DIGGLE STAR - 12.05.2023





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DIGGLE STARS

Lucy-May Grange - for trying really hard, especially in maths

Heidi Watson - for an improved attitude to learning. Well done!

Harry Heywood - for super listening and working hard in maths

Paige Harris - for working hard, especially in writing

Class 5 - for making a superb effort to help Year 6 during SATs week



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



This week has been a busy one, particularly for our Year 6 class who have been sitting their SATs every morning this week. They have started each day with a superhero pose and gone onto to give every single paper their very best shot. (Even the really yucky reading paper was tackled with resilience and a smile.)

Food has played a big part in getting them ready each day with a wonderful hot breakfast provided by our fab chef Mr Tillett. So a big thank you to him for helping ensure we were all well fueled. (Staff as well as children!)

And this afternoon they celebrated their Eurovision country Italy by eating Ice Cream at Grandpa Greene's.

Very well done to all the children and staff, you have all worked your socks off this week.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 23rd May - Class Photos

10th June - FODS Colour Run

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

14-16th June - y6 at Kingswood

Mon 26th June - Open Day

3rd July - Welcome Evening 6-6.30pm/6.30-7pm

18th July - Y5&6 performance 2pm & 6pm

20th July - FODS Make the Rules Day



Class R

This week Class R are have focused specifically on 'people who help keep us safe', and firefighters. We talked about what firefighters do and how they keep us safe and read the story 'Charlie the Firefighter'. The children really enjoyed the visit from the fire brigade and seeing the fire engine up close. They were able to recount loads of details demonstrating good speaking and listening.

We created our own fire engine based on the engine from the visit and what the children had seen, to use in our role play area. The children painted it and added a few finishing touches. They continued to work together to put out loads of fires (which they had painted and collaged with tissue paper) around our classroom.

In Maths, we have been using tens frames and practicing our number bonds to 10. The children enjoyed finding hidden natural objects and counting them using the tens frames and their knowledge of number pattern. We also started to look at numbers beyond ten and built the teen numbers with the Numicon.

Finally, it was Eurovision afternoon on Friday and the whole school were involved. In Class R our Eurovision country was France. Some children shared memories of holidays in France. We tried different French bread or 'le pain', played with French toys like Winnie l'Ourson and had a Tour de Diggle on the trikes outside. The children also had lots of fun having a Eurovision dance party and listening to this year's Eurovision finalists.



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

Class 1

This week in English we have finished writing our final sections for our fact file about the Great Fire of London ready to put it all together next week. In Maths we have been continuing our work on multiplication and division by recognising and finding equal groups, practising our doubles and using equal groups for grouping and for sharing. In Theme we have been learning about firefighters past and present. We had a very exciting visit from the firefighters! They showed us their protective clothing and modelled how they get it on so quickly. They also showed us how to test a smoke alarm. We went outside to look at their fire engine and saw the huge ladders, the different hoses and where all the water is stored. We also got a surprise when they squirted the hose on us and sounded the siren! The next day we compared the equipment used for fire fighting in 1666 and today with a sorting activity. In Science we checked on the progress of our beans that we planted last week and started our bean plant diaries.

Class 2

Class Two have had an exciting week, the firefighters came to visit Diggle School! We found out why firefighters leave their trousers attached to their boots and how to test a smoke alarm. Outside we learned that 1,800 litres of water is carried in the fire engine and that the ladders can extend very high.

Can you believe that the firefighters shocked us all by squirting us with water and sounding the siren? We thanked them for visiting us by writing thank you letters which have been sent to the fire station. On Friday we found out about Spain which was our Eurovision Song Contest country. We looked at each other's homework which was to research about Spain. We coloured flags to wave whilst we listened to The national anthem. We watched and danced along to the Spanish and UK entries for Eurovision. We investigated

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Spanish food through a song and discovered chicken is eaten
with chocolate! Finally we learned some basic flamenco. This
week has been wonderful. Ole!!











