



DIGGLE STARS

Edith Chamberlain - For always trying her best.

Alfred Tingay - For greater effort with independent writing to finish a task.

Maddie Brierley - For ALWAYS trying her best in class and for the progress she has made in reading at school.

Dylan Johnson - for an improved effort in class and really trying hard; particularly in English, trying to include the features we have discussed.

James McRailt & Archie Hunt - for a super first week at Diggle School and showing the 6Rs.

Harry Hamilton - For working hard this week to complete work in lesson time and participating well in our CITC thrive session.

Remie Heron - for being resilient in her maths work and always being kind and caring towards others.

HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

You should all now have had communication from your child's teacher in relation to parent's evening, if you have not signed up for a slot please do so. You should also have received an email today with the new consent forms for permission for photographs to be used on Social Media. Please respond to this as soon as you can as from Monday 11th March this permission will override any previous.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Weds 6th March and Fri 8th March - Mother's Day Sale.

Thurs 7th March - Charlie and the Chocolate factory themed World Book Day.

Fri 8th March - Rainbow raffle donations in exchange for class colour non uniform.

Wed 13th March - In Person Parent's Evening 3:30 - 6pm.

Fri 22nd March - Y3 & 4 Hike to Castleshaw.

Mon 25th March - Yr 4 Experience Easter.

Thurs 28th March - Y3 & 4 Roman Day.

Thurs 28th March - Break Up for Easter and Easter Egg Hunt.

Thurs 29th Mar - Sun 14th Apr - Scarecrow Trail.

Fri 3rd May - Olympics Wacky Races.

Thurs 23rd May - Whole school trip to Chester Zoo.

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

Here are
our
amazing
Diggle
Stars!



Percy is recovering from his skiing holiday - he'll be back next week!



Class R

Our new *Dinosaurs* topic started this week, and the children have had great fun learning all about them. The classroom has been transformed over the holidays, with the old reading area now a fossil hunter's den.

The children have continued to practice their cutting skills by creating dino skeletons, and have further improved their fine motor skills by tracing around dinosaur outlines.

We have read the books *How To Grow A Dinosaur*, *The Ravenous Beast* and *Dinosaurs United*. We have also watched a few episodes of *Andy's Dinosaur Adventures* while we ate our fruit and drank our milk. We also learnt 4 amazing words: carnivore, herbivore, extinct and ravenous.

In maths we have been comparing the length and height of different objects. We have used things in the classroom and in the outdoor areas to make comparisons. We have also sorted objects into 'long' and 'short'.



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

Class 1

In English this week we finished off our class text Beegu from last half term and wrote a description of her home planet. We used our senses to write sentences and tried to include interesting adjectives to describe each feature. Later this week we learnt how to write a recount and we wrote our own recounts about our recent visit to the Diggle post office. We made sure we included time adverbials to organise our recount in chronological order. We tried hard to use conjunctions to join sentences and ideas together.

In Maths we began our new topic about numbers to 50. We looked at the numbers from 20 to 50 and spent time filling in missing parts of the number tracks. We then looked at how many tens and how many ones were in the numbers 20,30,40 and 50. We also practising counting in groups of 10, identifying how many groups of ten and how many more to work out the 2 digit number. In Science we learnt the names of everyday materials such as wood, metal, plastic and rock.

In Theme we continued with our Communication topic and learnt about how Carrier pigeons were used in WW1. We learnt about a famous pigeon called Cher Ami who delivered her message even when injured. We wrote messages that soldiers might have sent with a pigeon and then stained the paper with tea to make it look aged.

Class 2

In English this week we were excited to find out about Bob, the Man on the Moon. Bob features in our new class book, which we are looking forward to reading. We found out where Bob lived and used some pictures from the story to sharpen our detective skills by trying to find out a bit more about Bob and his life by using our **reasoning** skills! We labelled Bob's house with noun phrases and learned how to use apostrophes for possession. We also began work in our new independent writing books by working on a simple recount. Spelling this week has focussed on using the suffix ly to change a word into an adverb. In Maths we have been working on multiplication and division by recognising, making and adding equal groups. We began our new science topic of Materials, by sorting and grouping different materials, learning some of their properties and why some materials are suitable for certain jobs and others are not. We also began to learn about Spring festivals and occasions.



