

# DIGGLE STAR - 26.04.2024



## DIGGLE STARS

**Molly Bates** - for super listening skills during carpet time.

**Ezra Van Zandt** - for listening well, working hard and helping in the classroom without being asked!

**Harry Holdsworth & Toby Dickinson** - for excellent effort in handwriting this week.

**Martha Chamberlain** - for showing kindness to others and fully engaging in class lessons, regularly putting her hand up and answering questions with more confidence.

**Darcey Coatsworth** - for fantastic descriptive writing and use of figurative language.

**Florence Ashton** - for trying extra hard in her maths lessons this week and writing a great letter to Mr Hoyle explaining who she thinks is a witch.

## HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

It was lovely to see all the parents at our various open days this week. We always enjoy welcoming parents and carers into school, and we know the children get a great deal of enjoyment out of showing their grown-ups what they have been getting up to in class.

The letter has now gone out on parentpay for the extra-curricular clubs for this term.

If your child would like to take part in a club we would encourage you to sign them up as soon as possible because places are limited. Unfortunately cooking club for class 2 is now full. We apologise for any disappointment this may cause.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Fri 3rd May** - Olympics Wacky Races

**Tues 7th May** - Class Photographs

**Tues 21st May** - Reception Stay and Play

**Thurs 23rd May** - Whole school trip to Chester Zoo

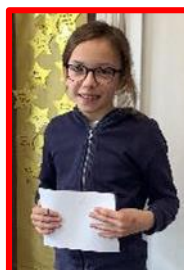
**w/c 3rd June** - Sports Week

**11th June** - FODS funded KAPLA club in the school hall

**Wed 12th - Fri 14th June** - Year 6 Kingswood

**Mon 24th June** - Open Day. All year groups (am and pm sessions)

Here are  
our  
amazing  
Diggle  
Stars!



Congratulations  
Class 3. You had the  
tidiest cloakroom  
and Percy will be  
spending the week  
with you!



## Class R

Our minibeast topic has focused on spiders this week. The children have learnt about *Anansi* - the spider from West African traditional tales. We have had fun using playdough and pipe cleaners to mould our own spiders. We have also used spider-themed letter formation sheets to improve our writing. We have written sentences about spiders and watched another episode of *Teeny Tiny Creatures*.

Some of the children brought some amazing spider-themed *show-and-tell* objects in from home too.

In maths, we have finished our 3D shape unit and moved onto repeating patterns. The children were able to recognise, continue and create their own repeating patterns. We used movements first (clapping and stomping were popular) and then tried to come up with word patterns.



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

## Class 1

This week in English we have read more of our story 'The Naughty Bus.' We wrote words to describe how it might have felt driving through the beans and why the bus didn't think much of the roads. We also spent time thinking of words to describe the movement of the bus such as speeding and braking before adding a preposition such as along and through to add details about where the bus was moving like this, and writing in full sentences.

In Maths, we have continued with our multiplication and division topic, counting in 5s and recognising equal and unequal groups. We also learnt about adding equal groups and using arrays.

In Theme we learnt about the history of Cars. We found out that the first car type vehicle was called a steam carriage and used a boiler to produce steam to power the front wheel. We learnt about different popular cars and when they were introduced to the market. Then we compared a modern car to the first petrol engine car called the Benz Patent Motorwagon. We labelled the different features of each vehicle.

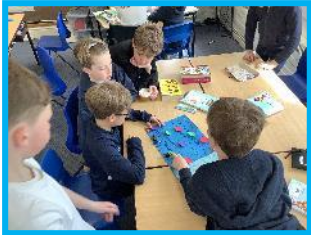
We have enjoyed listening to the different instrument groups perform for us this week and lots of us were interested in learning to play next year. We really enjoyed Open Day! We completed some fun transport themed activities and spent time in class with our parents and family members.

## Class 2

This week we continued our 'There and back' theme by investigating cars and aeroplanes. We looked at how people travel by car and the ways it has changed. We sorted different cars onto a timeline and wrote about them. We also found out about two American brothers called Wilbur and Orville Wright who were always very interested in flying. In 1903, Orville took off on the first ever engine powered aeroplane flight. The flight only lasted 12 seconds but the aeroplane did fly! We watched a modern day jumbo jet take off and compared the differences on planes nowadays with the flight of Flyer 1. We agreed that the Flyer looked a bit flimsy but would be fun to try! We then made our own paper aeroplanes. We chose 3 designs, to try to find which would fly the furthest and which would stay airborne the longest. The Dart went furthest and the Stable stayed up longest. In Maths we have continued working with 2D and 3D shapes. This week we have focussed on vertical lines of symmetry and symmetrical patterns. We enjoyed the music presentations from the different groups in school which have taken place this week, it was fun to see how the different instruments sound and how they are played. In PE this week we worked on developing the throwing and catching skills used in a game of cricket.







