



DIGGLE STARS

Stanley Darke- For always being very kind and polite to everyone.

Penelope Brandwood - For being super friendly to all the adults during Open Day

Oliver Wearing- For trying hard with listening and concentration this week.

Alfie Beach-for always working hard and contributing well in all lessons with a mature attitude.

Isla Smith - For earning a resourcefulness and reasoning sticker this week. Her hard work has been reflected in her instructional writing.

Zaffy Buta - For showing more focus in lessons and trying hard to complete tasks.

Eloise Powell- For having an amazing week and working really hard.

HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

Thank you to everyone who attended Open Day on Thursday it was lovely to see the school so full of smiling faces. If you know anyone who has a child that is due to start school in September 2024 please be sure to tell them about our Stay and Play Open Day next Wednesday from 1pm -3pm. Where they can come and spend some time in the Reception Classroom with their child.

FODS are busy collecting donations for their now famous Christmas Hampers. The deadline for your treats to be in school is now Wednesday 29th November and the class that has the most items in their box at 3:30pm on that day will be awarded an extra playtime. Please give what you can.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 28th Nov - No Brass Band

Tues 28th Nov - Woodwind Lessons (one week only)

Wed 29th Nov - Y3&4 visit Creswell Craggs

Wed 29th Nov - 1pm - Class R new parents open day - BRING YOUR CHILDREN

Sun 10th Dec - School Choir performance at Uppermill Methodist Church

Wed 13th Dec - School Choir performance at Stoneswood Residential

Mon 18th Dec - KS1 xmas performance pm

Tues 19th Dec - Class R nativity am
KS1 xmas performance pm

Wed 20th Dec - Panto day

Thurs 21st Dec - Xmas Dinner Day
KS1 xmas party

Fri 22nd Dec - KS2 xmas party
Xmas theme non-uniform
Finish for Christmas

2024

8th Jan - back to school

Here are our
amazing
Diggle Stars!



Congratulations to Class 2, who have won this week's Percy Pigeon Award for tidiest cloakroom. Keep up the good work Class 2.



Class R

'Birthdays' was the theme of this week's *Celebrations* topic. We have talked about what our birthday traditions are, and learnt about how children in other countries celebrate their birthdays. We finished the week by baking our own class cake. The children measured the ingredients and stirred the mixture before pouring it into the cake tins. We then filled the middle of the sponge with jam and butter icing before making the 'sandwich'. The best part - we got to take a piece home for our tea!

In maths we continued looking at circles and triangles in the environment. We used our cutting skills to create a Kandinsky-like piece of art.

In reading we have had a little change around. The groups all have new names and some of the children are now on a different level of book.

We also had a fantastic open day on Thursday. It was lovely to see so many adults in our classroom and the children had a great day. We made Christmas crowns, decorated a tree, made Christmas spirals and decorations.



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

Class 1

This week in English we have written feeling bubbles for the boy and the penguin considering how they both felt at different points on the journey to the South Pole. We also wrote thought bubbles for the boy to show what he was thinking about when he left the penguin at the South Pole. Then we wrote sentences to describe how the boy tried to find the penguin again.

In Maths we have been learning about the names and properties of 3D and 2D shapes. We enjoyed going outside to make 2D shapes using natural materials. We also enjoyed creating pictures made out of 2D shapes and counting how many of each shape we had used.

In Theme we have learnt about the physical features of the Arctic including icebergs, glaciers, mountains, sea ice, rivers and lakes.

In art we have been creating Robins for our christmas hoop decoration. We used paper circles to create the Robin's body and wings and added eyes, a beak, legs and a tail.

We had a great time on Open Day completing some Christmas crafts! We made a party hat and paper chain decorations for our Christmas party in a few weeks time. We also made a pine cone tree decoration and a tree swirl decoration.

Class 2

This week in writing we have started to read a new book called *The Storm Whale in Winter*. We looked at the weather in the book and used adjectives to describe a snow storm at sea. We then used these noun phrases to write some really fantastic poems.

In maths we have continued to count on and back in tens to and from any number. We have also been adding and subtracting multiples of ten to and from a two digit number using base 10 equipment and 100 squares.

