



DIGGLE STARS

Poppy Stevenson - for swimming 25 metres and showing resilience when she got tired

Archie Moran - for some amazing vocabulary and effort in English

Emerson Oparah-Stretton - for fantastic effort in writing this week

Joshua Broadbent - for a super effort all week in all activities especially writing

Sophie Shaw-Woodall and **Etta-Joyce Philpot** - for always doing the right thing and working hard consistently

Finlay Gee - for excellent work in mathematics

Dylan Johnson - for some great mathematics work



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



Welcome back I hope you have all had a lovely half term holiday.

Next Thursday is World Book Day. We have planned for each class to create their own book, this will then be published and available for parents to buy in the future at a cost of £4.

This is a new venture for us but something we think the children will really enjoy being part of.

We have not planned for the the children to dress up this year, this is partly because we only just had our Commando Maths dress up day and also because as there is a cost to the books we did not also want to ask parents to incur a cost for costumes.

However, if you already have a costume and your child had a burning desire to wear it next Thursday they are more than welcome to but it is not an expectation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 27th Feb - Parents Evening meetings

Thurs 2nd Mar - Class 1 to Jack & the Beanstalk

Tues 7th Mar - Y3 & 4 Schools Choral Speaking Festival

Fri 10th Mar - FODS non-uniform day

W/C 13th Mar - FODS Mother's Day gift sale

Tues 28th Mar - Music tuition children performance am

28th & 29th Mar - Class 3 & 4 performance 2pm

Thurs 30th Mar - DLP Concert

Fri 31st Mar - FODS Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Holidays - FODS Scarecrow Trail

Tues 23rd May - Class Photos

W/C 12th June - FODS Father's Day Gift Sale

14-16th June - y6 to Kingswood

18th July - y5&6 performance 2pm & 6pm



Class R

At the start of the week, Class R were very excited about Pancake day. We asked 'Why do we have a day where we eat pancakes?' and this led us to look at the Christian celebration of Lent. The children shared things that they could give up for Lent, just as Christians do in memory of Jesus walking in the desert. Class R also read the story 'Mr Wolf's Pancakes'. They recognised lots of the characters from other traditional tales and all of them felt that Mr Wolf was not treated very kindly by his neighbours. We used the book to help us make our own pancakes and we wrote a class recipe together. Why not ask your child, what do you need to make pancakes?

We also started a new topic this week - Dinosaurs. Mrs Cocker and the children learnt that dinosaurs were prehistoric animals that had legs under themselves. They looked at non fiction books about dinosaurs and identified different dinosaurs. Mrs Cocker received an Emergency email from Mrs Bradbury (who is a secret dinosaur hunter) and there was a T-Rex on the school field!!! She showed the children a video and the children kept spotting dinosaur eggs.

In Maths, the children identified different coins and counted out money to buy the ingredients to make pancakes. We have also looked at the number zero and the composition of number 5. The children had lots of fun completing the Commandos Maths Challenge. They did amazing at counting and using the numicon to find the answer. When they worked out the problem, the children crawled under the nets doing an army crawl.



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

Class 1

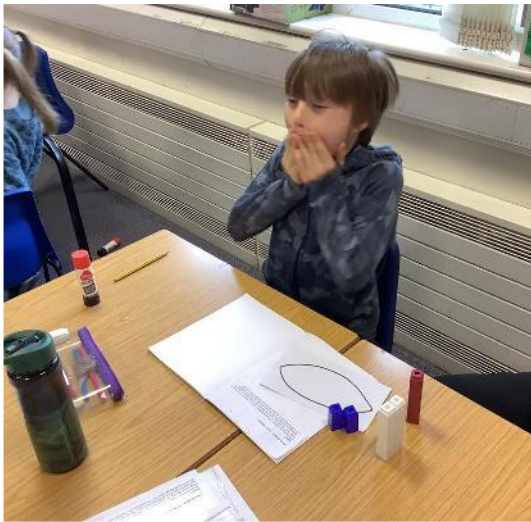
This week in English we started our new class text -Dogger by Shirley Hughes. We read the first couple of pages and then made notes on what we had found out about Dogger so far. We read about how Dave took care of Dogger and sometimes washed him in a bowl of soapy water. We worked together as a class to wash our own soft toy and then looked at the features of instructions before writing a set of instructions for How to wash a toy. In Maths we enjoyed our problem solving activities on the Commando Maths day and we have spent time completing our end of block assessment on place value within 20. In Science we made rain gauges using the plastic bottles we brought in from home. We brought these home ready to measure the rainfall over a week as part of our homework. In Theme we started our new topic 'A Toys Story'. We borrowed a loan box of old toys from the Portland Basin museum and spent time looking at them to see how they were different to our toys at home. We completed a sorting activity using pictures of old and new toys.

