



DIGGLE STARS

Frankie Stevenson - for great progress in reading!

Livia Bennett - for trying really hard to blend sounds in phonics lessons.

Toby Dickinson - for always sitting nicely and being respectful at all times.

Neve Bell - for going above and beyond and choosing to do extra work on our Roman topic and for bringing in interesting resources to share with the class.

Sam Marland - for a mature approach to his learning and contributions in lessons.

Joshua Broadbent - for his work in maths 'grouping' and working independently.

Emily Walsh - for resilience and resourcefulness in all subject areas.

Here are
our
amazing
Diggle
Stars!



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

Thank you for your understanding yesterday during the awful weather conditions. We appreciate your support.

Parent's evening week is the week beginning the 11th March. The in person session will take place on Wednesday 13th March in the school hall between 3:30 and 6pm.

Your child's teacher will be in contact in the near future with the date they intend to run their online session that week.

The first week back after half term your class teacher will ask you to sign up for a slot on Google Classroom so be sure to look out for the email.

Congratulations Class 4. You have won the Percy Pigeon award for this week!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 12th Feb - Science Week

Fri 16th Feb - FODS Science Themed Break the Rules Day

Fri 16th Feb - Break Up for Half Term

Mon 26th Feb - Return to school

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

Wed 11th 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

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



Class R

We have finished off our *Cinderella* focus this week by creating some amazing crowns. We then read the story of *Little Red Riding Hood*. We talked about how some of the versions are different. We then practiced our fine motor skills by cutting and sticking some pictures to order the story. We also thought about what could be in Little Red Riding Hood's basket.

In maths our focus has shifted to the numbers 6, 7 and 8. We saw how these numbers could be represented in different ways and then we sorted pictures into piles. We also played a really fun pairs game with matching numbers and dot cards. On Friday we played another game with beanbags and a bucket to understand the composition of a number (for example, 8 can be made up of 5 and 3).

We finished off the week by watching a Little Red Riding Hood ballet and tried to join in with some of the actions.



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

Class 1

This week in English we began our retelling of the Beegu story. We used picture prompts to help us remember the order of events and we have tried to include a time adverbial at the start of our sentences and use conjunctions such as 'and', 'but' and 'because' to add detail to our sentences.

In Maths we have continued our work on addition and subtraction focusing on subtraction this week. We have used known facts to help us complete subtractions where there are just 10 more. We noticed that if we know $7-3=4$ we also know $17-3=14$. We have also completed subtractions using a number line and looked at finding the difference between two numbers. In Science this week we learnt about how a telephone works. We found out that when the caller speaks into a telephone, the microphone changes the sound of the person's voice into an electric signal. The base sends out the signal through its wire. We tested this out by making some string telephones and had fun using them on the playground.

In art we painted our clay cartouches in gold and chose a bright colour for the base. We will add colour to the hieroglyphics when they are dry.

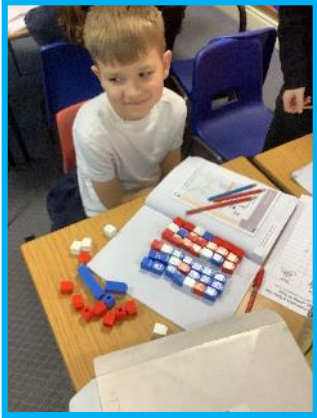
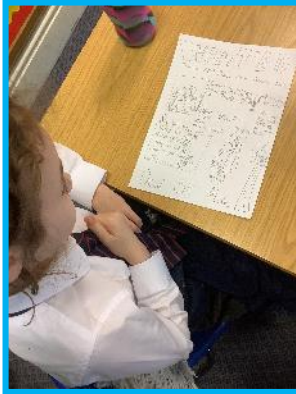
We didn't manage PE due to the heavy snow and lots of us going home early but we did enjoy some exercise in class using just dance.

Class 2

In English this week we have been writing descriptive noun phrases for Wolfie. We also prepared some items for a class display. We were excited to use our special handwriting pens for writing best copies of our letters to Wolfie. We also finished some lovely pictures and illustrations. We worked a little more on suffixes and how they are used to improve our writing. In Maths we continued our work with data and statistics interpreting tally charts, pictograms and bar charts but using our knowledge of 2's, 5's and 10's. We finished our theme of Communication: Then and Now by learning about the post office and following a letter from being written, to arriving at someone's home. We really enjoyed learning about the start of the internet and the world wide web and Tim Berners Lee who developed it. Thanks to the snow we had some time with our carpet toys and jigsaws, as some children had left school early. We worked cooperatively together and produced some lovely lego models. We sent our trains on an interesting journey along the wooden train track. We worked together to add trees, bridges, signals and even a mountain to the route. It was fun!



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



Class 3

This week, Class 3 have been writing a diary entry from the perspective of a Roman soldier. We have researched facts to include in our entries and included feelings and opinions. We used our writing features and wrote in the first person and past tense.

