



DIGGLE STARS

Raeya Heron - for kindness, giving one of her plants to someone whose plant had not grown.

Aurora-Rose Broadhurst - for detailed map work designing and drawing an African Game Reserve.

Harry Bennett - for an excellent piece of writing on Badlanders.

Minnie Grange - for being extremely brave and showing great resilience whilst at Kingswood.

Theo Heap - for making good choices and volunteering to help others.

Evie Boon - for trying not to rush her work and taking more care to check it.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



We are looking forward to welcoming everyone into school once again on Monday for the third Open Day of the year. We are hoping that lots of you are planning to join us.

Please note that as we only had an Open Day a few weeks ago and you will be getting your children's books sent home to you in a few weeks at the end of the term, we are not putting books out in the hall this time.

Classrooms will be open 9am to 10 am in the morning and 2pm to 3pm in the afternoon. As we have been using a new maths scheme this year the days activities will be focused around maths.

Be sure to check out the article further down the newsletter announcing our new year 5 teacher, she will be here in Year 4 for Open Day on Monday.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 26th June - Open Day

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

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

- **Tickets on sale Monday**

Thurs 20th July - FODS Make the
Rules Day

Fri 21st July -
Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9-10am
Children finish for summer
holidays



Class R

This week in Class R, we have continued to look at our Minibeasts topic and have been focusing on Ladybirds and butterflies. We also have had some exciting additions to our classroom, Ladybird larvae. At the moment they are very small but hopefully they will keep growing and in a few weeks we will have adult Ladybirds to release into our Forest school area.

The children have enjoyed learning about the life cycles of both Ladybirds and butterflies and looking at stories linked to them such as *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle.

In Maths, we have been practicing our doubling linked to Minibeasts. We have reminded ourselves of what doubling is and our doubling facts to 10. The children used giant Ladybirds and the gems to put double the number of spots on the ladybird - with some children experimenting to see doubling facts past 20. The children also used the mirrors to double their drawings and played a doubling dice game. We have also looked at symmetry linked to butterflies - The children were really enthusiastic to paint patterns on a butterfly template and fold it over to transfer the pattern to the other wing.

In PE, there was a dinosaur theme linked to our previous topic. The children used their previous knowledge to move around like different dinosaurs and then we had lots of fun playing multi skill games - such as protect your egg, where the children had to kick a ball around with controlled kicks and if a t-rex came near them - they had to quickly sit on their egg.



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

Class 1

This week in English we have been writing our own version of 'Lila and the secret of rain.' We planned some changes to the problem in the village, the secret that grandfather tells to Lila and how the problem is solved. We had some fantastic ideas for things that could be a problem in a Kenyan village such as a wildfire, birds eating the crops, and predators hunting the village animals! We have shown some real stamina for writing whilst building this story up a day at a time.

In Maths we have been learning about money. We recognised the coins and notes and learnt about their values. We compared amounts of money using the greater than/less than symbols and calculated how many pennies we would need to be the same value as a ten pence/twenty pence and then how many pound coins we needed to be the same value as a £10 note. We discussed why notes were useful for larger amounts of money. We also counted up coins to find a total. In Theme we have been learning about the physical features of Kenya.

We found out about the Savannah, the mountains and the beaches. In Science we learnt the names of the different parts of a plant. In Art we painted African animal print patterns.

Class 2

This week Class Two have been learning all about about national parks and game reserves in Kenya. We found out what they are and the differences between them. We designed our own national park or game reserve which included a compass rose, map symbols, colour code and places to stay. We also made sure to add physical features such as rivers, mountains and plains.

Maths has included work on position and direction linked to our map work. We have also been using the rulers to measure in centimetres and metres. We measured ourselves and discovered that the tallest children in our class also have the largest feet. We compared and ordered objects according to height or length and solved some simple problems using measures. We took our sunflower seedlings home this week. We are going to record their progress in our sunflower diaries and share how much they have grown later in the term. In PE we worked on jumping. We learned techniques for long jump and hurdles and had some good team events. We played our recorders again and even managed a simple class duet with B!



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Class 3

This week Class 3 have been learning about different lines and angle in maths as part of their shape unit. In science, we have set up an investigation to show how water is transported up a plant, making predictions beforehand, then forming conclusions based on our results. As part of our theme 'Around the World in 80 Days', we have been looking at weather conditions in different parts of the tropics. We have worked in groups to research the weather and produced a weather forecast report which we recorded.

Class 4

We studied the prime meridian in our geography unit this week. We looked at what the prime meridian is, located countries on a map that it passes through, then researched one of those countries to produce a poster. In maths we have looked at money and in English we have written fronted adverbials. In science we explored how different instruments produced high and low sounds and in SMSC we studied what happens to girls when they go through puberty. We also found time to prepare some amazing maths board games in preparation for next week's open day.