In art we have been making robins out of brown and gold card. Then using needles and red wool, we sewed on their red breasts.

In P.E we have been using our dodging skills to try to get a ball past a partner.



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Class 3

This week, Class 3 used their instructions learning, to write a set of instructions 'How to catch a Woolly Mammoth'. They have also been using past learning to produce a Non Chronological Report on Tools and Weapons as part of their English after researching in theme. We have also researched food they would eat ready for next week's English. In maths, we have been adding and subtracting using exchanges, using 2 and 3 digit numbers.

We played team games this week in basketball, using all the skills we have learnt so far.

In Computing, the children produced their own Stop Motion animations, learning how to change each frame before taking a photo. Open Day was lots of fun. A big thank you to all the visitors that helped the children produce our super robins!

Class 4

This week in Maths, we have finished our work with area and have moved on to multiplication and division. To help us prepare for our new unit, we have spent some time practicing our times tables and talking about number families in relation to multiplying and dividing. In English, we have been learning about instructional writing and some of the features of instructional writing. Mr West had a go at following some of the children's first attempt at instructions for how to make a ham sandwich - with very funny results. The children learnt why it is important to be precise.

In Theme, we have looked at animals in the Stone Age and talked about how they were hunted and why. In science, we have continued to group animals by classifications - building on last week's homework.

In PE, we learnt about vaulting and were able to demonstrate our knowledge from our jumps and leaps lesson.

We really enjoyed having parents join us on Thursday and worked on our winter scene posters, our robins for our class hoop and creating printing blocks.

Class 5

This week class 5 have been writing diary entries, we have taken on the roll of passengers on the Titanic, and looked at the different features of a diary entry ensuring to include these in our own writing. In Maths this week we are focusing on adding fractions thinking carefully about the steps involved. In Theme we investigated the Industrial Revolution and the impact that it had on Victorian Britain.

Class 6

In English this week we have been taking on the role of a surviving passenger from the Titanic and have been writing diary entries during their stay on the Titanic as well as one the day after the tragedy; thinking carefully to include the many features we have discussed. In maths, we have continued with fractions this week and have been adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators, we have had to make sure we have found a common denominator before being able to complete the calculations. In Science we have looked into how light travels and created a script to explain how this works to others.

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Special Shout Outs

We love hearing about the amazing things that our children have done outside of school. If your child has done something worth shouting about please let us know. Email leanne.hazlehurst@diggleschool.co.uk or joanne.powell@diggleschool.co.uk and we'll do our best to get them in the newsletter.

On Remembrance Sunday, at Kiln Green Church, six pupils who are all members of Diggle Brownies took a starring role in the service. They gave readings, said prayers, and held the flag. Well done Molly, Emilia, Emily, Isla, Charlotte and Natalia.

They did a fantastic job and members of the congregation commented on how much they enjoyed having them participate.

Well done girls you are a credit to Diggle School, the Brownies and most importantly, yourselves.