In theme, we looked at Boudicca's rebellion and wrote WANTED posters to help capture her.

In maths, we have been learning how to use flexible partitioning in division, looking for multiples, and have also looked at scaling up, using our multiplications. We finished the week in maths with reasoning questions, using multiplication to help find combinations to problems. In science, we looked at 'silly shadows' identifying why they were incorrect and what they should be.

We enjoyed our last session of rugby with Ciara and developed our programming skills further in Computing, using Scratch. It was good fun writing programs to change the sprite's costume and background!

Class 4

This week, Class 4 have finished off our unit on Multiplication and Division by looking at correspondence problems and different ways to multiply which we can use to efficiently solve multiplication problems.

Our next unit is length and perimeter which the children are feeling confident about. In English, we have planned and written a Diary entry, imagining we are Roman soldiers. The children learnt about the Roman army and were shocked that soldiers had to stay in the army for 25 years!! The children also had to paint the Roman Eagle used on the shields and by the Eagle bearers. In computing, we learnt about procedures and how we can use our algorithms as a set of instructions.

In PE, we have continued with our football skills.

Science was the children's favourite activity this week. We did an investigation into the digestive system and the children had different body roles e.g. mouth, stomach etc. and we replicated the body eating food and converting it to poo. At the end, the children agreed the human body was gross.

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

Class 5

This week in Maths class 5 have been finding fractions of amounts. In English we have been writing our own Greek myths ensuring that we are including writing features such as parenthesis, relative clauses and fronted adverbials. In theme we investigated the difference between Athens and Sparta, we looked at how education differed and what was expected of men and women in each city state. In PE we have continued to develop our yoga routines and learned some new poses. At the beginning of the week we performed our interpretation of the “firebird” at Saddleworth school.

Class 6

This week in English we have been writing our own myths based around characters and mythical creatures we have previously read about. We have been focusing on many writing features as well as trying to make the myths as authentic as possible. In maths we have continued with our algebra topic where we have been learning to form, and then solve, equations that have used letters to represent certain numbers. In SMSC we have also looked at what ‘good value’ means and how retailers try to make the offers look better than they sometimes are. We also enjoyed a sports session taught by Saddleworth Year 10 sports leaders where we had a go at some football, netball, dodgeball and dance lessons that the sports leaders had designed.

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



Class 5 and Halle Connect

Class 5 performed their take on the “Firebird” by Stravinsky on Monday night at Saddleworth School. It was an absolutely amazing evening. The children got to perform alongside three other schools, including Saddleworth School, as well as the musicians from the Halle Orchestra. The children performed really well and showed enormous respect when the other schools were performing. We are very proud of them!



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.

Our first shout out goes to Leo in Class 2. Leo has achieved his 5m backstroke swimming badge. Well done Leo. Keep up the good work!



Our second shout out may seem familiar as it goes to William in Class 2. William has now completed his Silver level swimming badge. Well done William.



Home Reading Celebrations

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



Home Reading Celebrations

Congratulations to the children who this week reached 100 Home Reads...Amazing!



CITC- Football Competition

We thought we'd give you another chance to see some of the amazing photographs from the City In The Community football tournament. Well done again to everybody involved.



Chaucer Writing Competition

The Chaucer Heritage Trust was founded in 1992 and aims to further interest, understanding and appreciation of the works of Geoffrey Chaucer, his life and times and influence.

The Chaucer Heritage Trust is hosting its seventh annual writing competition for schools inspired by the works of Geoffrey Chaucer, considered by many to be the father of the English Language and England's greatest medieval poet.

The special theme of the competition this year is 'Being Part of a Group'.

This is a lovely competition and we strongly encourage as many of our talented students to take part as possible.

There is still time to enter this fantastic competition. All entries must be submitted by 29 February 2024.

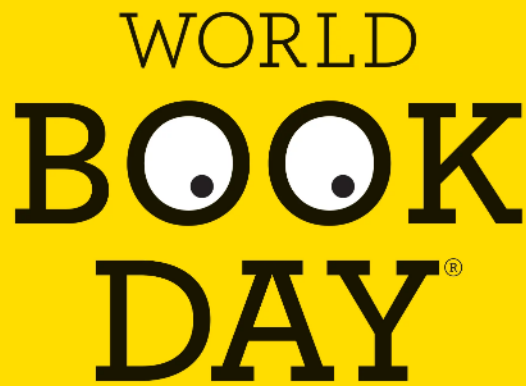
For more information, including all the rules, please take a look at this link:

<https://chaucer.org.uk/the-canterbury-theses-writing-competition-2023-24-being-part-of-a-group/>