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### Class 3

This week Class 3 have been reading more of *The BFG*, answering questions, finding ways the author has described the characters and looking at speech. We enjoyed taking on the role of Sophie and the BFG for our speech role play. In maths, we have been converting, comparing and adding/subtracting volume and capacity. We have had to use several steps and our reasoning skills to solve some of the trickier questions.

We have been learning all about the skeleton in science, naming some of the main bones and looking at their functions. We also looked at how muscles work in pairs and made a model to demonstrate how they work and that muscles can only pull not push.

Open day was lots of fun and we made 2 dream catchers, linked to our theme *The BFG*, to take home and also hang in school. Our classroom looks very colourful!

### Class 4

This week Class 4 have continued to read our class text '*The Witches*' by Roald Dahl, and are beginning to think some of the staff might fit the criteria for a witch, as laid out in chapter 3. To help them find and expose witches - they have written letters to Mr Hoyle (the member of staff who truly can't be a witch) to let him know about their suspicions. In Maths, we have started to move onto decimals and particularly tenths, and place value in relation to the decimal point.

In Science, we have been investigating gas and learning about the scientist Joseph Priestley. Why not ask your child what Joseph Priestley discovered? The children also gave themselves an additional challenge of coming up with an experiment to answer the question "Are fizzy drinks heavier than water?".

In PE, we moved onto our athletics unit last week, and practiced sprinting. This week, we have looked at different styles of long jump and practiced hop, skip jumps.

Class 4 enjoyed sharing their learning with parents, grandparents and carers on Monday. They created a variety of 'how to comics' and videos, focusing on being kind, a skill they have in school or meeting expectations around school. Some of these will be displayed in our practical area to inform others.

### Class 5

This week in Maths Class 5 have been finding missing angles around points and straight lines, using given angles to find a missing amount. In English we have been looking at descriptive writing, the children have used relative and subordinate clauses to add information to their writing and have used a range of figurative writing features to enhance description. In science we have been comparing gestation periods of different animals and looking for any patterns. In Theme we have identified mountains in South America using atlases. We have also finished our class tree, the children have each made branches to add using tissue paper and card.

### Class 6

This week in English, we have been learning poems off by heart, thinking particularly about how they should be delivered, focusing on the speed of the poem, using clear voices and the tone and volume of the poem. We presented these poems to parents as part of our open day. In Maths we continued with our shape topic, including learning about the characteristics of a circle and the angles in a triangle, quadrilateral, and polygon.

In Theme we have been researching mountain ranges across the world and placing them on a map, and we have started to look at our new topic of South America. Finally, in SMSC, we looked at the benefits of a good sleep routine and how exercise can have a positive impact on our minds and bodies.

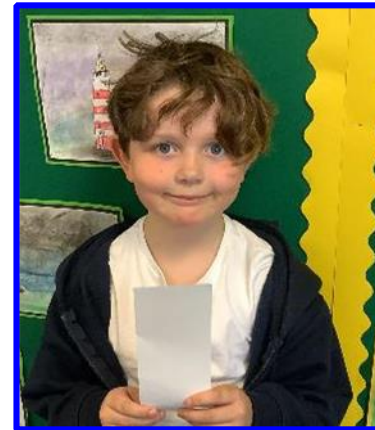
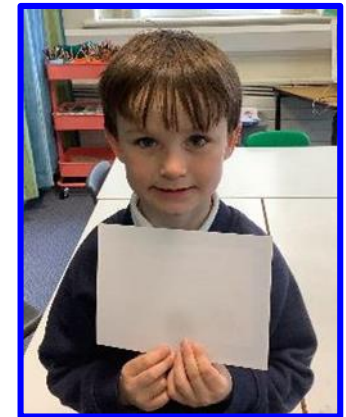
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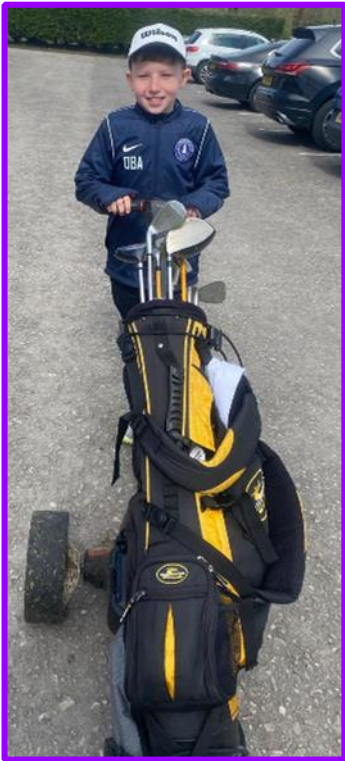
## Home Reading Celebrations

Congratulations to this week's 50 and 100 **AND**  
**200** Home Readers...