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Class 3

This week, Class 3 have been busy learning a new dance in PE, based on Boudicca, ready for their production. In maths, we have been looking at lengths and measures and using these to solve problems. In English, we have used our theme knowledge to write a kenning about a Roman soldier and started our new book 'Escape to Pompeii', using our inference skills to think about characters thoughts and also focussed on vocabulary, thinking about the meaning of words in context, then learning dictionary skills to look up their definitions. We have also had a big push on handwriting. In theme, we used the atlases, looking at place names that derive from Roman times, then put these into alphabetical order.

We produced a poster linked to science, helping people to keep their eyes safe in the sun and keep them safe in the dark. We considered our options and discussed these before selecting how to inform people for our poster.

In computing, we started our new unit 'Data and Information- Branching diagrams', looking at yes/no questions and open questions and how they can be used to sort things.

Class 4

Class 4 have started our workshops with City in the Community this week. The workshops are focusing on mental health awareness, how to deal with conflicts and how to regulate and express emotions in a positive and productive way.

In Maths this week, Class 4 have finished the unit on length and perimeter by learning about regular and irregular polygons. We have also consolidated our knowledge on length and perimeter by answering reasoning questions and problem solving. In Literacy, we have started learning our new class text 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. We have been looking for expanded noun phrases, adverbial phrases, adjectives and adverbs in the text. As well as sentences which describe the setting using the senses. In Theme, we learnt about the true story of the eruption at Pompeii.

In Science, we started a scientific observation. Before the half term, the children learnt about teeth, and continuing that, we set up an experiment to see how different liquids can harm teeth. We are using eggs instead of real teeth and the children had to learn about how variables can affect experiments and what is a fair test.

In French, we wrote a story about 'Grand-mere Denise' who knitted the longest scarf in the world. The children wrote the entire story in French using their vocab of colours and the days of the week. Finally in PE, we started learning a Roman dance ready for our upcoming performance.

Class 5

This week class 5 we have been ordering and comparing decimals. In English we have started our class novel “The Nowhere Emporium” so far we have predicted what we think might happen in the novel, we have also written a character description for the main character. In theme we have looked at democracy in Ancient Greece and have made some Greek vases. In PE we have been learning how to control the ball with hockey sticks.

Class 6

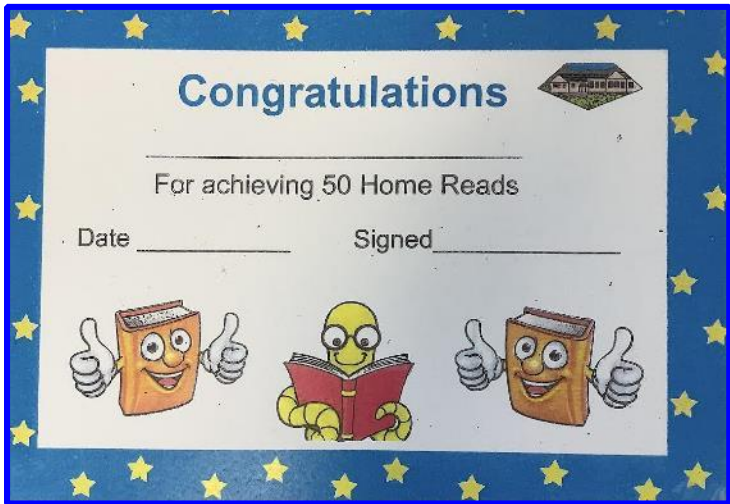
This week in English we have started to read our new class text - The Girl of Ink and Stars. We took some time to make predictions based around the front cover and the blurb. After this we read through the first two chapters and really tried to analyse the text to understand which characters had been introduced and also what clues we were being given about the plot at such an early stage. In maths we have continued to multiply and divide by integers in a range of different problems and we have started the fractions, decimals and percentages topic. In Computing we are looking at how programming works and using scratch to understand variables and how they can change. We have also tried to make some Greek vases, thinking carefully about how to make the correct shape.

