

Head teacher's Comment

Welcome back. I hope you all managed to find ways to meet up with family using the virtual world. There was certainly fun in my household trying to get my 75-year-old dad to find his way round Zoom on Easter Sunday so that all my family could spend some time together.

We have been amazed at the quality of baking that took place as part of our Great Diggle Bake Off. Staff were very disappointed not to be able to taste any of it! The winners are announced below.

As we get back into the swing of accessing the on line work we have a message for our wonderful parents. We are very pleased with the engagement with staff and the lovely work the children have been sending in. We appreciate that this is harder in some households than others so just keep talking to your class teacher via e mail if you are having any issues. At this very strange time in our lives the most important thing is that our children return to us healthy and happy, so be sure to take time to have fun.

The Diggle Star



Friday 24th April 2020

What have we learnt? Key Stage 1

Class R This week, Class R have started a new topic: Animals. The children have been writing about their favourite animals and looking for evidence of animals in their local environment. They have also painted rock pets and practiced moving their bodies like different farm animals. In Maths, the children have been practicing counting in 10s and using sticks to find out double 9. Mrs Bradbury and Miss Leach have again received lots of great pictures and videos showing us what the children have been learning, as well as have a variety of interesting questions to ask Katherine the vet. Mrs Bradbury will be posting a video of her talk with Katherine the vet next week on the Class R page.

Class 1 This week in Class 1 we have started a new Theme- There and Back. To link in with this we have begun to read the story of "The Naughty Bus". We have made some predictions about what might happen and written some speech bubbles for some of the characters, we have also completed some grammar work on Purple Mash. In Maths we have been working on our own activities in Maths Whizz and we have had a go at some of the activities on BBC bitesize such as counting in tens and ones and completing number challenges.

In Theme we have learnt about old and new types of transport and ordered these on a timeline as well as completing a traffic count to find out which vehicles we see the most. It has been great to see all the work you have emailed in.

Class 2 Class 2 have had a good first week back after the Easter holidays and have really settled into their Home Learning. They have been responsible and resilient. As well as working on ai and ee spellings and Maths Whizz, the children have focussed on learning about keyworkers as part of SMSC learning (Spiritual, Moral, Cultural and Social education). The children made a list of various jobs that people do and an adult helped to describe what a keyworker is. They drew labelled pictures and also had a challenge to design their dream career! Class 2 have also begun a new Reading Challenge finding out about the author Julia Donaldson.

What have we learnt? Key Stage 2

Class 3 This week we have continued with our story The BFG. We have considered how looks can be deceiving and that we should get to know people rather than go on their appearances. We have written an imaginative piece about our favourite dream, answered questions about the story and drawn animals from Giant Country such as crumpscoddles and squizzly scotch-hoppers, writing about their habitats, feeding habits and then inventing an animal of our own. We have also made a start on a project to review our learning from The Stone Age. In Maths, we have been on Maths Whizz and have revised some formal addition, including word problems.

Class 4. We have focused on science for our project this week. The class had to recall the 14 parts of the digestive system, along with their functions, and present a poster with all of their information. I am impressed just how much the class have remembered, which goes to the show that our 'sticky knowledge' is starting to work. In English we read another chapter of Roald Dahl's *The Witches*. We then drew and labelled our own witch, wrote an imaginary conversation using speech marks, and also focused on the prefixes in, im, il, ir and anti. We finished the week by writing a letter, linking back to our 'blitz' knowledge from SMSC

Class 5 This week we have been using LBQ for maths looking at column addition. We have used Spelling Frame for writing. We have continued with our story and read chapter 8 answering set questions about it. We have made detail drawings of a revolver and labelled the different parts. We then designed our own weapon to use if we were a Badlander.

Class 6 This week Y6 have continued to read the book, 'The Girl of Ink and Stars'. They have created a 'role on the wall' for Governor - this gives an image of the character's personality, appearance, actions and what others think about them too. They have also completed silhouette artwork of family members in a Victorian style. Y6 have also spent time on Maths Whizz and TTRockstars as well as completing work on multiplying fractions by whole numbers and then simplifying these.

Easter Cake Competition Winners

We were very impressed with all the fabulous entries making it very hard to choose winners.

Rec
Emelia



Year 1
Charlotte



Year 2
Eleanor



Year 3
Evie



Year 5
Emelia



Year 4
Amelia



Year 6
Annie



Notices

Music Lessons

Please remember that all children who have music lessons in school can now access these online using the details that have been sent to you all. If you have not received an e mail then give the office a ring on Monday.

Updated DfE guidance for parents and carers

The DfE have updated their guidance for parents and carers, which you may find useful.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

Maths Whizz

Maths Whizz are running some webinars for parents which you may find useful - they seem to have 1 each week at the moment, on a different theme, and past webinars are available to view as a static video.