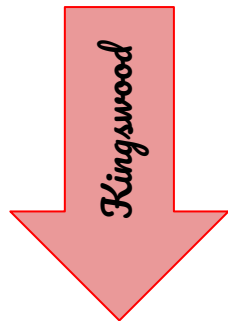
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Class 5

This week Class 5 have focussed on our Technology. We looked at how structures can be designed and how materials can be made stronger by changing their shape. In Mathematics we have been working on measuring and drawing angles as well as calculating angles around a point. Speed scores on our speed number tests are improving too. In English we been planning and writing a story based on a picture the class were presented with. WE also read more of our class novel where we have met another Badlander -Simeon Rowell. We discussed his motives and intentions!

Class 6

This week Class 6 have made a start on making their products for the Year 6 Business Challenge where we have started to make friendship bracelets and posters, so look out for these next week to give you more information about our sale after school in the coming weeks. We have also started to practise our script for 'Hairspray,' which is our end of year production this year; the children have worked really hard to combine singing and dancing and are now thinking about actions and body language for their speaking parts too. We have also started to think about our leavers assembly and what we would like included in our leavers book.



Welcome to Our New Year 5 Teacher for September 2023

After two rounds of interviews we are very pleased to welcome Miss O'Neill to the Diggle School staff team as our new Year 5 teacher.

Miss O'Neill has just finished her Education Degree and teacher training at EdgeHill University and lives locally. She will be attending Open Day in the Year 4 class and will be delivering the Year 5 Welcome Evening in early July so we are hoping that this will give all parents an opportunity to meet her before September. The children have already met her as she delivered a lesson to them as part of her interview process and she will be here for their move up day in July.



Kingswood Highlights - 2023





Next Week's school dinner menu

We will be on week 1 of the school dinner menu next week.

If your child does not usually have dinners, why not see if there is a day they would like to try. Dinners are charged at £2.50 per meal for years 3-6 unless you are entitled to free school meals.

| Week One | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Beef Lasagne & Herby Bread <small>Gluten, milk (H)</small> | Burger in a Bun <small>Gluten, Egg</small> | D.F.C. Diggle Fried Chicken Wrap <small>Gluten, Egg, Milk (H)</small> | Chicken Tikka & Rice <small>(H)</small> | Fish & Chips <small>Fish, Gluten (H)</small> |
| Basil, Tomato & Cheese Pasta Bake <small>Milk, Gluten</small> | Salmon Bites <small>Gluten, Egg, Milk</small> | Noddle's & Stir fry Vegetables <small>Egg</small> | Cheese & Pepper Pasties <small>Gluten, Egg, Gluten, Milk (H)</small> | Swiss Veggie Balls <small>Wheat, (H)</small> |
| Jacket Potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small> | Ham Salad Sandwich <small>Gluten, Milk</small> | Jacket potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small> | Turkey Sandwich <small>Gluten, Milk</small> | |
| <small>vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ... vegetables ...</small> | | | | |
| Summer salad greens Herby Bread <small>Gluten</small> | Herby Diced Potatoes Choice Peas | Spicy Wedge Potatoes Assorted Salad Bar | Potato Swirls Seasonal vegetables | Chips, Mushy peas |
| <small>pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ... pudding ...</small> | | | | |
| Cake & Fruit Bar <small>See Allergen Data Sheets</small> | Cake & Fruit Bar Bar <small>See allergen Data Sheets</small> | Cake & Fruit Bar <small>See Allergen Data Sheets</small> | Cake & Fruit Bar <small>See allergen Data Sheets</small> | Cake & Fruit Bar <small>See Allergen Data Sheets</small> |
| <p>Salad bar selection, fresh fruit are available every day desserts are home-made.</p> | | | | |

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 in full for the year.. 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, or you are leaving us at the end of this term, 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)

Class Photos

You should now have received an email containing a link to view your child's class photo. Should you wish to make a purchase please do so via the photography company directly as indicated via the link. Thankyou.

New Music Tuition Students

Parents of new music tuition students were sent an email a few weeks ago containing a link to register with the Music Service. Please follow the instructions in the letter and ensure this action is completed.



Are you a parent with a child starting school in 2024?

Do you want your child to learn and achieve in a "friendly and supportive environment"?

Would you like your child to attend a school rated 'Good' by Ofsted, with large outdoor grounds and lots of opportunities to learn and grow inside and outside of the classroom?

Diggle School is holding a Summer Open Day where adults and children can tour and experience all we have to offer at Diggle School. All year groups are accepting places and we welcome children who live outside of our catchment area.

The Open Day is on
Monday 26th June 2023.

Parents & children can attend either the morning or afternoon session and will spend time in the classroom, their child would be moving to.
Morning Session: 9am - 10am
Afternoon Session: 2pm - 3pm

For more information please contact
enquiries@diggleschool.co.uk
By phone :01457 601970

Please share with your friends and extended family



~~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



Now taking bookings for the Summer holidays!
Open Monday 24th July to Friday 25th August 2023 inclusive
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.