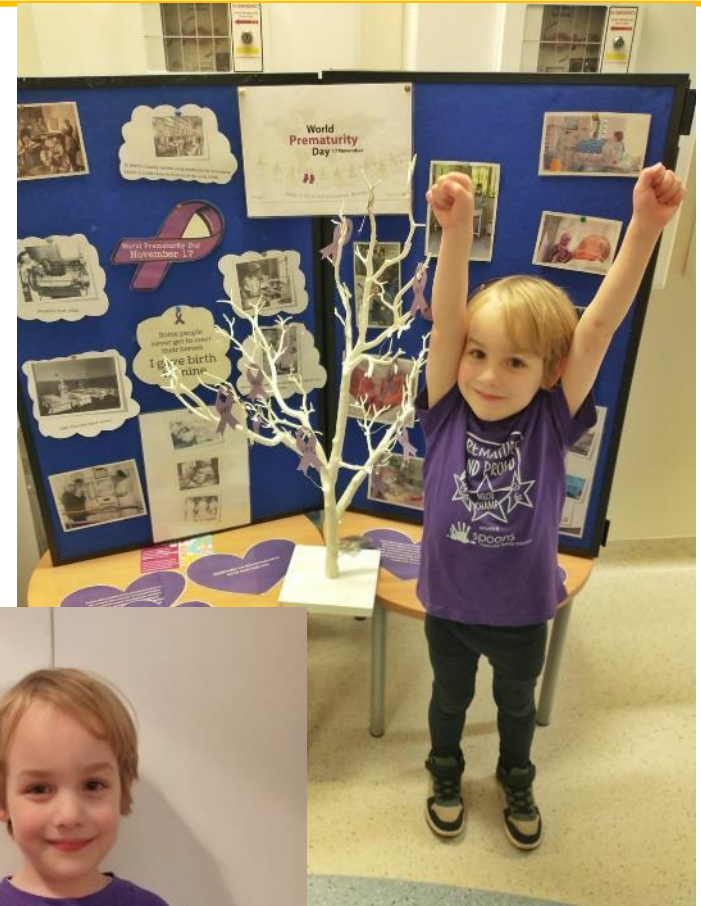
Leo from Class R, and his sister, spent their Saturday visiting families on the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Oldham Hospital, spreading awareness of World Prematurity Day.

Leo was born unexpectedly at 29 weeks weighing just 2lbs 6oz. He was very poorly at the start of his life and received a number of medical interventions during an 8 week stay of intensive and high dependency care.

He has overcome so many challenges and now, along with his mummy, he raises funds and awareness for the Spoons Charity, supporting other families experiencing neonatal care across Greater Manchester.

Leo handed out leaflets and gave chocolate bars to the parents and nurses. He even featured on the charity's social media and is an official 'Spoons Charity Ambassador'. He proves that even the tiniest of babies can grow up to do big things.

Well done Leo, you are an inspiration.



Recently, Natalia in Class 5 took part in The Haydn Wood Festival. She played the violin and was awarded 1st place in her class. As a result of her success, she was invited to perform again at the winners concert later in the evening. Well done Natalia, we look forward to hearing all about your next achievement.



STAY AND PLAY OPEN DAY

Don't forget, on the 29th November at 1pm, Class R are holding a Stay and Play session. If your child is due to start school in 2024, bring them along and join in some exciting Christmas craft. There's no need to book, just drop in.

Mr Hoyle and the children are exhausted just thinking about all the fun you will have!



New Menu



Thank you for your continued support, we are now incredibly excited to introduce our new menu. Over the next three pages you will see what Nicola, our new chef, has cooked up. We know the children will love it. If your child has packed lunches, don't panic, they can easily swap to school dinners, they can just choose one on the day.

Plus, every day there will be dairy and gluten free options, plus fresh fruit and yoghurts.

I know we're biased but we think these meals are amazing, not only do they taste good, but research from The Food Foundation says that 'children who eat school meals have lower obesity rates, better academic performance and behaviour, and improved lifetime productivity.' Why not give them a try!

Chocolate Pudding and Custard



Pasta Bake and Garlic Bread



Week 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pork Sausage Rolls Gluten, egg, milk	Spaghetti bolognaises Gluten	Chicken Curry, Rice & Naan Gluten, Milk	Battered fish fillet Gluten, milk, fish	Beef burger with or without cheese on a floured bun Gluten, milk
Vegetarian/ halal sausage rolls Gluten, egg, milk	Quorn Spaghetti bolognaise Gluten	Tuna Pasta bake & Garlic Bread Gluten, Milk & Fish	Cheese & Potato Swirl Milk, Gluten	Quorn, Southern fried Nuggets Gluten
Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna Milk, egg, fish	Ham Roll with & Garlic Herb potatoes Gluten	Jacket Potato Beans, Cheese, Tuna Milk, Fish	Tuna Mayo Wrap Gluten, Milk, Fish	Cheese Roll Milk, Gluten
Baby potatoes, beans & salad	Fresh salad & Garlic bread Gluten	Seasonal Veg	New potatoes & Seasonal Veg	Wedges & beans
Raisin Flapjack Gluten	Shortbread biscuits gluten	Chocolate cake & custard Milk, gluten, egg	Fruit jelly	Jam doughnut Gluten may contain milk, egg, sesame, soya

