#### DIGGLE STAR - 10.03.2023





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#### **All of Class 1** - for their amazing effort, ideas and hard work in producing our class book!

All of Class 3 - for an amazing practise, and performance at the Choral Speaking Festival.

**Brooke Sloan** - for some excellent work on her division in maths.

**Edward Russell** - for showing great enthusiasm in his Theme work this week.

**Cara Hamilton** - for a fantastic effort on producing the front cover for our class book.

**Klara Boon** - for working hard on snow day while having lots of fun! And asking lots of interesting questions about dinosaurs.

#### **HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS**

It has been a snowy end to the week. I apologise for any inconvenience caused by either the early closure of BASC yesterday or the school closure today.

The vast majority of staff do not live within walking distance of school and I made the decision last night that I did not want parent's children or staff on the roads after dark bearing in mind the weather forecast. Having seen how the weather deteriorated once darkness fell I am glad I made that decision.

I am sure that alongside engaging with their online learning, many children and parents will have hopefully found the time to enjoy the very plentiful snowfall today. Be sure to send your child's teacher some photos of your child's creative snow play. You can see some of the ones that have already come in, further down the newsletter

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday. If there is still snow on the ground please send your child with either waterproof trousers or a change of trouser to play out in. A soggy bottom all day is no fun for anyone!

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

W/C 13th Mar - FODS Mother's Day gift sale

Tues 28th Mar - Music tuition children performance am

28th & 29th Mar - Class 3 & 4 performance 2pm

Thurs 30th Mar - DLP Concert

Fri 31st Mar - FODS Easter Egg Hunt. Finish for Easter

**Easter Holidays** - FODS Scarecrow Trail

Mon 17th Apr - Back to School

Tues 23rd May - Class Photos

W/C 12th June - FODS Father's Day Gift Sale

**14-16th June** - y6 to Kingswood

18th July - y5&6 performance 2pm & 6pm



#### Class R

This week in Class R something very exciting has happened...something laid an egg in our classroom. The children were certain it was a dinosaur due to the tracks that were left in the classroom. We talked about different animals that lay eggs and how we could look after the egg to keep it safe.

Mrs Bradbury didn't know anything about how to look after dinosaur eggs so we tried to find people to help us. We learnt that palaeontologists were scientists that know a lot about dinosaurs and so decided to write a letter to the palaeontologists at the Natural History Museum about the egg.

We wrote the letter in small groups thinking about what questions to ask.

The rest of the week we have been investigating all the different types of dinosaurs and learning about the world they lived in...it was very different to our world. Australia was snowy!! The children really enjoyed role playing as their favourite dinosaurs. In Maths, we have been looking the number 6 and all the different ways we can show 6. The children really enjoyed playing different dice games linked to this. In PE, the children have continued developing their ball skills by pretending to be builders. The children had to scoop up small balls and other objects and make something interesting. The children showed really good imagination and team work when building their masterpieces. We also practiced some dinosaur yoga and build up or gross motor skills.

Finally, we had a snow day. Snow is a fantastic resource and the children have sent Mrs Bradbury lots of pictures of their snow writing and wonderful den building.



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

#### Class 1

This week in English we became authors and illustrators in order to create our class book called "Heroes and Villains." We worked in groups to plan our stories and then took turns to compose sentences to tell the story. We then chose who would be the writer and who would be the illustrators in each group and worked hard on our handwriting and drawing. We spent three full days on this and we can't wait for you to read our book! We have also completed lots of phonics and handwriting activities. In Maths we have practised subtraction using a number line and completed some green pen work to look back at our corrections.

In RE we learnt the story of Bilal and the beautiful butterfly which explains how Muslims believe Allah created the world. We then thought about how the world should be looked after and shared our ideas.

In SMSC we thought about acts of kindness and considered ways that we could show kindness to each other.

#### Class 2

This week we used our class book, 'Man on the Moon' to predict what other jobs Bob may have to do by thinking about what we had read so far. He must lead a very busy life! We also wrote rules for tourists visiting the moon. We turned them into posters using command verbs. We are hoping to 'hot seat' being a tourist and send some postcards home from the moon.

We completed our space leaflets and learned the names of two astronauts, Neil Armstrong and Tim Peake which we are researching for homework.

In Maths we worked on some problem solving skills using counters, odd numbers and addition puzzles. It was tricky but fun. We needed to use a lot of **6R** skills such as **reasoning** and **resilience**!