Class 2

This week in English we received a book through the post, it cam from Bob, the Man on the Moon! We have really enjoyed finding out some things about Bob, where he lives, what his job may be and predicting what he may like or dislike. We even saw some aliens in one of the pictures...We have used the book to help us write questions, predictions and use apostrophes in our writing. In Maths we had a fun time problem solving as commandos and working on problems involving money. We compared amounts, matched equivalents and did lots of counting in 2, 5 and 10. We finished our famous people theme by learning about the life and work of two more historical figures, Louis Braille and Florence Nightingale. We were all excited to see that our hyacinth bulbs have begun to grow over half term and we are keeping fingers crossed that they all come out! We have begun a new music topic focusing on listening, improvising and learning a song about helping each other. We also had fun in PE this week. We have been learning to use a skipping rope. We had some creative moves!!



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Class 3

This week, we have started our new science unit 'Animals including Humans'; learning about the human skeleton, naming bones and learning about some of their functions. We started our new text based theme 'Bewilderwood' by meeting the main character and writing a character profile for him as well as developing super sentences to describe his fishing grounds. In PE, we practised our bowling skills in cricket and improved our accuracy. We all enjoyed our Commando Maths Day on Tuesday; solving problems and using our reasoning skills.

Class 4

Class started their new topic *One World* in SMSC by exploring the lives of two children from Malawi. We looked at the word 'poverty' and how this affects children's lives. In English we started our new book *Bewilderwood* by examining the character of Swampy and using our vocabulary to create some amazing descriptive sentences. In computing we recorded ourselves using software and listened back, identifying the difficulties involved and in French we learnt how to describe going to school.

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Class 5

It feels like class 5 have been very busy this week. We really enjoyed our mathematics problem solving on our Commando Joe day and really got to grips with this. We have been also working hard on long multiplication and this is going well. Our English has been focussed on Shackleton's diaries and what it might feel like to be a member of the crew at any given point in the journey. Our Science on Forces involved designing and testing parachutes where we concentrated on Fair Testing as well as the skills needed to make working parachutes. As well as this we have been starting our gymnastics in PE and brushing up our direct speech writing skills in our SPAG lessons.

Class 6

This week Class 6 have written diary entries for one of Shackleton's crew members. This involved how the crew members felt in different situations as the Endurance progressed on its' journey. We have also been practising SATS papers to get us ready. In maths we have been doing 1 and 2 step functions. We have also been learning about what a healthy lifestyle is in science, this included us adding up calories and recommending how people can improve their diet. In PE with Chiara, we have started learning hockey, we have been doing lots of fun activities including teaching us how to block and dribble. In our other PE session we carried on with our fitness, moving round the stations to do different exercises, including star jumps, press ups, sit ups and more.

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Fantastic Fundraising!

Charlotte and Ralph Tann have been very busy this weekend raising money for Turkey and Syria. With their cousins, they collected sponsor money and ran 6 laps at Churchill playing fields. They raised £200 in total.

Well done to all of you for showing such thoughtfulness and kindness.



Fundraising Raffle

Following on from information given before half term regarding the raffle of the Brand new iPad. FODs have ordered raffle tickets which will be coming home with your children next week.

