



DIGGLE STARS

Natalia Thirlwell - for being a perfect role model to the other children.

Harrison Bowen - for making the right choices and being very **responsible** this week.

James Rothwell - for his fantastic contribution in the rounders tournament this week.

Annabelle Blackman - for excellent effort with handwriting and presentation this week.

Edwin Harrison - for trying hard this week, preserving with his handwriting and making good choices.

Minnie Cadogan - for an excellent Tiger poem full of simile metaphor and alliteration.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



As we head into what will hopefully be a period of better weather, I just wanted to remind you of the things that it would be useful for your children to have in school each day.

Water bottles are a real essential as the temperature starts to warm up, children often come back in from playtimes hot and thirsty and it takes a long time to get them all a cup of water. However, if they have their own bottle this saves lots of time and ensures your child always has a drink to hand when they want one.

Sun hats and sun cream are also really useful to have in school, along with a light showerproof coat. Children often come to school with no coats as the weather warms up but then sudden unexpected showers (This is Saddleworth!) can be a problem. Hats and cream can be kept in trays or in a carrier bag on your child's peg, along with a shower proof coat and so left in school.

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 in Class R we have been focusing on 'People who help keep us healthy' and our word of the week has been 'healthy'. Our role play area has become a Doctor's Surgery and the children have discussed which 'real heroes' keep us healthy other than doctors, nurses and dentists e.g. mums, dads, teachers, scientists etc. The children were really engaged when looking at the human body and drawing around their friends and labelling the different parts. We talked about in groups different types of doctors who look after different body parts e.g. an audiologist looks at ears. The children also looked at a famous figure from the past this week. Due to our focus for the week, we decided to look at Florence Nightingale. The children were really quick to identify that she was dressed differently and other differences between the past and present day. The children were shocked that before Florence Nightingale soldiers had stay in stinky beds with rats! We created portraits of Florence Nightingale inspired by the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo using healthy fruits and vegetables. We also wrote a class poem about Florence Nightingale, using our knowledge of rhyming words.

In Maths, we have been strengthening our knowledge of numbers to 20 and sequencing the teen numbers. The children enjoyed jumping up our number track. We have also been practicing addition by playing skittles. The children were able to record their own scores and add the number together to see who had the greatest amount.

In PE the children were pretending to be heroes and travelled around the space in different ways. They also continued to develop their coordination and strength, while practicing ball skills.



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

Class 1

Class 1 have been working hard in English over the past two weeks writing, improving and presenting our fact files about the Great fire of London. We finished them this week and we are very proud of them. In Maths we have been learning about fractions focusing on halves and quarters. We have learnt to recognise a half and a quarter of a shape or object and practising finding a half and a quarter of a shape, object or amount.

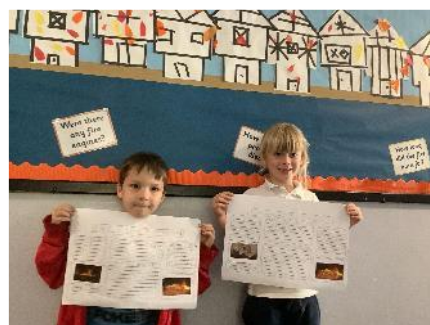
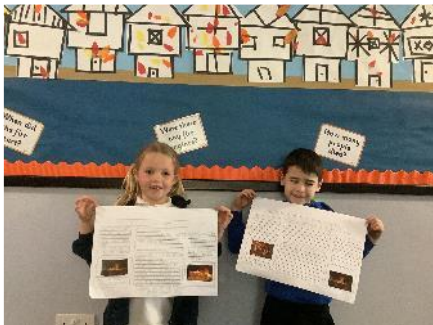
In Theme this week we learnt about what happened after the great fire. We found out that King Charles 11 made a decree to promise the city would be rebuilt. We found out that 65,000 people were left homeless in London as a result of the fire. We designed plans for how London should be rebuilt and decided the houses should be more spaced out and made of bricks. In Science we went outside to find out what the most common wild plant was in our school grounds.

Class 2

Class Two have been learning about seeds and the life cycle of plants in our science lessons this week. We observed seeds closely with a magnifying glass and learned about what each part of the seed does. We looked at the lifecycles of a sunflower and a dandelion. We learned each stage of the plants life and then watched time lapse photography to see how the plant grows from a seed, flowers, dies and produces seeds again. We started a sunflower diary ready to plant our own seeds very soon.

Our maths work this week has focused on learning checks in arithmetic and reasoning. We have worked hard and surprised ourselves with how much progress we have made and also found out what we still need to practise. We have also begun some work on statistics.

In reading, we have continued to learn about finding evidence in texts to help understand what we read. We read about firefighters and also found out what to do if there is a fire.



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Class 3

This week Class 3 have enjoyed learning about rivers and mountain ranges, locating them using an atlas and plotting them on a world map. As part of their learning, they enjoyed a video from a friend of Mrs Spencer who is currently in Nepal after trekking to Everest Base Camp. They loved the fact he had recorded it especially for them!

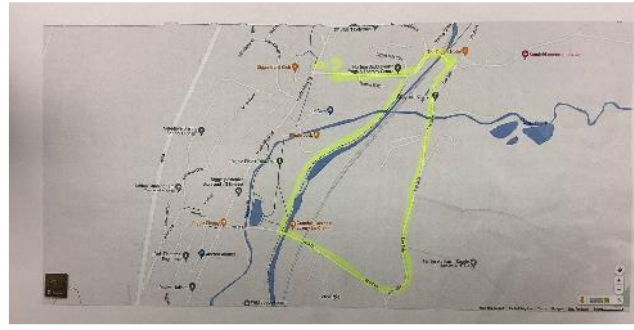
We also enjoyed a walk around Diggle, using our map reading skills and having time on the assault course as part of our PE unit on Outdoor Adventurous Activities. Our second PE session also combined Geography, using our compass points. In maths, we have been learning about scales and capacity and improving our times table knowledge.