We were very excited to see the snow arrive on Thursday and school was closed on Friday! We did some activities at home instead including some detective work to search for animal footprints in the snow, building a sledge for a toy using household materials and drawing and labelling a snowy day picture with good noun phrases.











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#### Class 3

This week Class 3 completed the book we started on World Book Day. We are very pleased with our finished product and can't wait to see it published! In maths, we have been learning how to multiply a 2 digit number by 1 digit. We and a great time at the Oldham Coliseum when we performed on stage at the Choral Speaking Festival. The children were amazing! We have done a lot of inferring and predicting in English; predicting what characters may look like and writing descriptions for them.

#### Class 4

The highlight of Class 4's week was our amazing trip to the Oldham Coliseum to take part in Oldham's choral speaking festival. Getting the chance to perform in such an iconic venue - before it shuts for good - was a real honour, and class 4 (and 3) did the school really proud with their poetry recital. In maths we have really focussed on division to work out calculations. We have used tens and ones counters to help us. In English we continued reading *Bewilderwood* and in SMSC we used our empathy skills to imagine how we would feel if we were Chiwa - a Malawian girl who has to stay at home to help her family. For those that went swimming on Thursday afternoon, we learnt how to play water polo and had great fun putting our new skills to the test.

#### Class 5

This week we have begun our work on division and the class has really got to grips with this. We hope to finish this early next week and move on quickly. In our English work we finally finished our book for World Book Day. We really utilised the class's collective skills to get this done and the commitment from the class was really impressive. We have now begun work on writing from the perspective of an object and the class really enjoyed the story about the laptop! Our Theme work has also continued and we started looking at longitude and latitude in our Americas topic. In science we looked at water resistance and are ready to get stuck into next week's friction experiment.

#### Class 6

This week in Maths we have been looking at statistics, in particular reading and interpreting data shown on lines graphs and dual bar charts. In theme we have located specific countries in North and South America and have also found their capital cities. We are continuing our learning over the weekend where we have each been allocated an American state to research and we will share our findings next week. In English we have been working extremely hard to finish our class book. We really had to think about the content due the the page restriction which really taught us about proof-reading and editing and why it is important. In PE this week we continued with our fitness sessions, we found and measured our resting and active heart rates and discussed why this changes and the importance of this. The children were led by a warm up by Dylan this week who did a fantastic job in getting us all warmed up together our bodies ready for the main activities.

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#### **Notices**

#### **Staff Carpark**

Please can parents passing through or waiting in the staff carpark ensure their children are not playing around the parked cars.

Thankyou

#### **Parent Pay**

As we near the end of the financial year, please can everyone make every effort to clear any outstanding debts from ParentPay.

All Autumn and Spring term music fees should be paid in full. BASC debts should be cleared, and all dinner money accounts should be in credit. BASC payments via childcare vouchers and taxfree childare have all been update this week, so barring very recent payments, Parent Pay is up to date, so please make sure your child's account is in credit.

All debts still in place by early March must be reported to the Local Authority as part of the year end accounting process.

#### **Reading Volunteers**

We are looking for parents or grandparents who are able to offer sometime to school to come in and support staff with listening to children read. If you have even half an hour a week to spare and would like to come in and listen to children read, we would love to hear from you. Please either drop the office or your child's class teacher an email to express an interest. We will provide support to anyone who wants to come in including getting them a DBS check. We do operate a policy of not putting family members into their children's class.



We had fun in the Snow this week at school!













### Snowy work at home day fun!





























































# Everyone welcome to a MOTHERING SUNDAY FAMILY CRAFT MORNING KILNGREEN CHURCH HALL LEESIDE, DIGGLE

SUNDAY 12th MARCH 11.15am - 1.45pm



CRAFT ACTIVITIES You are welcome to bring a light lunch to eat in our cafe area

Mini Jolly stick frames

Little Pocket Hug

Card for a Special Someone

Fridge magnet Gift basket

Flower Craft



To reserve a
Place for your Child

of for further details
Contact Suzanne on:
07733335784

£3.00
Per each child
Payable on the day



#### Now taking bookings for the Easter holidays!!

Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023 (please note we are closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday)

8.45am - 5pm £26 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.













## Diggle School Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 31st March

Diggle School Playground 3.15 - 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!



Friends of Diggle School
Present The

# SCARECROW TRAIL

**1**ST - 16TH APRIL 2023

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

Trail Sheets, priced at £3 will be available from lots of different outlets in Diggle Village from April.

Follow Diggle Scarecrow Trail on Facebook for more up to date information nearer the time



This years theme is

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All profits to directly benefit the children of Diggle School

Registered charity number 1035075