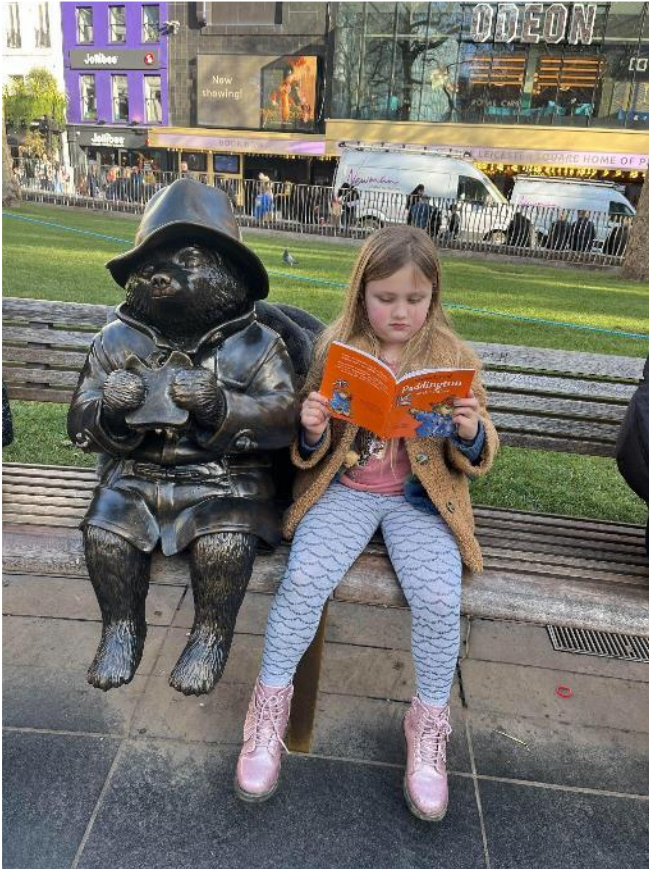
Prizes include but not exclusive to:

- ❖ Brand new 64gb iPad
- ❖ 4 hospitality tickets to Oldham Athletic
- ❖ Signed Oldham Athletic shirt
- ❖ Family ticket to Huddersfield Giants
- ❖ Hamper from Caffè Abaco
- ❖ Voucher for The Old Bell

Tickets will be priced at £2 each. Tickets and money to be returned to school by Monday morning of the 13th March, when the draw will take place. All money raised will go towards the fund for Miss Alker's boys.

Reading for Pleasure

This week Aurora from Year 2 sent in her photos ... I hope Paddington enjoyed the story as much as you!



New School Dinner Menu

Following collaboration between the School Council and Mr Tillett, the new school lunch menu will be in operation after half term, starting on Week 1. Downloadable version is on the school website.

Week One				
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>	
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
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>

Salad bar selection, fresh fruit are available every day
desserts are home-made.

Week Two				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spiced Chicken Burger <small>Gluten, (H)</small>	Cowboy Hash with Crusty Bread <small>Gluten</small>	Chicken Dinner	Beef Burritos <small>Gluten, Milk (H)</small>	Margarita Pizza <small>Gluten, Milk</small>
Creamy pasta Bake (V) <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	Deluxe Veggie bean-burger <small>Gluten</small>	Quorn Fillet Dinner	Veggie Mince Burritos <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	Veggie Rolls
Jacket potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small>	Tuna Mayo Wrap <small>Gluten, Egg, Fish</small>	Jacket potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small>	Ham Sandwich <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	
Spicy Wedges and mixed leaf salad	Herby Diced Potatoes, freshly made summer 'slaw <small>Egg</small>	Fresh Vegetables, and roasted Potatoes	Chunky Paprika Potatoes	Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans
Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Jelly and Custard <small>Milk, Egg</small>	Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Yoghurt Pots <small>Milk</small>

Salad bar selection, fresh fruit are available every day
Omega 3 enriched fishfingers are served, desserts are home-made, potatoes are not fried

