



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



I hope all our children and families have a lovely summer break. Good luck to all our leavers and we wish you all well for the future.

If any children who have been in school this week test positive or show symptoms between now and Friday, please let Mrs Newton know on head@diggle.oldham.sch.uk. Should you have a conversation with test and trace, please inform them that school are continuing with the test and trace responsibility this week with regards to other children in the class.

We return to school on Monday 6th September, and look forward to seeing you all ready for the start of a new school year.

Take care, stay safe.



Goodbye Year 6 - enjoy making new friends and great memories at secondary school

Goodbye to Mrs Ladley and Mrs McGregor who have now both retired. They have both given a long and valued service to Diggle School. We say a huge Thank You for all they have done for the staff and children while they have been here, and hop they enjoy this new chapter in their lives.





A HUGE thank you to FODS for pulling together the Great Big Birthday Party; as all the children had missed out on their birthday parties over the last year, they all had one together! Every class was given their own box of party games and big bag of balloons. The party bags were amazing, and every child received a "birthday present" from FODS. THANKYOU again to all the FODS team.



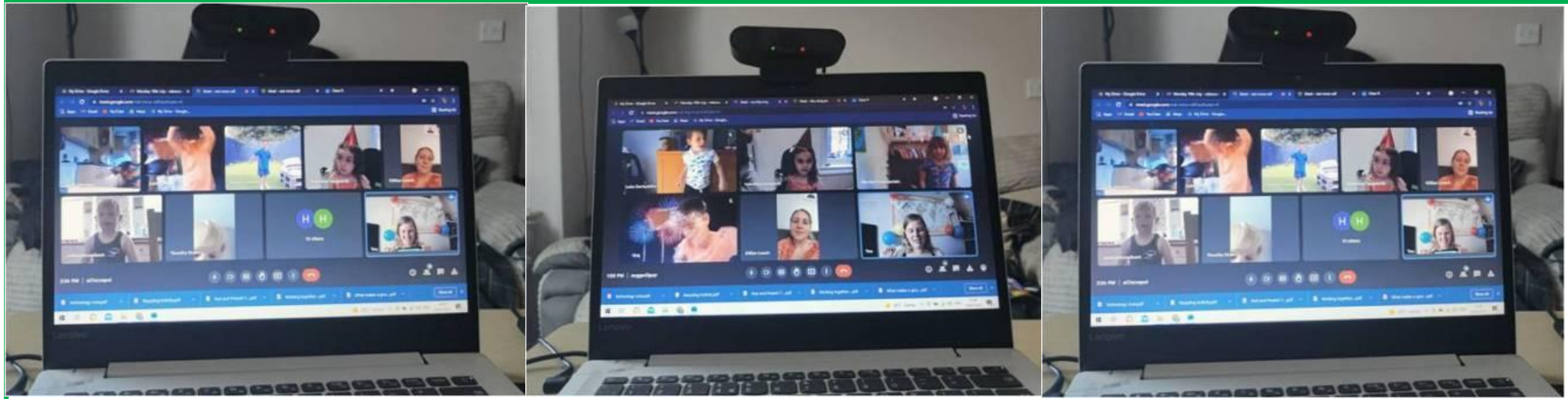




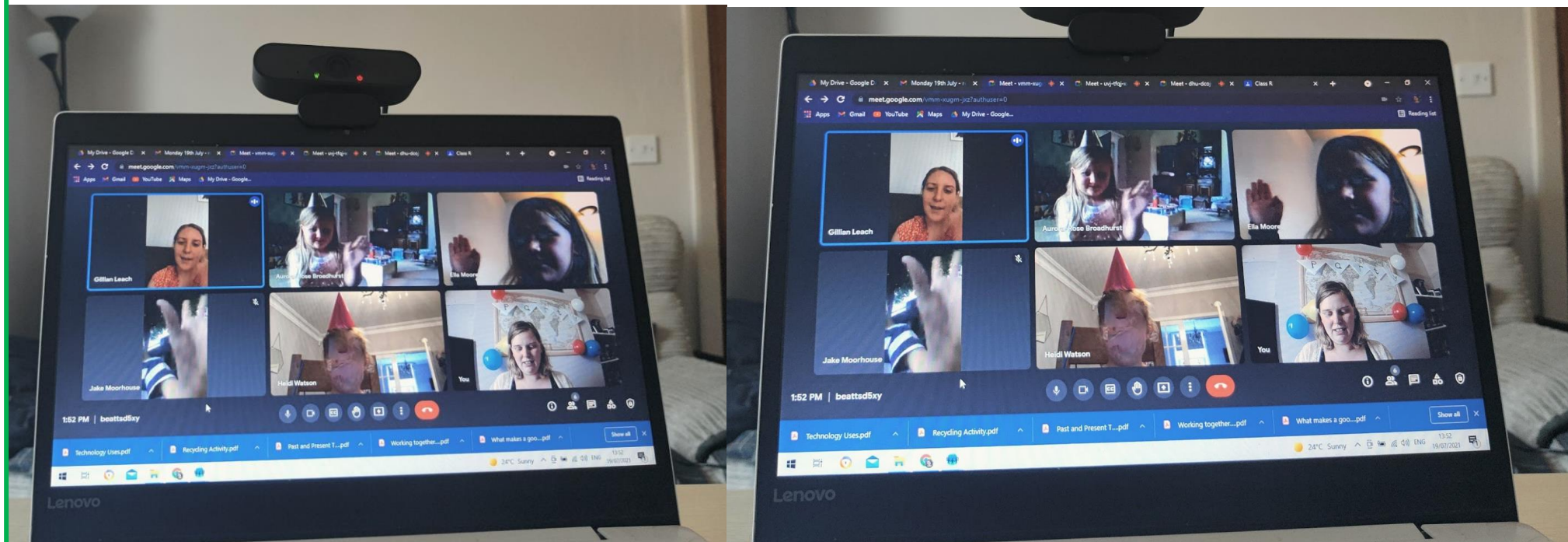








Even though some of our classes were unfortunately isolating, the party still happened at home and via Google Classroom. If you haven't collected your party bag yet school is open all day Wednesday for staff training.





FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

2020/21 IN REVIEW

WHAT WERE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS USED FOR?



NEW RECEPTION PACKS



KS1 CHRISTMAS BOOKS FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS



YEAR 6 LEAVERS TRIP COACH

VIRTUAL PANTOMIME FOR ALL YEARS AT CHRISTMAS



YEAR 6 LEAVERS BOOK AND CONTRIBUTION



COMMANDO JOES



CITY IN THE COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION



CONTRIBUTION TO EACH CLASS FOR CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



SPECIALLY MADE CLASSROOM ELVES



FODS BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY

THANKYOU FOR ALL YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND FOR VOLUNTEERING. WE COULD NOT DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!

Thank you to all the parents, carers, families and friends to have participated in these events ... without your contributions, this would not be possible.

Remember you can add to the fundraising pot without any additional cost to yourselves by simply by making FODS your Amazon Smile charity, and by using the Amazon Smile website.

Thank you to everyone in FODS from all the staff and pupils at Diggle School, to the organisers, and those who have helped out at events.

All the money raised goes back into school to benefit the children. If you want to help out, let the FODS team know - friendsofdiggleschool@gmail.com



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HOW DID WE FUNDRAISE?



£489.05 HALLOWEEN BREAK THE RULES

£277.02 TRICK OR TREAT BAGS

£408.67 XMAS CARDS



£213 BAGS 2 SCHOOL

SPOOKY

£5388.57



£1100

SPOOKY TRAIL

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

£123.90

RUN FOR FUN



£75 AMAZON SMILE



£265.63 BALLOON RACE



Kids rule! £470



BREAK THE RULES DAY

£300 FODS BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY



AN AMAZING £9,110.84!!!!

Every year we present a series of awards to Year 6 which recognise those who go above and beyond in all aspects, not just the academic. To read more about the awards and where they came from look at the school website in the About Us section.



The Milton Prize for Creative Writing
- Lucy Cox

Lucy's written work has always been of a high standard right from the infants; she was writing stories in Class R. Her writing in Year 6 has completely blown me away. There have been times that it has sent shivers down my spine - to achieve that is pure talent. She was writing at greater depth level right from the beginning of Year 6.



The Elizabeth Lawson "Good Egg" Award
- Jessica Thirlwell

Jessica ALWAYS follows everyone of our 6Rs. She is always incredibly polite and does the right thing. She puts 100% effort into all of her work and takes pride in everything she does. She is a great friend to everyone and can be relied on to be responsible and caring. Her behaviour is exemplary is the perfect role model for others.



The Mathematics Award
- Charlotte Heydon

Charlotte has always worked incredibly hard, especially in maths. Charlotte would practice different concepts at home until she had absolutely nailed them. Charlotte also asked if could she sit the maths SATs paper (despite the tests being cancelled). Without having had any practice of sitting the tests, she achieved greater depth and this is due to her resilience and dedication.



The David H. Wood Memorial Prize for Music
- Grace Wallace

Grace has been a member of the school choir, orchestra and brass band in her time here at Diggle. She also attended 5 note band and went onto join music centre groups. Grace does all this without a song and dance. I really hope this award inspires you to keep singing and playing as you go through life.



The Lachlan Ashworth Award for Kindness
- Mia Howarth

Mia has shown kindness throughout her school life. If someone needs help, she offers it without question, whether that be for a member of staff or another child. She will go out of her way to show kindness to others. Mia is also very caring and will support her friends and peers when needed.



The Shipp Award for Contribution to Sport

- Toby King and Emilia Sivori

As most of you know I struggle every year to choose just one person for the sports award and choosing for this Year group has been even more difficult due to the lockdowns we have faced over the past 2 years which has resulted in us not being able to take part in the number of sporting activities as we would have liked. So I have had to use previous knowledge about you and also get some help from the other teachers this year.



This award is for someone who always gives 100% in all aspects of sport and last year did represent school in Y5 in the football team and also the sports hall athletic tournament and I have witnessed first hand the sportsmanship and encouragement they can provide to their teammates. It is for someone who shows a great dedication to sport outside of school as well playing cricket, football and basketball just to name a few of the sports I know they take part in. This is for Toby King!

My second award is also for someone who gets involved in all sports which they learn in PE and also provides encouragement and support to others. Someone who I hope continues to enjoy their love of football just as much as I do and continues to pursue their dream. If she gets as far as I think she can it would be an honour to watch her some day - although I cant guarantee I will wear a Manchester Utd shirt for her! Emilia Sivori!



With Covid rules in place, we couldn't send off Year 6 with the usual way. Our y6 leavers assembly was held outside (thanks again for the sunshine!) and it was lovely to be able to welcome the y6 parents into school for this special (and emotional) event. The staff had pre-signed the children's shirts, and the y6 children signed each others in class before they put them on. The school assembly was held outside at the end of the day, with the classes all spread out, and as we couldn't make the usual tunnel for year 6 to leave from, we all cheered and clapped as the y6 children took a last lap of honour of the Daily Mile track ... and made their own tunnel to leave out of! Covid may have changed a few things, but Year 6 had a great send off all the same.