Week 2

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Pork Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding, Mash & Gravy</p> <p>Glute, Milk,</p>	<p>Fish dippers</p> <p>Fish, Gluten</p>	<p>Beef Lasagne Garlic bread</p> <p>Gluten, milk, egg</p>	<p>Chicken roast dinner</p> <p>Milk</p>	<p>Wholemeal Margarita pizza</p> <p>Gluten, milk</p>
<p>Quorn sausage, Yorkshire pudding mash & gravy</p> <p>Gluten, Milk</p>	<p>Wholemeal Tomato pasta bake with garlic bread</p> <p>Gluten</p>	<p>Cheese and pepper omelette</p> <p>Milk</p>	<p>Quorn Chicken dinner</p> <p>Gluten, milk</p>	<p>Cheese Pastie</p> <p>Milk, gluten</p>
<p>Cheese Mayo Wrap With new potatoes</p> <p>Gluten, Egg, Milk,</p>	<p>Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna</p> <p>Milk, egg, fish</p>	<p>Ham roll</p> <p>gluten</p>	<p>Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna</p> <p>Milk, egg, fish</p>	<p>Tuna wrap</p> <p>Fish, milk, gluten</p>
<p>Fresh salad & peas</p>	<p>New potatoes & seasonal vegetables</p>	<p>Garlic & herb potatoes & sweetcorn</p>	<p>Mash, gravy & seasonal Vegetables</p> <p>Gluten, milk</p>	<p>wedges & beans</p>
<p>Fruit jelly</p>	<p>Vanilla sponge with ice sprinkles</p> <p>Milk, egg, gluten</p>	<p>Chocolate moose</p> <p>Milk</p>	<p>Raisin flapjack</p> <p>Oats, milk</p>	<p>Ice-cream</p> <p>Milk</p>

Week 3

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Meatballs homemade Tomato sauce with pasta Gluten, milk	Chicken tikka masala with rice & naan bread milk, Gluten	Creamy chicken pasta Milk, gluten	Chicken roast dinner Milk	Hot dogs with sauteed onions Gluten
Gluten free and vegetarian meatballs with homemade Tomato sauce and pasta Gluten in pasta	Cheese & Potato Swirl Milk, Gluten	Pasta bake gluten	Quorn Chicken dinner Gluten, milk	Quorn dogs with sauteed onions gluten
Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna Milk, egg, fish	Tuna wrap Fish, milk, gluten	Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna Milk, egg, fish	Ham roll gluten	Jacket potato Beans, cheese, tuna Milk, egg, fish
Fresh salad & garlic bread gluten	New potatoes & seasonal vegetables	Fresh salad & garlic bread gluten	Mash, gravy & seasonal Vegetables Gluten, milk	wedges & beans
Chocolate shortbread gluten	Fruit jelly	Chocolate moose Milk	Raisin flapjack Oats, milk	Ice-cream Milk

Home Reading Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's 50 Home Readers...



England Rocks



Congratulations to Year 6 who were the highest scoring class from Diggle School in the TTRockstars England Rocks tournament.

We are proud to announce that Diggle School came 409 out of 2731 schools that participated! Where will we come next next year?

FODS AT CHRISTMAS



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FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

Fods will be creating our fabulous Festive hampers again this christmas. Raffle tickets to enter the draw to win a hamper will be sent home in book bags next week. Please return ticket stubs with money in a sealed envelope to school.

Please can you support your class hamper by bringing an item into school before Friday the 24th November so the FODS Christmas elves can work their magic.

Last years hampers were filled with chocolates, toiletries, alcohol, christmas treats and lots more!
Thankyou for your continue support,
Team FODS

All donations delivered to classrooms before **FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**

EXTENDED....EXTENDED....EXTENDED...

We've extended the deadline for hamper donations. Please could all your treats be with us by Wednesday 29th November.

We are also going to apologise in advance because the children might be nagging a little this weekend....