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Home Reading Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's 50 and 100 Home Readers...



Special Shout Outs

We love hearing about the amazing things that our children have done outside of school. If your child has done something worth shouting about please let us know. Email leanne.hazlehurst@diggleschool.co.uk or joanne.powell@diggleschool.co.uk and we'll do our best to get them in the newsletter.



This week's special shout out goes to Aurora in Class 3.

Aurora is a keen cheerleader and in half term she competed at the 'Heart of England' competition at Manchester Central.

She competed in 3 different categories (pom, lyrical & hip hop) with her team the Tycoons Allstars & came 3rd, 4th & 5th.

Well done Aurora, we can't wait to see you do the Class 3 Boudicca dance!

Uni-hoc (floor ball) Festival

On Thursday 29th February some of our class 6 children had the opportunity to take part in a floorball festival. They were given the opportunity to take part in 4 different activities that helped them develop their skills: making sure they had the correct grip, learning to push pass the ball, rather than tapping the ball when passing; trying the flick technique to hit the ball onto a target and practising their dribbling technique with increasing difficulty, making sure to keep the ball under close control, using both sides of the stick.

After this the children had the opportunity to put these skills into practise in a game situation against 2 other schools. For our first game we started off really well and found ourselves 3-0 up, but the other team came back and scored 2 goals. After this we needed to make sure to keep our passing accurate and work together as a team to stay in the lead. We managed to finish the game 4-2.



Easter Holiday Club

The 'outstanding' Diggle Holiday Club is now taking bookings for the Easter holidays. Get in touch today to avoid disappointment...

Now taking bookings for the Easter Holidays!
Open Tuesday 2nd April to Friday 12th April 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:

