



DIGGLE STARS

Harry Hamilton - for hard work and fantastic improvement in his maths work!

Phoebe Tinker - for using her resilience all week and being confident to try activities.

Eloise Powell - for super writing and including expanded noun phrases.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



Welcome back to the last half term. This Year has really flown by. There are some new dates on the *Dates For Your Diary*. This last half of the summer term is always packed with lots of events and activities. It would appear that some parents were not aware of our *Dance Through the Decades* and open afternoon until it had been sent out as an actual email, despite it being on the newsletter for a number of weeks previously. Can I ask that if on Class What's app groups parents complain about not being aware of events, those of you who do read this every week let those parents know that events are advertised well in advance on the newsletter and encourage people to read it. I hope you all have a wonderful Whit Friday weekend, there will be a number of pupils both past and present out with various bands on Friday morning and evening so be sure to give them a big cheer when they pass.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 10th June - Whit Friday - school closed

w/c 13th - FODS Father's Day Sale - see poster for details

Wed 15th-Fri 17th - Y6 Kingswood Residential

w/c Mon 20th - Sports Week all week
(see separate letter for details)

Wed 22nd - Y3 Come and Play

Mon 28th - Welcome Evening –
6-6.30/6.30-7pm
(an overview of the new school year with your child's teacher from Sept)

Wed 29th / Thurs 30th - Transition days
(previous newsletter had correct date but wrong day – sorry)

Tue 19th July - Year 5 and 6 production
at Kiln Green 2pm and 6pm
(tickets will go on sale soon)

Wed 20th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly
9am

Finish for Summer Holidays



Class R

This week Class R started their new topic 'Under the Sea'. We read the story 'Stary Eyed Stan' and picked out all the sea creatures, describing what they looked like. We then used a map to identify land and the ocean, placing sea creatures in the correct part! We then started to make very long paper chains for the Octopuses legs which will soon be visiting our classroom!

In literacy, we have been focusing on what a perfect sentence looks like. We had to write sentences which described a scene from under the sea, we had to make sure it had full stops, capital letters and finger spaces!

In Maths, we have been exploring the number 15, understanding that it is made up of numbers 1 and 5 and there are 1 ten and 5 ones. We have also been recapping our number bonds to 10, just as a reminder!

In Phonics we have recapped our new set 3 sounds, ea, oi, ae and ie.

In RE, we have started to explore our wonderful world! This week we discussed what nature is and then went on a nature scavenger hunt to see what we can find. This week our word of the week was 'Sinking'. We discussed what this means and how the opposite is floating. We then tried our own experiment and discussed why the heavy things sunk and the lighter items didn't.



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

Class 1

This week in Maths we have been completing assessments to see what we have remembered from our learning before half term. We have completed assessments on addition and subtraction, place value, capacity, time and position, direction and turns. In English we have been playing lots of phonics games and reading lots of real and nonsense words to prepare us for our phonics screening check at the end of this week.

In Theme we started a new topic about Australia. We started our lesson by looking at photos of different places in Australia without knowing where they were. We used enquiry dice to ask and answer questions about what we could see and then we found out that these were all places in Australia. We located Australia on the globe and then labelled it and its surrounding oceans on a world map. We then completed a KWL grid as a class to make notes on what we already know about Australia and what we would like to find out. In Science we went on a tree hunt around the school grounds. We collected as many different leaves as we could find and then brought them inside to identify what trees they were from.

Class 2

This week in maths we have been checking our understanding of tens and ones. We recapped adding and subtracting tens and ones using different methods, then moved onto using them to solve one and two step problems. In phonics and spelling we have explored words where o is written as a after w and qu. We had to crack the code to spell different words. We also wrote our news as we all seemed to have been quite busy over half term and there was lots to say! We tried hard to use our secure spellings and best handwriting. This week we started our new geography theme by learning what countries, continents and oceans are. We named countries around the world that we already knew or had visited. We used an atlas to identify and place different countries, continents and oceans on a world map and globe. We learned that Turkey and Russia are countries which are in two continents! We played a game to help us, labelled a map and completed a quiz. We will be studying Australia in more detail and began by finding out the names of its different states and territories and fun facts. We used the ipads to investigate questions we had.