Class 4

In theme this week, we learnt the word 'hemisphere' and used atlases and globes to look at the equator. We then researched a country on the equator, listing its capital, its flag and its average temperature. We began our decimals unit in maths and worked really hard identifying tenths on number lines, as fractions and on place value charts. We built sentences in English based on the next pages of *Journey* and in science we looked at conductors and insulators.

Class 3's walk around Diggle

This week, Class 3 put their map reading skills to the test when they followed a map on their walk around Diggle. We identified symbols along the way and spotted them on our walk.



Class 5

This has been a busy week. Mathematically we finished our work on decimals and percentages as well as doing a maths quiz where all the children worked really hard and cooperatively to do this. In writing we wrote and finished poems about a tiger using simile and metaphor. During Science we investigated plant reproduction and took cuttings. We also researched Death Valley, California in our theme and lastly took part in our Daily Mile for a our Class Pledge to the London Marathon.

Class 6

This week in English we have looked at the features of a balanced argument and focused on the question: should animals be kept in zoos? The children had a really mature attitude about this topic and thought carefully about the arguments for and against and we debated the issue first before writing the argument out. In science we have looked at scientific circuits and carefully drawn these circuits using the correct symbols. In computing we have continued using the app Tinkercad, where we have learnt how to create hollow objects and have used this to create a desk tidy.

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DLP Rounders Competition

This week we had 2 teams represent Diggle in a DLP rounders competition. The children were split into 2 different groups and took part in a round robin competition. The winner of each pitch then took part in a final. One of teams was successful in reaching the final against Delph and after a very close games the end score was Diggle 3 ½ and Delph 3.

All the children had a great time and it was great to see them all supporting and encouraging each other. Thank you for all parents who helped with lifts and also collecting children after the event.



Diggle School - World Record Attempt!

This week, Diggle School teamed up with the London Mini Marathon and Guinness World Record Breakers to try and break the record for the number of pledges to exercise within a time period. All the children pledged their name, then completed their Daily Mile towards this. I wonder if we've broken the record? Watch this space...



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.

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)

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.

Please remember:

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH DAY is TUESDAY 23rd MAY!

Freebies *Conversations*

WELL BE FEST

Everything wellbeing under one roof

Young People

Sunday 21st May
12pm to 4pm

THE SATELLITE CENTRE, GREENFIELD,
SADDLEWORTH
OL3 7AL

Pop-up café

FREE ENTRY *Samba Drumming*

Family

LISTEN TO OUR SPEAKERS

Including:

- Debbie Abrahams MP •
- CAMHS •
- Andy's Man Club •
- Heidi Flack •
- MIND •
- Local Mental Health Services •
- SPECIAL GUEST
tba •
and more!

Workshops

Health Checks

Stalls and information

Massage

Wellbeing Garden

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COLOUR RUN!

Saturday 10th June

Registration from 1pm

Races start at 2pm

On the school playing field

Tickets must be pre-paid on ParentPay by Friday 26th May.

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

Fun warm ups!

Medals for all runners!

Food Bar

Race with your class!

Tuck shop

Stalls

Tombola

Music

Parents can race with children



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.





FODS

FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL



Fathers Day Sale



£3 per gift

Money must be bought into school in a sealed envelope on the day of sale.

Gifts for males of all ages !

Monday 12th June

Wednesday 14th June

Friday 16th June



~~Break~~ Make The Rules Day!



Thursday 20th July

In a twist on our normal Break The Rules Day, each class will get to make their OWN set of rules ! These will be chosen with your form teacher..you can choose 8 new rules to make (within reason, of course!)

£3 to make all rules available on parent pay



FODS

FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

I'm Noah I am 8 and live in
Oldham with my foster carers
Julie and Paul.

My sisters are 5 and 6
they live with us too

We don't live with our mum and
dad any more as dad used to
hurt me.

Julie and Paul take good care
of us and keep us happy and
safe. Julie is a good cook and
always likes to sing when
she's cooking and Paul
helps me with my homework.

Sometimes they take us on
holiday camping and we
have the best time

I like living with
Julie and Paul.

love
Noah



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Becoming a foster carer with us
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Holly Grove Children's Centre

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T: 0161 470 4230

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Saddleworth West and Lees Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4252

Saddleworth North and South Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4246

Shaw and Crompton Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4295

Spring Meadows Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4260

Stanley Road Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4305

St James Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4255

Stockbrook Children's Centre

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Werneth Children's Centre

T: 0161 470 4287

Useful contacts:

Oldham Council

T: 0161 770 3000

www.oldham.gov.uk

We Can Help – Support for Oldham Families

T: 0161 770 7007

Primary/Secondary admissions

T: 0161 770 4213

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Oldham Parent Carer Forum

T: 0161 503 1555

www.point-send.co.uk

Oldham SENDIAS Service

T: 0161 503 1540

www.SENDIASS.co.uk

Oldham Lifelong Learning Service

T: 0800 525 956

Citizen's Advice

T: 0808 278 7803

Tax Credit Helpline T: 0345 300 3900

NSPCC

T: 0808 800 5000

www.nspcc.org.uk

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T: 0161 621 9400

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www.oldham.gov.uk/gow

Jobcentre Plus T: 0800 169 0190

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<https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-dentist>

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