to look at the layers of the rainforest. In science we have looked at the length and mass of a baby as it grows. In PE the children have developed their communication skills and looked at how important it is to make sure you talk to your teammates during a football match.

Class 6

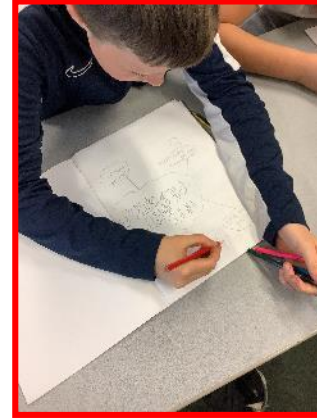
This week, in English, we've been writing from the perspective of an object, specifically a remote control. We've been considering its experiences and feelings in various daily situations, while striving to incorporate writing features.

During SMSC, we've been learning about self-care.

In PE, we've honed our rounders skills and familiarised ourselves with the basic rules of batting and fielding.

Additionally, we finished reading our class text, "The Girl of Ink and Stars," which was enjoyed by all the students. Through this text, we learned about the importance of friendship and the strength and power of these relationships when we need support.

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Music Lessons

Music lessons are as follows:

Monday - Singing (from after half term)

Tuesday - Brass

Wednesday - Percussion, Woodwind, Keyboard

Thursday - Guitar

Please ensure your child brings their instrument with them where applicable on the day stated above.

If you would like your child to start music lessons please contact the school office to enquire about availability and financial commitment.

School Band Rehearsal Dates

Quick reminder that Mr Byers is not available for 8.30am band practice on the following dates...

PLEASE NOTE, EVEN THOUGH MORNING BAND PRACTICE IS NOT ON, LESSONS WILL STILL BE HAPPENING, AND BAND PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE LATER IN THE DAY, SO YOUR CHILDREN WILL STILL NEED THEIR INSTRUMENTS.

**Tuesday 7th May 2024, Tuesday 4th June 2024,
Tuesday 26th June 2024, Tuesday 16th July 2024**

Music Tuition September 2024

Please could we ask that all music forms are returned as soon as possible so that we can plan the music provision for September. Many thanks in advance.



Ice Cream Van

You may have noticed an ice-cream van parked at the bottom of Sam Road. It has been brought to our attention that the van is sometimes parked on double yellow lines, and when people are queuing it is forcing children into the road to get past. As this is quite a busy junction we are concerned that there is going to be an accident. We have had a word with the ice-cream man, who was very kind, and agreed that it would be safer if he wasn't on double yellow lines. We politely ask that if you are queuing for an ice cream, you do not block the pavement, thus forcing children into the road.

Class Photographs

A quick reminder that class photographs will take place on Tuesday 7th May. These photographs will be available to buy, the children will receive more information next week.

Chester Zoo

As mentioned in Mrs Newton's message, if you are on holiday and your child will not be going on the Chester Zoo trip, please could you return a holiday form as soon as possible. As you can imagine, it is taking quite a bit of organising and we have to ensure we have the correct staff to pupil ratios. Thank you for your understanding.

Now taking bookings for May Half-Term
Open Tuesday 28th May - Friday 31st May 2024 inclusive
8.45am - 5pm £27 per day per child



Diggle Holiday Club

Diggle School, Sam Road, Diggle, OL3 5PU
Telephone; 01457 601972
For more information please email:
landaholidayclub@gmail.com

Children can enjoy our vast outdoor areas and take part in seasonal crafts.
Morning and afternoon snacks/drinks are provided,
lunch to be provided by the parents.



Bookings are now being taken for May half term for the 'outstanding' Diggle Holiday Club. Secure your place today by calling or emailing.

Don't forget FODS Summer Carnival. If you can spare an hour to help, please let a FODS representative know as soon as possible.