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef Bolognese with Pasta <small>Gluten (H)</small>	Chicken Madras with Rice <small>Gluten (H)</small>	Beef Stew & Dumplings <small>Gluten (H)</small>	Cheese Beef Burger in a Bun <small>Gluten, Milk (H)</small>	Fish & Chips <small>Gluten</small>
Quorn Dippers <small>Wheat</small>	Italian Pasta Bake <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	Homemade Cheese & Onion Pasties <small>Gluten, Milk, Egg</small>	Veggie Burger in a Bun (Quorn) <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	Swiss Veggie Balls in Tangy Sauce <small>Wheat</small>
Jacket potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small>	Turkey Sandwich <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	Jacket potato with various fillings* <small>Fish, Milk</small>	Ham Sandwich <small>Gluten, Milk</small>	
Garlic Bread Herby Diced Potatoes <small>Gluten</small>	Roasted vegetables, Garlic bread <small>Gluten</small>	Roast Potatoes, seasonal vegetables	Spicy wedges, coleslaw	Chips, Baked Beans,
Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Assorted Cake Bar <small>See Allergen Files</small>	Milk Shakes <small>See Allergen Files</small>

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desserts are home-made. Potatoes are not fried.

Calling All Budding Writers ...

Do you fancy doing some writing over half term with the chance to win a competition and meet Tom Fletcher (Author of The Christmasaurus) ... see the following link for all entry details.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/bp-competition>

There's nothing better than picking up an exciting new book, except maybe, if it was written by you... If you love writing, stories and adventure you are in the right place because we have a fantastic new Blue Peter competition!

Blue Peter's Amazing Authors competition not only gives YOU the chance to become an amazing author, by writing your very own short story or poem, but also an amazing assortment of incredible money-can't buy prizes!

The winner will meet one of the UK's biggest children's authors and pop royalty Tom Fletcher, go behind-the-scenes to see how books are published and receive their story or poem in print! Not only that, but Tom will also read your work and it will become an audio book on BBC Sounds. Your character's adventure will be animated by Aardman to create a wonderful story which will be shown on Blue Peter and CBeebies Bedtime Stories!

And that's not all, the winner will receive a framed picture from the animation and of course an Orange Competition Winner's badge!

When we said Amazing Authors, we meant AMAZING! We can't wait to see where your imaginations take you.



**Closes
Wednesday 8th
March 2023**



Non-Uniform Day

Friday 10th March

FODS will be holding a colourful non - uniform day on Friday 10th March in exchange for a donation for our Easter Colour themed Hampers !



Each class will be assigned a colour and we would like you to bring in a donation on this day of something themed with your colour. We will provide each class with some ideas of items to bring in !



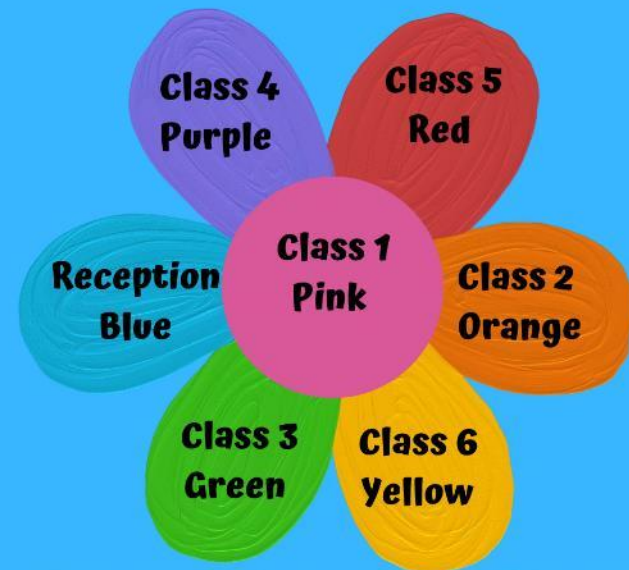
Raffle Tickets will be available to buy in the coming weeks and the winners will be picked on the day of our Easter Egg Hunt .