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Class 3

On Monday, we wrote letters to the Queen to tell her how much we enjoyed our Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We posted them and are eagerly awaiting a reply. From our class text, Class 3 have designed a poster to persuade people to buy 'Froboscottle' and looked at how the author uses vocabulary in *The BFG* to give detail and create images. We wrote expanded noun phrases to describe 'Dream Country' and put them into a paragraph or sentences. In maths, we have been learning about different lines: vertical, horizontal, parallel, perpendicular and diagonal. We have loved our time in Forest School; building animal shelters and finding bugs and finishing with a BBQ feast on the fire- thank you Mr Ryan.

Class 4

Class 4 have been spending lots of time on TT Rockstars this week in preparation for the Multiplication Check next week. We feel confident that we will do our best. In science we began our new topic 'Sound' and used grains of rice on drum skins to see how all sounds are caused by vibrations.

We also watched a video of a tuning fork in a glass of water. For SMSC we started our topic 'Growing Up' and looked at the male and female reproductive parts. We looked at the ingredients needed to make a baby (which is called a foetus when in the womb). We practiced our catching and under-hand throwing in PE for rounders and we finished our coding unit by creating a programme full of difficult commands.

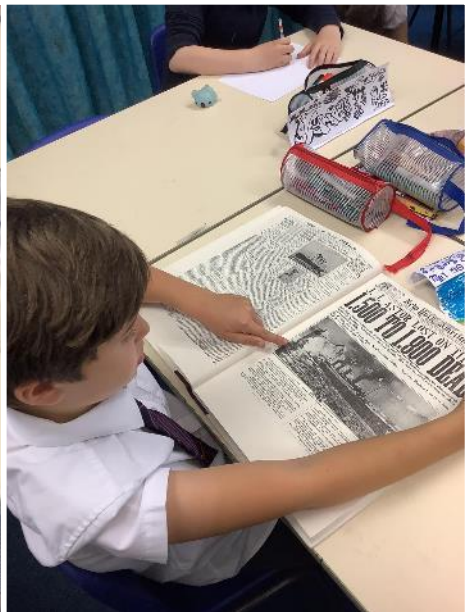
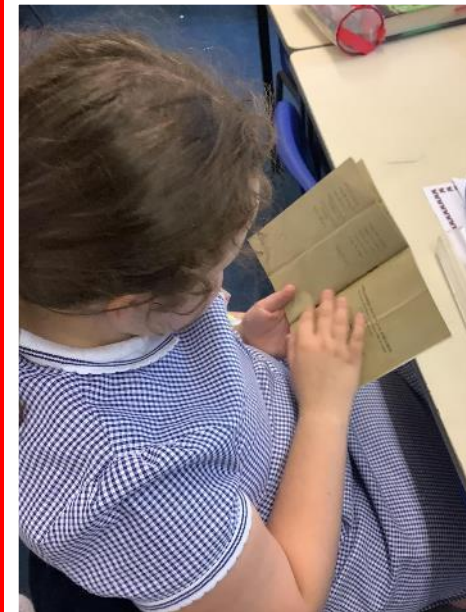
Class 5

In maths this week we have been practising our rounding skills and have been rounding numbers up to 1 million. We have to think carefully about what happens to the different numbers but have all shown great resilience with this. In English we have looked at our understanding of prefixes and how they change the meaning of words. In Science we have recapped sexual and asexual reproduction. We also joined class 6 in learning the songs for the Year 5 and 6 production of Oliver.

Class 6

This week in Maths we have been solving a range of word problems thinking carefully about the calculations we would need to do in order to solve the problems. In English we have created our non-chronological reports about the Titanic, thinking carefully about our presentation. We have also started to learn some of the songs for the production of Oliver and have even managed to get out into the garden to trim the hedges and pull up any remaining hedges. We have also accepted a generous donation of 60 sleepers from InXpress which will help us create some planters for the garden.

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Sports For Champions sponsorship forms

Before the half term break, all the children watched a video in school all about the Sports for Champions visit we are having as part of Sports Week. They were all also given a sponsorship booklet all about the programme.