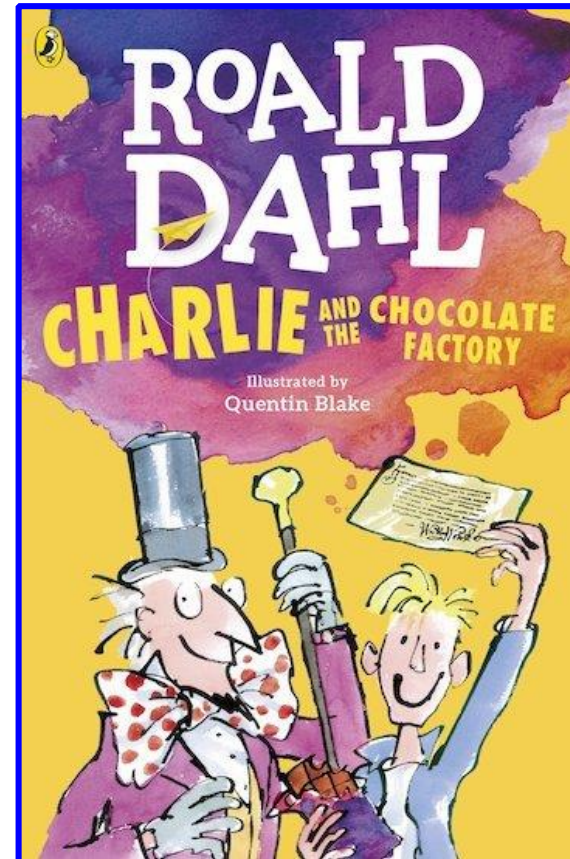
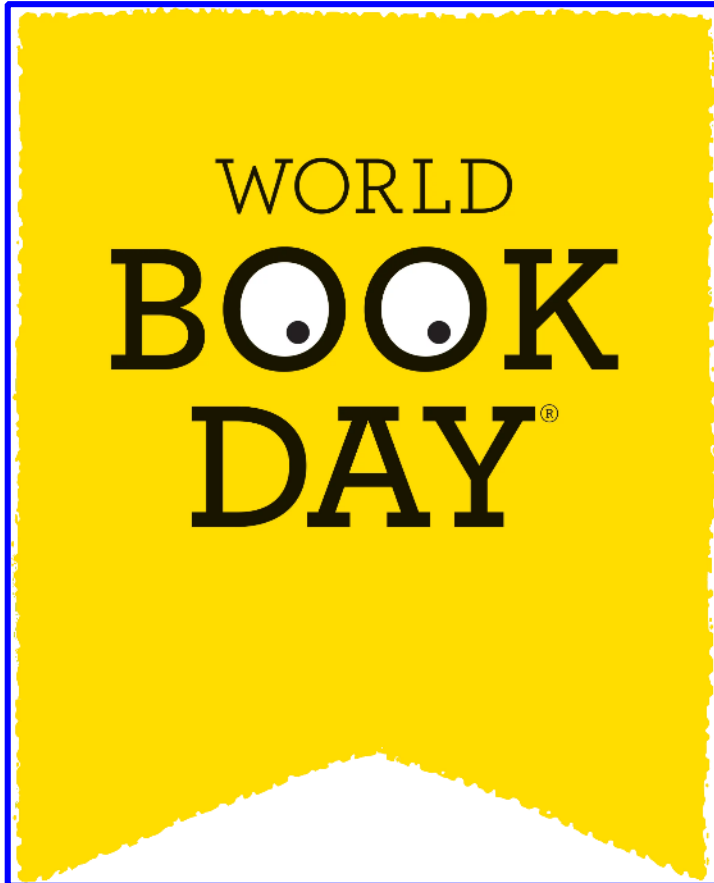
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Children can enjoy our vast outdoor areas and take part in seasonal crafts.
Morning and afternoon snacks/drinks are provided,
lunch to be provided by the parents.



World Book Day

Don't forget..... For World Book Day this year, we are having a Charlie and the Chocolate Factory theme. Please could all children come in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory themed fancy dress. Please don't buy expensive fancy dress outfits, you can dress as anything 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' related. Maybe you could dress as Charlie, or Grandpa, or Grandma, or even just a big sweet!





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Mothers Day Sale



£3 per gift. Gifts can be pre paid for on parent pay from next week.

Gifts for all females of all ages !

Wednesday 6th March

Friday 8th March



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On World Book Day FODS will be holding a very special golden ticket sale in school! Buy a special large bar of chocolate and you may find a golden ticket!

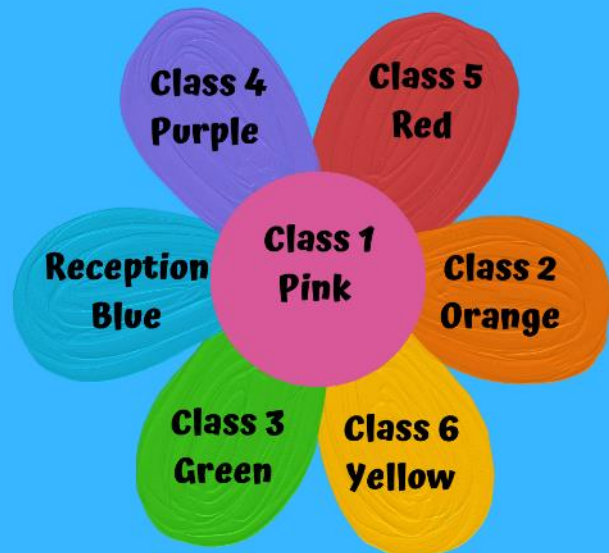


Chocolate costs £2 per bar
Golden ticket bars win a special prize
EVERY child will get a free bookmark and can choose a book!