A vibrant poster for the FODS Summer Carnival. At the top, a string of colorful triangular bunting hangs across the width. Below it, a large teal cloud-like shape with a red border of white dots contains the FODS logo (Friends of Diggle School) and the words 'SUMMER CARNIVAL' in a stylized, outlined font. A yellow banner below the cloud reads 'SATURDAY 29TH JUNE' in large black letters, with 'GATES OPEN AT 2 P.M.' and 'DIGGLE SCHOOL FIELD' in smaller text, and 'DIGGLE SCHOOL, SAM ROAD, DIGGLE' at the bottom. The central text 'FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!' is flanked by two strings of bunting. Below this, a list of activities is presented in two columns: GAMES, STALLS, LIVE MUSIC, DANCING, BAR AND BBQ on the left; and INFLATABLES, SPORTS, GRAND RAFFLE, TOMBOLAS, TODDLER AREA on the right. The bottom of the poster features two red and yellow striped tents with colorful balloons (blue, green, yellow, red, purple) floating above them. The background is a light blue sky with scattered colorful confetti.

FODS
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SUMMER CARNIVAL

SATURDAY 29TH JUNE
GATES OPEN AT 2 P.M. DIGGLE SCHOOL FIELD
DIGGLE SCHOOL, SAM ROAD, DIGGLE

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

OPEN TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY -
BRING YOUR
FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

GAMES
STALLS
LIVE MUSIC
DANCING
BAR AND BBQ

INFLATABLES
SPORTS
GRAND RAFFLE
TOMBOLAS
TODDLER AREA

FRIENDS OF
DIGGLE SCHOOL
CHARITY NO
1035075

Saddleworth
Art Trail 2024 Comes to Diggle !
4th to 6th May Bank Holiday Weekend

Diggle 8 on the trail sheet

Venue:-

Kilngreen Church
Leeside Diggle

Open Sat, Sun & Monday
11.00am - 3.30pm

(Cara & Harry Hamilton, Suzanne Bradshaw, Eileen Eckersley)

Featuring:-

Parish Centre Art Group

Janet Iles - Banners in Fabric

Shirley Luke - Grove Art

Jess Kouzelis - Drawn in Thread

The Three Generation's - Art work

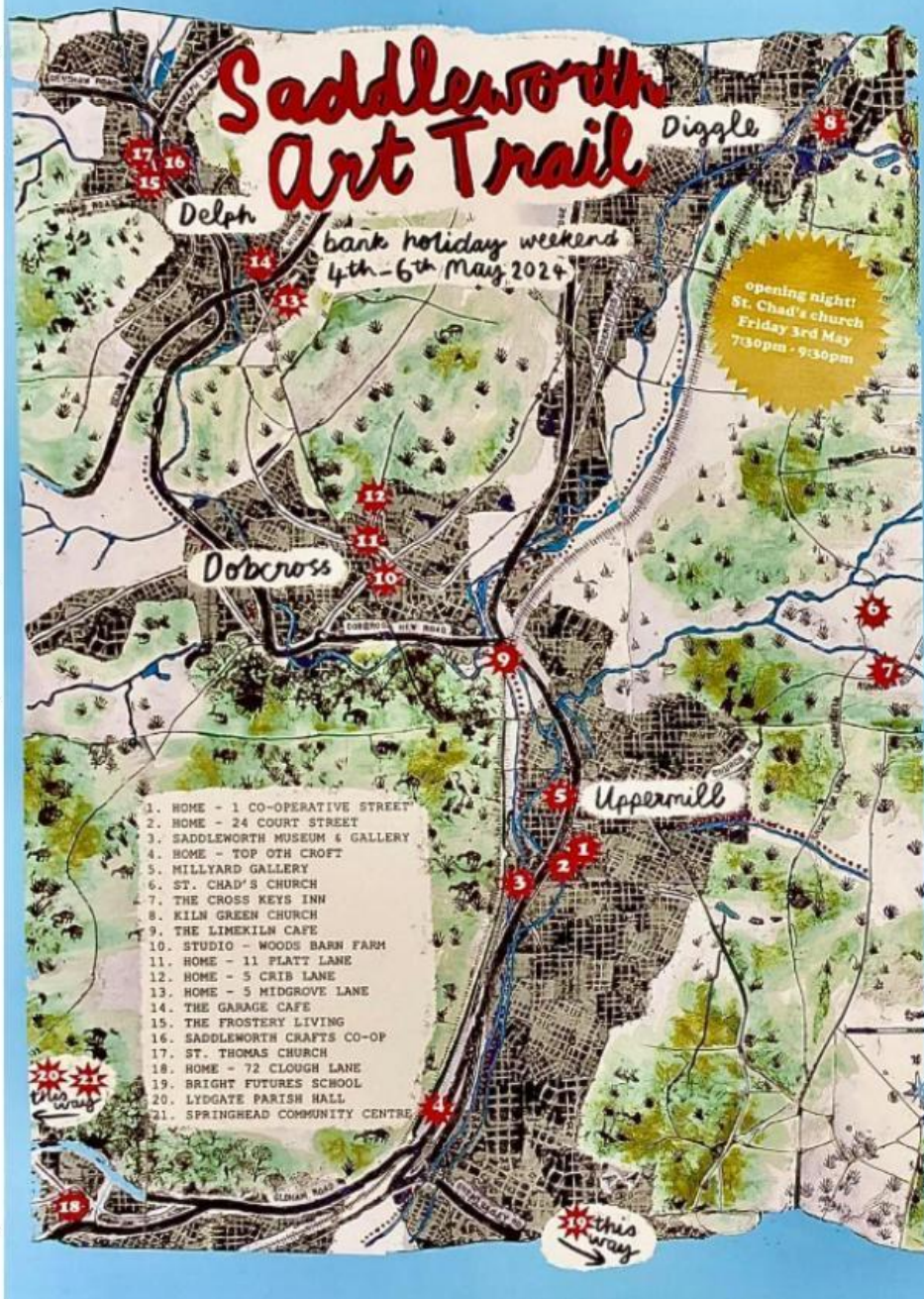
Please come along - bring the family
Drawing table available for children
to create artwork of their own
(or adults if you fancy a try !)

