DIGGLE STAR - 01.10.2021





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DIGGLE STARS

Natalia Thirlwell - for great contributions to class discussions and answering questions with more confidence, particularly in Theme.

Oliver Shearing - for being resilient this week and for doing some super maths work.

Jasper Cooney - for excellent work in Maths and always being ready to learn.

Isaac Edmondson- for listening to and following instructions and always trying hard.

Ollie Blair - for always giving 100% into everything he does and contributing well in lessons.

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Dylan Warren - for a massive boost in confidence and being a fantastic interviewer.

Annabelle Banks - for always following the 6Rs and being kind and considerate to others.

Thomas Hampson - For giving 100% in every lesson



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



Please can I thank all the parents who are unflinching in their support for us as we continue to battle to keep Covid 19 out of school as far as is possible.

As a school we have been told by Public Health England that any child who feels unwell in anyway should be advised to go for a PCR test. A huge thank you to all those parents who without question have taken their children for tests over the last few weeks.

We have had another positive case this week and once again, that child did not present with one of the three known symptoms. This child merely felt sick.

I recognise that getting a PCR can be difficult, but if we are to keep as many children in school as possible everyday, then we must continue to be vigilant.

Please remember to be respectful to the office staff whose job it is to ring parents and ask them to get these tests, they are just trying to keep your children safe.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 15 Oct - Class R Superhero day

Thurs 21 Oct - Finish for Half term

Mon 1 Nov - School reopens

w/c Mon 8 Nov - Parents Evening Week

Thurs 11 Nov - Nasal Flu Vaccines

Mon 13 Dec - Panto day

Tues 14 Dec - Effort Grades sent home

Wed 15 Dec - Y1&2 Christmas Performance 2.15-3.00

Thurs 16 Dec - Y1&2 Christmas Performance 9.15-10.00 and 11.00-11.45

Thurs 16 Dec - Y 3&4 Christmas Party

Fri 17 Dec - Class R Nativity am and pm performance times TBC

Mon 20 Dec - R 1 & 2 Christmas Party am

Mon 20 Dec - Y 5&6 Christmas Party PM

Tues 21 Dec - Christmassy Non-Uniform and Christmas Dinner Day

Tues 21 Dec - Finish for Christmas.

Thurs 6 Jan 2022 - New Term starts



Class R

This week Class R have been exploring the school grounds and we even went into the forest. We looked around our environment and started to identify things we can see in Autumn. We made our own autumn trees using our hands and paint. We spent time making our own superhero passports for our superhero day, identifying what we are good at as our super power. In Maths, we started to investigate the number 2. We linked this to RE and saved the animals from the flood outside and put them on Noah's Ark. After this, we learnt the song 'The animals went in two by two, hoorah hoorah!'. We also started to look at ABAB patterns and started to make our own with paper chains. In phonics we have started to blend our sounds together, this was very tricky! In PE, we were dinosaurs protecting our eggs and practiced our running from different islands.

Class 1

This week in English we have been reading the story of The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch. We have written a shopping list for Mrs Grinling and tried hard using our phonics to spell each word. We have also used picture prompts to help retell the story orally. We have also practised using our green pens to make corrections and improvements to our work. In Maths we have continued our counting in tens and have started to count in 5s. We looked at the patterns on the 100 square and noticed how each number ended in a 5 or a 0. We enjoyed playing the counting in 5s duck shoot game on the ipads. In theme we have learnt about the difference between human and physical features. We sorted some pictures of Southport according to whether they showed a human or physical feature.

Class 2

This week in Class 2 we have been practising how to use capitals and full stops to write accurate sentences. We have written postcards from the seaside to our friends and invitations to a Fairy Tale ball, we did well! We have continued working on our important spellings, this week tackling more tricky words and using phonics to help us spell more accurately. In our maths work we have been consolidating the use of number lines to count on and

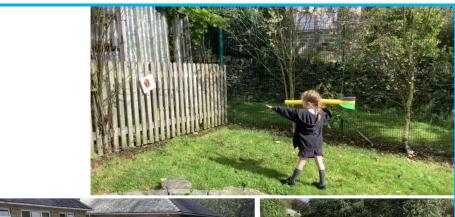
back to add and subtract by playing games and challenging ourselves with a speed test. We have also tackled some number bond problems using counters, dice and addition and played an incy wincy spider game to race each other up and down the spout!. For some activities we had to use our **reasoning** skills and explain our thinking.

Our focus phonics this week have been oo, ar, or and ur. We have read and written real and nonsense words and had fun learning sounds with Geraldine the giraffe.





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









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Class 3

This week, Class 3 have been learning about food in the Stone Age. They have researched different foods they would have eaten and the seasons they would have been around, and also how they would be cooked. Class 3 became 'Hunter Gatherers' in the school grounds then to see if they could hunt and gather enough food to survive. Luckily they were good aims with the 'spears' and collected lots of fruit, seeds, leaves and berry cards so they all survived! Children used their knowledge to then produce a menu including cooking methods and weapons and tools to hunt/prepare the food. We also made stewed fruit to see how it would have tasted. In maths we have been handling datas, collecting information from the class, putting it into tables and charts and learning how to draw information from them.