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Class 3

This week, Class 3 have used a chapter of thief book 'The Strange Worlds Travel Agency' to inspire a story of their own, linked to a character in 'Journey' both of which include visiting other worlds. In maths, we have been looking at reading scales and mass. We enjoyed learning about Ordnance survey maps, grid references and symbols in Geography and using the Commando Joe equipment in PE to solve a problem.

Class 4

Class 4 started our new book *Journey* this week in English. We studied the front cover and the opening few pages and wrote some sentences including direct speech. In maths we have continued working really hard on fractions. We have compared equivalent fractions and then added mixed numbers. We experimented with batteries, wires and bulbs in our *Electricity* unit in science and we created a spending storyboard in our *Money Matters* SMSC topic. We finished the week with some Ukraine-themed task in preparation for the Eurovision song contest this weekend.

Class 5

This week has been hard work! We have continued with our decimals and have now got a really good grasp of rounding to one decimal place. Next week we start percentages. We also began to plan our version of a poem linked to our science work

It's all about tigers and we based it on The Tyger by William Blake. We have gathered lots of ideas and will write next week. In Science we have continued our work on plant fertilisation looking at pollination. Lastly we learned some German in our Eurovision afternoon.

Class 6

The children in class 6 have been absolutely fantastic this week. The grit and determination they have shown towards their SATs has been amazing and was made easier by their tasty bacon and sausage sandwiches made by Mr Tillet each morning! They have enjoyed their afternoons relaxing and doing things they enjoy; painting, drawing and playing sports.

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What a lot of FODS Fun at the Wacky Races and Disco

FODS wacky races took place on the Friday before the coronation...and what a fun time was had by all! We were very lucky that the weather held off and all year groups had a super time joining in the races, beating down the door at the tuckshop and singing and dancing with gusto! we will let you know how much was raised as soon as we have the figure.. thanks to all the staff who helped out and even joined in the dancing!



Diggle School Eurovision Afternoon!

Each Class chose at random a country that made it into the final of Eurovision 2023, hosted in Liverpool. Here are some of the photos from our Eurovision Afternoon:

Class R - France

Class 1 - Sweden

Class 2 - Spain Class 3 - Austria

Class 4 - Ukraine

Class 5 - Germany Class 6 - Italy













































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Notices

Parent Pay

Thankyou to everyone who have ensured their Parent Pay balances are in credit, or have paid Music fees on time. It is appreciated.

Please can everyone ensure their BASC and school dinner balances are in credit, and remain in credit, and all music fees are paid for Autumn and Spring. Summer term music fees are now.

If you haven't already done so, please consider setting up the Auto top-up feature in Parent Pay which ensures you do not slip into debt.

If your child is in Year 6 and you use BASC, please check your balance and ensure you are adjusting your payments to *aim* to finish the year without debt or credit. This is very important if you pay by Tax Free Childcare or Childcare Vouchers - these payments cannot be refunded due to the tax implications.

Welcome Evening

This year's welcome evening will be held on Monday 3rd July. There are 2 sessions - 6-6.30pm and 6.30-7pm and will be held in school. Each session is the same, but allows for parents with children in more than one class to visit 2 classes. Please just come to school in time for the meeting to start at either 6 or 6.30. These sessions are for parents - children do not attend, and are an opportunity for you to meet the class teacher for the new school year in September, in the new classroom, hear about what will happen in class, the routines and expectations, and an opportunity for you to ask any questions.

(Please note for parents of new class R children, the welcome evening will be on Tuesday 4th July as per the welcome letter you should have received today)

Young children needing the toilet at school drop-off and pick-up

If you bring a young preschool child with you to drop-off or collect and they need the toilet, please can we ask you bring them to the main entrance to use the toilet and not let them urinate in the school playground.





£7 per person running. This includes T. shirt, sunglasses, colour pouches and medal.

Fun warm ups!

Medals for all

Race with your class!

Parents can race with children



Food Bar Tuck shop Stalls Tombola Music Now taking bookings for May half - term!

Open Tuesday 30th May, Wednesday 31st May & Thursday 1st June 2023

(Please note we're not open the Bank Holiday or Whit Friday) 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.