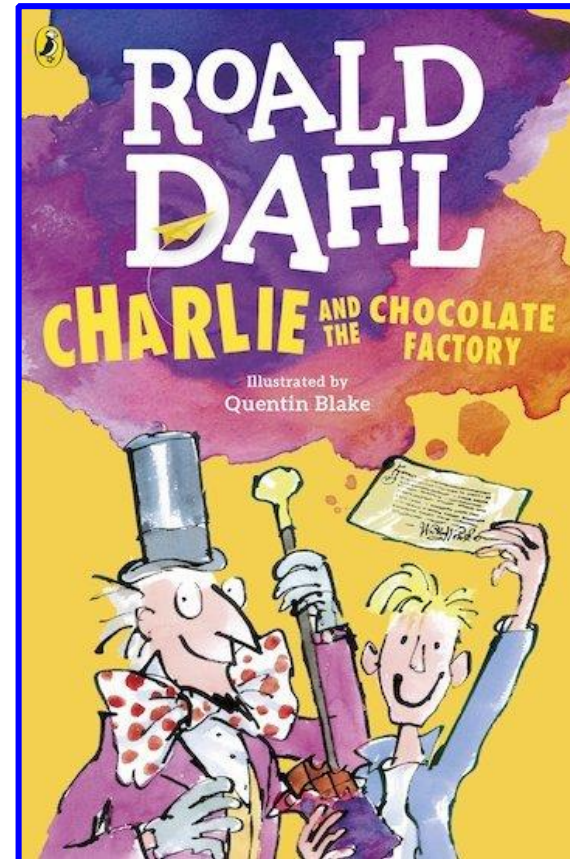


World Book Day

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! FODS will be selling Wonka Bars, will you get the lucky golden ticket?

The logo for World Book Day is displayed on a yellow banner with a scalloped bottom edge. The text "WORLD BOOK DAY" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word "WORLD" is in a smaller size above "BOOK". The letter "O" in "BOOK" is stylized to look like an eye with a black pupil. A registered trademark symbol (®) is located to the upper right of the word "DAY".

WORLD
BOOK
DAY®



Special Valentines Buffet

Last orders for the Valentine's buffet... If your child does not normally have a school dinner on a Wednesday, but they would like to have our Valentine's Day buffet, please could you let the office know by Monday 12th February.

Please note, due to a wonderful Scientific surprise in the school hall, we are unable to provide any other meals on Wednesday 14th!

Thank you.

Valentine's Day Buffet 14th February 24

Assorted sandwiches
Mini sausage rolls
Pizza fingers
Nibbles
Valentine's cookies



Don't forget all the amazing things FODS have got planned for the children...

Science Week

Break The Rules day!
Friday 16th February



1. Dress as something science related!
2. Wear a crazy hairstyle
3. Bring chocolate or sweets to school
4. Bring a fun drink to school
5. Wear face paint, glitter or temporary tattoos
6. Paint your nails
7. bring a toy, game or teddy to school
8. Wear silly accessories



50p per rule or £3 to break ALL 8 rules !

Please pay £3 on parent pay or
bring your money in a sealed envelope and give to your
teacher.



FODS
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

FODS
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

*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



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!

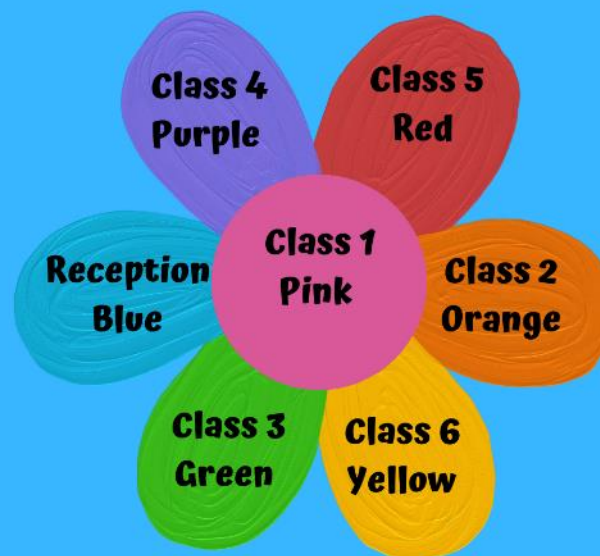


Chocolate costs £2 per bar
Golden ticket bars win a special prize
EVERY child will get a free bookmark and can choose a book!

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!



Prizes for
best
scarecrows!

Easter treats
with your trail
sheet!

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



FEOS
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL



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 16th January 2024, Tuesday 6th February 2024, Tuesday 27th February 2024, 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.



Half Term Holiday Club

Time is running out to book your place for the 'outstanding' Diggle Holiday Club this February Half Term. Remember, places are limited, so don't delay.

Now taking bookings for February half-term!
Open Monday 19th February to 23rd February 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.





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
offered.

For more information please visit my facebook
page - Tan's Tiney Home Nursery or get in
touch with any questions or to book a visit.

Tel: 07873628734

Email: tanstineyhome nursery@outlook.com



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

PLEASE CONTACT;- SUZANNE 07733 335784