ART CAFE - Serving
light refreshments

FULLY ACCESSIBLE VENUE

ALL WELCOME





SADDLEWORTH ART TRAIL

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<p>1</p> <p>Laura Skilbeck at home Contemporary painter and illustrator. 1 Co-operative Street, Uppermill, OL3 6AD 11am - 4pm Sat/Sun/Mon www.lauraskilbeck.com Instagram: @lauraskilbeck</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Sean Willis at home Local Lino-Printmaker 24 Court Street, Uppermill, OL3 6RD 10am - 3pm Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @seanwillisprints seanwillisprints@gmail.com</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Art Textile Group at Saddleworth Museum. Work based on the theme 'A Walk in the Wild'. High Street, Uppermill OL3 6HS 1pm-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon marlynp1atrd@icloud.com Parking/wheelchair access/toilets available</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Mark Demateader at home Contemporary Figurative Artist Top Oth Croft, Ladcaster Road, Uppermill, OL3 6LJ Sat/Sun 11-4 Mon 11-3 www.markdemateader.com dianademateader@gmail.com</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Mark Whyatt, Janis Bowle, John Hewitt and Sarah Bartle at Millyard Gallery. Painting, collage, drawing and illustration, 97 High Street, Uppermill, OL3 6BD Sat 10-4, Sun/Mon 12-4 millyardgallery@gmail.com jhowle1985@tiscali.co.uk</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Bill Woods and Trish Cas at St Chad's Church. Mixed media and Interactive Installation // Acrylic portraits. Church Lane, Uppermill, OL3 6LW 7:30-9:30pm Friday (opening night) 12-5pm Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @billwoods27 www.bill-woods.co.uk tishcas@gmail.com</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Linda Edwards at The Cross Keys Landscape and portrait artist. Ranling Hill Gate, Uppermill, OL3 6LW 12-9:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon www.lindaedwardsart.com lindaedwards190@gmail.com Refreshments/toilets/parking</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Parish Centre Art Group at Kiln Green Church Painting, stitching, ceramics, printing and pastels Lee Side, Diggle, OL3 5JY 11-3:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon janetanne.lisa@gmail.com esaukocroft@icloud.com sushrad1@yahoo.co.uk Wheelchair access/ refreshments/car park/toilets</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Glynis Thorpe and Constermonster at The Limekiln Cafe Contemporary Abstract Landscapes // Manga Artist Wood Rd, Dobcross, OL3 5NS 1pm-5pm Sat/Sun/Mon glynisthorpe@gmail.com constermonstercos@gmail.com Parking/wheelchair access/toilets/refreshments</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Kryshia Adamiec Contemporary Abstract Art Painter Studio at Woods Farm Barn, Church Fields, Dobcross, OL3 5AB 10-6 Sat/Sun 10-5 Monday Instagram: @kryshiacontemporaryart kryshia@kryshia.co.uk Parking available</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Marlynn McNeill at home Textile Artist using silk painting and stitching. 11 Platt Lane, Dobcross, OL3 5AD 10am-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon marlynp1atrd@icloud.com</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Helen Campbell and Kate Horsey at home Painting and experimental print making. 