Chocolate bars can be paid for on the day or on parent pay. Children can buy more than one.



FODS will be holding a Rainbow Raffle this March. We will be holding a non-uniform day in exchange for colour themed donations. Each class will have their own colour!



**Pupils are kindly asked to bring donations in on Friday 8th March in exchange for a non uniform day .
Raffle tickets will be on sale in March
The Raffle will be drawn on the day of FODS Easter Egg Hunt,
Friday 28th March.**

Diggle School Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 28th March
Diggle School Playground 3.20 - 4.30
£3 per child (non school siblings welcome)
Children at school club will get the chance to take part at 4.30
Pay via parent pay by 24th March or entry cannot be guaranteed !
This is a parent accompanied activity

- Find 6 coloured eggs to win prizes
- Find the special egg for egg-stra prizes!
- Tea, coffee, drinks and tuck shop
- Have a photo with the Easter Bunny!

A cheerful cartoon rabbit stands in a grassy field, holding a wooden sign that reads 'FODS FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL'. The background features a blue sky with Easter eggs and a green field with flowers.

Prizes for
best
scarecrows!

Friends of Diggle School
Present The

DIGGLE SCARECROW TRAIL

29TH MARCH - 14TH APRIL 2024

Our fabulous Scarecrow Trail is BACK! A great day out for all the family.

Trail Sheets, priced at £3 are available now from
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/Friends-Of-Diggle-School> or scan the QR code below.

Purchase your sheet then pick up on the day from one of our outlets-
The Gate Inn, Grandpa Greene's, The Diggle Hotel and Diggle Lock.

Follow Diggle Scarecrow Trail on Facebook for up to date car park and weather info and
opening days and times of all venues.

This years theme is

**ALL THINGS
TELEVISION!**

All profits to directly benefit the
children of Diggle School

Registered charity number 1035075

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Easter treats
with your trail
sheet!

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Olympics Wacky Races



And outdoor disco
Friday 3rd May
After school until 5pm



Come and join in the fun on our wacky races!
Compete with your mates to win the silliest
races, then join our fun disco area

Hot dogs/cakes/drinks

tuck shop

KIDS ONLY!

£5 PER PERSON

Available on parent pay soon!

Cut off date for payments is 26th April



Music Lessons

Music lessons have commenced, and fees are now on Parent Pay. Please note that Singing lessons will not start again until after half term and the charge on Parent Pay reflects this planned absence.

Lessons will be 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 12th March 2024, Tuesday 16th April 2024,
Tuesday 7th May 2024, Tuesday 4th June 2024,
Tuesday 26th June 2024, Tuesday 16th July 2024**

Community Wardrobe

Can you help keep a child warm this winter in Oldham?

OCWO are collecting warm new or preloved winter coats to help families in need.

Any queries please contact Sally or Janine 07759139930.





Tan's Tiney Home Nursery

Looking for a reliable Childminder
in Diggle?

High-quality year-round care for
children from 9 months old.
Offering a fun caring, stimulating
and educational environment for
your child to learn and thrive.

Wrap around care for children of all
ages attending Diggle School.
Breakfast and evening meal
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page - Tan's Tiney Home Nursery or get in
touch with any questions or to book a visit.

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TEA TASTING

AT:- KILNGREEN CHURCH HALL

LEESIDE

DIGGLE

SATURDAY 2nd MARCH 3.00pm

TICKETS

£8.00

PER PERSON *Includes light refreshments*

JOURNEY THROUGH THE HISTORY OF TEA

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF TEA TASTING !

WITH GUEST SPEAKER

MR PAUL JEFFERIES

PROFESSIONAL TEA TASTER.

EXPLORING FLAVOURS FROM AROUND

THE WORLD AND HOW TEA GETS FROM BUD TO CUP

TASTE TEST THE TEA ON OFFER



**BOOKING ESSENTIAL
TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE
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