Mrs Newton has said that the class with the most donations will get an extra playtime!

Notices

School Meals

The menu for school dinners is on the school website -

<https://www.diggleschool.co.uk/school-meals>

The amazing kitchen staff provide a wide range of tasty meals throughout the week, with 3 options to choose from most days, and all dietary requirements will be catered for.

Meals are charged at £2.60 for years 3-6 unless eligible for Free School Meals. If you pay for your child's dinners the easiest way to make sure you don't fall behind with payments is to set up the "Auto Top-Up", which automatically adds an amount set by you when the balance drops below a certain amount.

If your child doesn't usually have school meals and wants to try, they just need to order on the day. We are very flexible regarding children mixing school dinners and packed lunches if there are certain days they like the menu choice and not others.

Music Lessons

Music lessons have commenced, and fees are now on Parent Pay. Please note that Singing lessons will not start again until after half term and the charge on Parent Pay reflects this planned absence.

Lessons will be as follows:

Monday - Singing (from after half term)

Tuesday - Brass

Wednesday - Percussion, Woodwind, Keyboard

Thursday - Guitar

Please ensure your child brings their instrument with them where applicable on the day stated above.

If you would like your child to start music lessons please contact the school office to enquire about availability and financial commitment.

School Band Rehearsal Dates

Quick reminder that Mr Byers is not available for 8.30am band practice on the following dates...

Tuesday 28th November 2023,

Tuesday 16th January 2024,

Tuesday 6th February 2024,

Tuesday 27th February 2024,

Tuesday 12th March 2024,

Tuesday 16th April 2024,

Tuesday 7th May 2024,

Tuesday 4th June 2024,

Tuesday 26th June 2024,

Tuesday 16th July 2024

School Photos - It's Not Too Late!

Good news - if you missed out the first time you can still get your individual school photos. They are available to view and buy at Happy Snapz. If you have any problems, please feel free to call the office.

New School Defibrillator

We are pleased to announce that the school now has its own defibrillator machine. This has been sent to us by the government for school use.

However, as you know, at Diggle we feel we are an integral part of the community so are happy to offer the use of the defibrillator machine to the wider Diggle community.

If there should be an emergency, please come to school and we will pass you the defibrillator.

Unfortunately, the government has not supplied us with a weatherproof external mounted box which means the defibrillator will need to be kept inside school, so will only be accessible during school hours.

Although this is not ideal, we hope that, if the worst happens, and the school is open, we can be of help.

We'd like to remind you that there are also two other defibrillators in the village, one at Diggle Day Nursery and one at Kilngreen Church.



Charity Request

The parents of one of our children in Year 2 is fundraising on behalf of 3 orphanages in Chernivtsi, Ukraine.

They are hoping to raise £30,000 to provide urgent humanitarian aid, which will be delivered at the end of November 2023.

If you would like to donate, please use the link below.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ChildrenofUkraineChristmasAppeal?utm_id=1&utm_term=8Jrwqmjnk

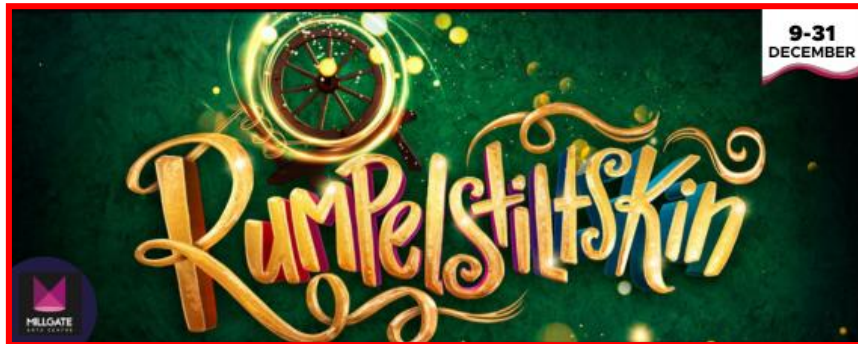
Notices Continued...