We are delighted to be welcoming Olympic Gymnast Daniel Purvis to school as part of Sports week.



Daniel will be spending time with the children, and as per the sponsorship form, various incentives are provided to encourage the children to raise money.

The money raised is split between the school and the athlete via Sports for Champions.

There is a QR code for donations or you can send a cheque payable to Diggle School Fund.

If you use the QR code, you will be asked to type the name of the school into a search box and then once selected you will be taken to our sponsorship page. Please return forms and money to class teachers by Monday 20th June.

Forest School fun

Class 3 have had a great week of Forest School fun designing and constructing bug and animal shelters, searching for habitats and collecting bugs and sharing our findings and knowledge. Amongst our finds were flies, ants, worms, snails, slugs, red mites and even an orange ladybird! We finished the week with a BBQ feast on the fire.

Thank you Mr Ryan for a fantastic week of learning and fun!



Notices

Music Lessons

If you want your child to have small group music lessons from September - both existing and new learners, please return the forms ASAP.

Parent Pay

Please check your balances, and clear any outstanding items. We are carrying quite a bit of debt at the moment both in BASC fees and dinner money. We will have to ask children go onto packed lunches and stop using the BASC service for continued unpaid debts in these areas.

Names in clothing

As the weather improves, the children are discarding their coats, jumpers and cardigans, especially when playing outside. If your child's name is not in their clothing, we cannot return it to them. Please make sure all coats, jumpers and cardigans have your child's name in them.

Sun hats

Please ensure your child has a sun hat or cap in school to wear in the sunny weather. We try and make use of the outside space in school as much as possible.

Outdoor footwear

Please check with your child that their outdoor footwear fits them and wellies do not have splits in. All children need wellies or walking boots in school for outdoor play. There is no doubt that our glorious British Summer will include some rain!



FATHERS DAY SALE

Tuesday 14th June
Wednesday 15th June
Friday 17th June

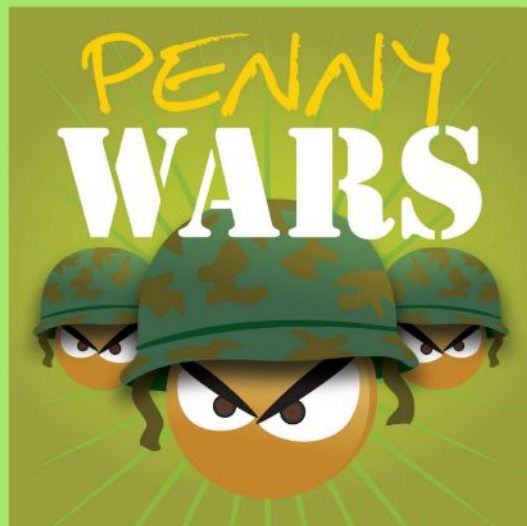
As usual, FODS will be selling gifts in school for all the special men in your lives! Gifts are £3 each. For KS1, please send money in a sealed envelope marked FODS. KS2 can bring money in an envelope or purse.



Start saving your pennies...

Penny Wars is back!

Monday 19th - Friday 30th September



Work together to win your class a prize! Prize to be chosen by the winning class.

**GAIN points by adding 1p and 2p coins to your class jar
LOWER other class totals by adding silver coins to their jar**

**Copper coins
ADD to the class
total**

**Silver coins
SUBTRACT from
the class total**

FODS will add up all copper coin totals and deduct silver coin totals to determine which class is the winner.



SAVE THE DATE!

**THE GREAT DIGGLE
JUMBLE TRAIL**

SUNDAY 10TH JULY, 10 - 4 PM

A jumble trail is like a jumble sale but on your street! Stalls can be laid out in your garden (front or back as long as well signposted!), drive or front path. Stalls cost £5 - your house can then be added to the trail map. Trail maps will cost £1 to buy and will show all houses having a sale. You can sell anything from bric-a-brac, clothes, shoes, household items or cakes, drinks etc. If you would like to join in please email

digglejumbletrail@outlook.com

ALL PROCEEDS ARE TO GO TO THE DIGGLE BAND CONTEST COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023 BAND CONTEST