5 Crib Lane, Dobcross, OL3 5AF 10am-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon www.thegalleryinthearden.com criblane@googlemail.com katehorshby@gmail.com Some parking and toilets available.</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Jo Dobbs, Will Dobbs, and Constermonster at Jo's house. Ceramics // Printmaking // Manga Artist 3 Midgrove Lane, Delph, OL3 5EH 10-4 Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @jodobbscrafts @dobbs_artist @constermonster On-street parking, wheelchair access, refreshments.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Steve Greenwood at The Garage Cafe AI Generated Contemporary Digital Art Unit 1, Saddleworth Business Centre, Delph, OL3 5FV 9:30am-4:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon steve_greenwood@live.co.uk Toilets/refreshments/parking</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Nancy Crilley and Carol White at Frostery Living Textile Art // Watercolour Painting 11 King St, Delph, OL3 5DL 10am-4pm Sat/Sun nancycrilley@yahoo.co.uk carolwhite@gmail.com Toilet and refreshments.</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Richard Clare at Saddleworth Crafts Colourful paintings of Northern England, Italy and France 12 King St, Delph, OL3 5DQ 10-4:30 Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @richardclareart richardclareart@gmail.com Toilets/refreshments</p>	<p>17</p> <p>The Pincemakers' Quilting and Textiles Group and Diana Terry St Thomas Church Quilting and Textile Art // Ceramics and Paintings Church Street, Delph, OL3 5DR 11-4 Sat/Sun/Mon kibey4721@an.leam.com diana.terry@gmail.com www.diana-terry.com Parking/wheelchair access/toilets/refreshments</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Mark Armitage at home Abstract Northern Landscapes 72 Clough Lane, Grasscroft, OL4 4ER 10am-2pm Sat/Sun www.markarmitageart.com markarmitageart@hoomail.co.uk On-street parking nearby</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Artist Group at Bright Futures School for kids with autism. Local Landscapes by pupils, staff, and parents of our talented pupils 11-3pm Sat/Sun/Mon Prestland Road, Greenfield, OL3 7EU jo.green@brightfutureschool.org Toilets/wheelchair access/parking/refreshments.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Celia Gledsdale, Dorothy Clarke, Lydgate Stitchers, Hill Harrison Textile & mixed media artists Bob Hindley, Photographer at Lydgate Parish Hall, 55 Stockport Road, Lydgate, OL4 4JL 12-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon. Refreshments, toilets, disabled toilet, on-street parking.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Springhead Art Group, The Saturday Life Class, The Bands (DIY class for ladies) and Jan's Needle Felting Workshop Springhead Community Centre, Ashes Lane, Springhead, OL4 4PZ Sat 10-1 Sun/Mon 11-4 dave.ralston@tiscali.co.uk Toilets/wheelchair access/on-street parking/refreshments</p>



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RECRUITING NOW

We are now inviting applications for the 2023/24 season.

For more details and to access the online application form,
please visit www.halle.co.uk/project/youth-ensembles-recruitment

or contact:

Minnie Elliott for Youth Orchestra, Youth Choir and Youth Training Choir enquiries
minnie.elliott@halle.co.uk

Jodie Buckland for Children's Choir enquiries
jodie.buckland@halle.co.uk

Please note the deadline for applications is **Monday 6 May 2024**.