Class 4

In maths this week, Class 4 have been using the inverse to work out addition and subtraction problems. We have used bar models to help understand problems too. We learnt the mnemonic MRS GREN to remember the 7 life processes in science. We also used the term 'organism' to describe a living thing before completing a Venn Diagram to group them. For SMSC we looked at resolving conflicts and role-played some different scenarios while in PE we continued our unit on 'invasion games' by practising dodging and spacial awareness. We researched Stone Age food in science and had really good fun producing a menu! We even tried some delicious 'prehistoric' fruit stew on Friday afternoon!

Class 5

This week in English we have been working hard looking at different writing features which we can include in our writing; using brackets and relative clauses. We have then used these techniques and included them in a wanted poster which they have produced for Grendel. In maths we have been working on our mental maths skills, trying to add increasingly larger numbers in our heads as the week has progressed.

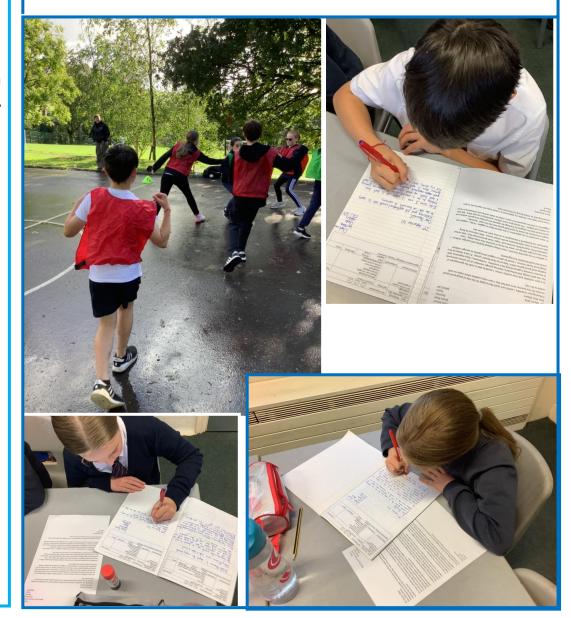
In Science we have learnt how day and night occurs, trying to use the correct scientific vocabulary to explain this to others. We have continued practise hockey skills in PE this week and really enjoyed trying to keep close control of the ball as well as trying to develop our 'push pass.'

Class 6

On Friday we did rugby skills in PE and we learned what invasion games are. We had lots of fun and we also did backwards passing. In English we wrote job applications and interviewed each other for the job of being Beowulf's warrior. We did long division in maths this week. In science, we have been classifying our own made up animals into groups. We have been drawing a viking or a viking long boat and creating a timeline of Viking events.

By Dylan W and Jack

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Flu Vaccine Forms

The flu vaccine forms went out a few weeks ago. Thank you yo all those parents who have already returned them. If you have not yet returned your form please do so as soon as possible. If you don't wish your child to have the vaccine you still need to return the red form and if you do want your child to receive the flu vaccine return the green form.

School meals

Those of you who look at our facebook page will have noticed some of the kitchen's culinary delights being showcased throughout the week.

If your child would like to sample a school dinner they are able to without commitment - they simply need to let their teacher know what their meal option is during morning registration.

The menu runs on a 3 week rotation and is on the school website. Meals are charged at £2.40 / day for years 3-6 and meal accounts need to be kept in credit.

This week you have received an email via Parent Pay with a special Halloween menu - if your child usually has a packed lunch but would like a halloween dinner please let the school office know so we have an idea of numbers.

Diggle Olympics Team

A Huge WELL DONE to all the children who participated in this year's Saddleworth Village Olympics.



The Saddleworth Olympics is a wonderful community event that the children love to take part in. The team were thrilled to have so many enthusiastic children on the Diggle team this year. The Olympics is run by a team of volunteers and relies on fundraising to enable events to take place. To help raise much needed funds to support the Diggle team, there will be a raffle at the presentation evening on Saturday 16th October. We would be grateful for any donations of prizes to this very worthy cause.

If you are able to contribute then please send your donation into school by Wednesday 13th October - a box will be available in the school hall to collect the donations in Thank you so much.

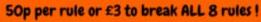


THURSDAY 21ST OCTOBER

BREAK THE RULES AT



- 1. You must not wear silly clothes or fancy dress
 - 2. You must not wear a crazy hairstyle
 - 3. You must bring a healthy snack to school
 - 4. You must drink water at school
- 5. You must not wear face paint, glitter or temporary tattoos
 - 6. You must not bring teddies to school
 - 7. You must not stand up in class and tell a joke
 - 8. You must not wear silly accessories



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

Trick or Treat bags will also be available to buy nearer the time.









PRESENTS

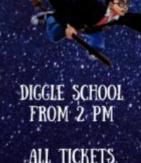
HOGWARTS AT HALLOWEEN

SATURDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2021

I SOLEMNLY SWEAR THAT I AM UP TO NO GOOD

DON'T MISS OUR MAGICAL HARRY POTTER WIZARD SCHOOL EVENT! HANG OUT IN THE GREAT HALL AND BE SORTED BY THE SORTING HAT TAKE SOME MAGICAL LESSONS WITH OUR HOGWARTS TEACHERS, VISIT HONEYDUKES FOR SOME SPECIAL TREATS AND EARN YOUR END OF SCHOOL REPORT!

TICKETS AND MORE DETAILS WILL BE ON PARENT PAY SOON! MISCHIEF MANAGED!



ALL TICKETS.