Classes can also wear their class chosen colour that day too (but this is not mandatory!)



FODS will be holding a Rainbow Raffle this March. We will be holding a non- uniform day in exchange for colour themed donations. Each class will have their own colour!



Pupils are kindly asked to bring donations in on Friday 10th March in exchange for a non uniform day .
Raffle tickets will be on sale in March
The Raffle will be drawn on the day of FODS Easter Egg Hunt, Friday 31st March.



FODS

FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL



Mothers Day Sale



£3 per gift

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

Gifts for all females of all ages !

Monday 13th March

Wednesday 15th March

Friday 17th March



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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



Diggle School Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 31st March

Diggle School Playground 3.15 - 4.30

£3 per child (non school siblings welcome)

Children at school club will get the chance to take part at 4.30

Pay via parent pay by 24th March or entry cannot be guaranteed!

This is a parent accompanied activity

Find 6
coloured
eggs to
win
prizes

Find the
special
egg for
egg-stra
prizes!

Tea,
coffee,
drinks
and tuck
shop

Have a
photo
with the
Easter
Bunny!



Friends of Diggle School
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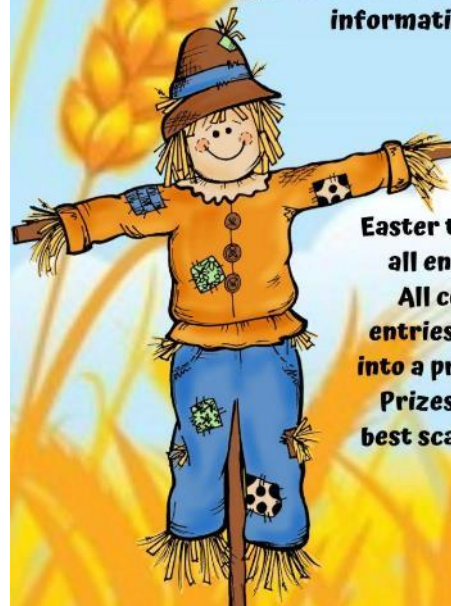
DIGGLE SCARECROW TRAIL

1ST - 16TH APRIL 2023

Our fabulous Scarecrow Trail is BACK! A great day out for all the family.

Trail Sheets, priced at £3 will be available from lots of different outlets in Diggle Village from April.

Follow Diggle Scarecrow Trail on Facebook for more up to date information nearer the time



This years theme is

MUSIC

Easter treats for
all entrants!
All correct
entries entered
into a prize draw!
Prizes for the
best scarecrows!

All profits to directly benefit the
children of Diggle School

Registered charity number 1035075

FODS
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL



Everyone welcome to a
MOTHERING SUNDAY
FAMILY CRAFT MORNING
KILNGREEN CHURCH HALL
LEESIDE, DIGGLE

SUNDAY 12th MARCH 11.15am - 1.45pm

Fruit juice, Biscuits,
Tea and Coffee included

You are welcome to bring
a light lunch to eat in
our cafe area

**CRAFT
ACTIVITIES**

Mini lolly stick frames

Little Pocket Hug

Card for a Special Someone

Fridge magnet

Gift basket

Flower Craft



To reserve a
Place for your Child
& for further details
Contact Suzanne on:-
07733335784

£3.00
Per each child
Payable on the day

Notices

Staff Carpark

Please can parents passing through or waiting in the staff carpark ensure their children are not playing around the parked cars.

Thankyou

Parent Pay

As we near the end of the financial year, please can everyone make every effort to clear any outstanding debts from ParentPay. All Autumn and Spring term music fees should be paid in full. BASC debts should be cleared, and all dinner money accounts should be in credit. All debts still in place by early March must be reported to the Local Authority as part of the year end accounting process.

Names in clothing

Please can you make sure your child's name in is their clothing, especially their coats and jumpers. It can be very cold in the morning but if the sun is shining and the children are playing outside, coats and jumpers can quickly be discarded and it is difficult to return items to the correct child when items are un-named.