<https://www.whizz.com/maths-resources/webinars/>



They were so good we thought we would show these entries to you

KS1 Entries

Lillie

Zeydhaan

Bea

Charlie

Thomas

Alfie

George

Jacob

Scarlett

Finlay

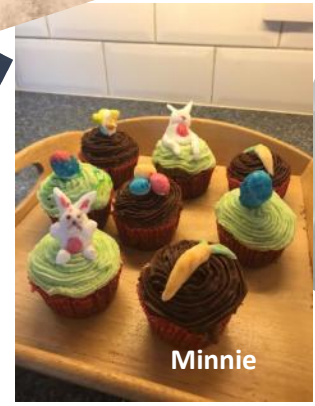
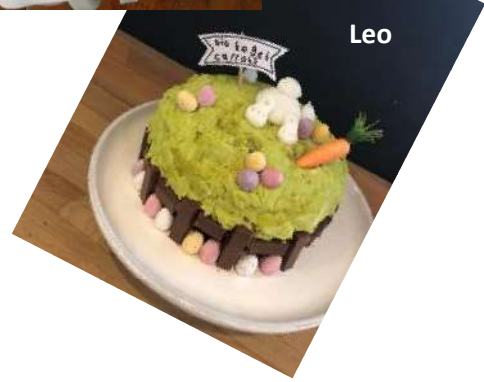
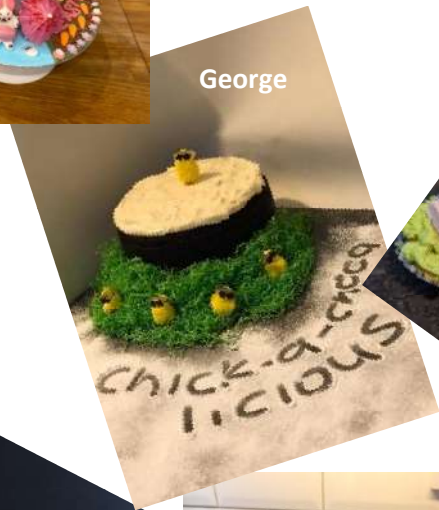
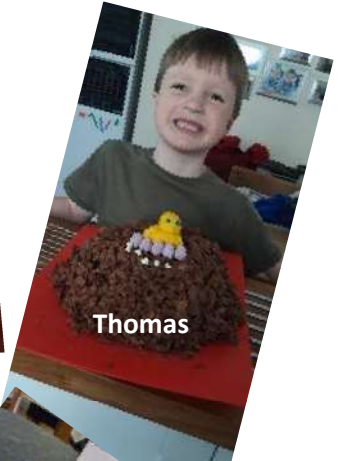
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Leo

Dylan

Minnie

Lucy



Key Stage 2 Entries



Cara



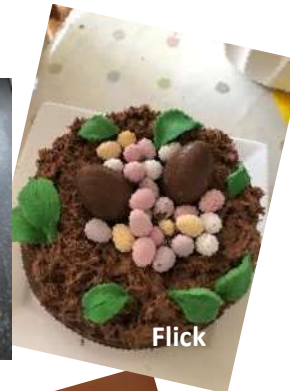
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Ellie-May



Ollie



Flick



Austin



Frankie



Matilda



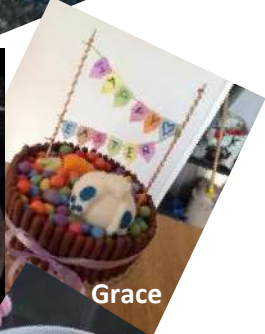
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Jenny



Harry



Grace



Jack



Kai



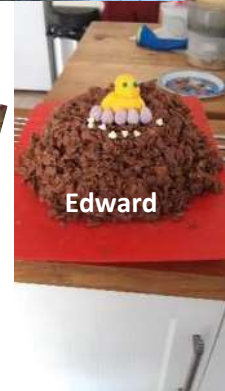
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Lily



Timm



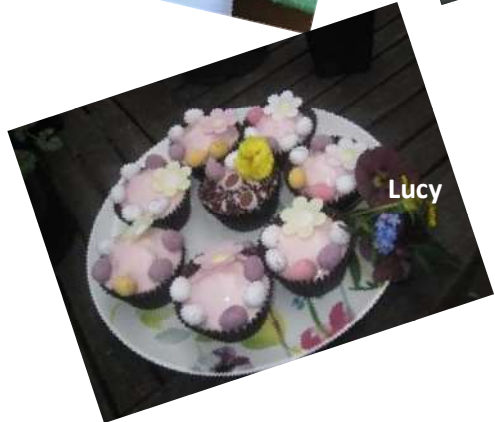
Edward



Charlotte



Evelyn



Lucy



Florence

Reception children have been keeping very busy.
So nice to see the happy smiling faces.



The children have been busy with other activities too

Ben's family have built this wonderful climbing wall on the side of their house. DON'T LOOK DOWN BEN!



Class 6 have drawn these amazing Victorian silhouettes.





Class 2 have been sending in lots of pictures to show us what they have been up to over the Easter holidays.



Class 4 have drawn some brilliant digestive system diagrams