Staff Cars

Once again, please could we kindly ask that children do not play around the teacher's cars before and after school. We understand that the waiting area for the Year 5 and 6 door is in the car park, but some of the games the children are playing are quite boisterous and unfortunately one of the teacher's cars has been damaged.

School Pantomime Trip

It's panto day on the 20th December - OH YES IT IS!. The children will be visiting The Millgate Theatre in Delph to see Rumpelstiltskin. The theatre trip is now on Parentpay, please login to give consent and make payment. Thank you.



WOODWIND LESSONS

Please note, next week Woodwind lessons will be on Tuesday 28th November, rather than Wednesday 29th. This is for one week only and is due to a school trip. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

Did you know...



According to research by School Health UK, and reported on the mumsnet website, a healthy packed lunch costs over £4 per day to make, versus a healthy school meal at just £2.60 per day. We were amazed when we read about this. If you want to read more, visit:

<https://www.netmums.com/child/packed-lunches-or-school-meals-whats-cheaper>

ONLINE SAFETY - IMPORTANT NOTICE

Did you know that all social media sites have minimum age restrictions? These are given because it is NOT SAFE for children under this age to use these channels. Did you also know that by letting your child access these channels using your login credentials, you are potentially exposing them to more danger?

It has been brought to our attention that pop-up adverts are appearing on social media sites which are showing extremely graphic material. We believe this is because the pop-up adverts are aimed at the registered user of the account. So if you are a 35 year old adult, who is letting your child access their social media account, your child could be seeing adverts suitable for a 35 year old adult. This may well include graphic content.

We cannot stress enough that you should not be letting your child access ANY social media channels. For your reference the minimum age restrictions are given below.

FACEBOOK - 13 years of age. **TIK TOK** - 13 years of age.

YOUTUBE - 13 years of age. **INSTAGRAM** - 13 years of age.

SNAPCHAT - 13 years of age. **THREADS** - 12 years of age.

DISCORD - 13 years of age. **X (TWITTER)** - 13 years of age.



PARENTS & GUARDIANS

A MESSAGE FROM GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE

In the run up to Christmas we know that some of you maybe turning to online shopping to purchase your children's presents.

WARNING – We are aware that fraudsters are targeting this area and want to ensure our community is protected. We are working hard to bring to justice those responsible. Please see our tips for staying safe online.

Have you been offered a highly discounted or considerably cheaper product compared to the original items worth?

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

The website you are purchasing from was only launched days/ weeks ago?

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

You're asked to pay by bank transfer instead of using the online platform's secure payment options.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

A sense of urgency is placed on ordering the product or service so that you don't miss the price/deal.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD

You receive a fake email receipt/invoice that appears to be from the website you've purchased from or the payment service used to make your purchase. The email address domain doesn't match that of the genuine senders.

STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD



ActionFraud
Report Fraud & Internet Crime
actionfraud.police.uk

SHINE BELLS

CITY KICKS

City Kicks is a **FREE** programme for children and young adults aged between 8 and 18 years. The sessions aim to encourage our participants to socialise and take part in football activities in order to positively impact their physical and mental health. All abilities are welcome.

Schedule of Kicks Sessions

Tuesday

Where Benchill Community Centre, M22 8EJ

When 4pm - 6pm

Thursday

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When 4pm - 6pm

Thursday

Where Cedar Mount, M18 7DT

When 5pm - 7pm

Friday - City Girls

Where Levensulme High School, M19 1FS

When 4pm - 6pm

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For All



For more information about our Healthy Communities programmes, or if you would like to attend, please contact Rofique Miah on [07753467127](tel:07753467127) or at Rofique.Miah@cityfootball.com.



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Schedule of Kicks Sessions

Monday

Where Falinge Park High School, OL12 6LD

When 5pm - 7pm

Wednesday

Where Park View School, M40 7EJ

When 5pm - 7pm

Thursday

Where City Football Academy, M11 4TQ

When 4pm - 6pm

Friday

Where Scotland Hall Road, M40 2TJ

When 5pm - 7pm

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Year 5 from September 2023**



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- Matches – Saturdays
- EMJFL



We are All set and ready to go- we just need you!