## 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](mailto:leanne.hazlehurst@diggleschool.co.uk) or [joanne.powell@diggleschool.co.uk](mailto:joanne.powell@diggleschool.co.uk) and we'll do our best to get them in the newsletter.



Our first shout out goes to Oscar in Class 4. Oscar spent last weekend at Disley Golf Club, competing in the Faldo Futures Tour - which was Oscar's first tournament. Oscar had a great day and came joint 7th, competing against some of the best junior golfers in the North of England. Well done Oscar, this is an amazing achievement. You should be very proud of yourself.



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Our second shout out goes to James McRait in Class 1. James has some splashing news to share! He's achieved his 5m swimming badge. Well done on this milestone James. We're sure you'll achieve your dream of becoming a swimming superstar!





# Open Day





## Library Opening

This week we opened our library for the whole school to enjoy. Each class was allocated a lunchtime slot to choose a library book. All the children were incredibly keen, and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to peruse the varied choice of books on offer.



## Music Lessons

Music lessons are 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...

**PLEASE NOTE, EVEN THOUGH MORNING BAND PRACTICE IS NOT ON, LESSONS WILL STILL BE HAPPENING, AND BAND PRACTICE WILL TAKE PLACE LATER IN THE DAY, SO YOUR CHILDREN WILL STILL NEED THEIR INSTRUMENTS.**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024,  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024, Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

## Music Tuition September 2024

The letters have now gone out to the children who have expressed an interest in learning a musical instrument in the next academic year. We would be grateful if you could get these letters back to us as soon as possible so that we can start to plan the music provision for September 2024.

If you would like your child to continue with music lessons next year, and you haven't yet returned your consent form, please could you get it back to us as soon as possible. Thank you.





**Now taking bookings for May Half-Term**  
**Open Tuesday 28th May - Friday 31st May 2024 inclusive**  
**8.45am - 5pm £27 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](mailto: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.



Bookings are now  
being taken for May  
half term for the  
'outstanding' Diggle  
Holiday Club. Secure  
your place today...

Look out for these fabulous FODS events...



**FODS**  
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

# Olympics Wacky Races

And outdoor disco  
Friday 3rd May  
After school until 5pm

Come and join in the fun on our wacky races!  
Compete with your mates to win the silliest  
races, then join our fun disco area  
Hot dogs/cakes/drinks  
tuck shop  
**KIDS ONLY!**  
**£5 PER PERSON**  
Available on parent pay soon!  
Cut off date for payments is 26th April



**FODS**  
FRIENDS OF DIGGLE SCHOOL

# SUMMER CARNIVAL

**SATURDAY 29TH JUNE**  
GATES OPEN AT 2 P.M. DIGGLE SCHOOL FIELD  
DIGGLE SCHOOL, SAM ROAD, DIGGLE

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**  
OPEN TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY -  
BRING YOUR  
FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

GAMES	INFLATABLES
STALLS	SPORTS
LIVE MUSIC	GRAND RAFFLE
DANCING	TOMBOLAS
BAR AND BBQ	TODDLER AREA

**FRIENDS OF  
DIGGLE SCHOOL  
CHARITY NO  
1035075**



**Saddleworth**  
**Art Trail 2024 Comes to Diggle !**  
**4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday Weekend**

**Diggle 8 on the trail sheet**

**Venue:-**

**Kilngreen Church**  
**Leeside Diggle**

**Open Sat, Sun & Monday**  
**11.00am - 3.30pm**

*(Cara & Harry Hamilton, Suzanne Bradshaw, Eileen Eckersley)*

**Featuring:-**

**Parish Centre Art Group**

**Janet Iles - Banners in Fabric**

**Shirley Luke - Grove Art**

**Jess Kouzelis - Drawn in Thread**

**The Three Generation's - Art work**

**Please come along - bring the family**  
**Drawing table available for children**  
**to create artwork of their own**  
**( or adults if you fancy a try ! )**

**ART CAFE - Serving**  
**light refreshments**

**FULLY ACCESSIBLE VENUE**

**ALL WELCOME**







# SADDLEWORTH ART TRAIL

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<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Laura Skilbeck at home Contemporary painter and illustrator. 1 Co-operative Street, Uppermill, OL3 6AD 11am - 4pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="http://www.lauraskilbeck.com">www.lauraskilbeck.com</a> Instagram: @lauraskilbeck</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Sean Willis at home Local Lino-Printmaker 24 Court Street, Uppermill, OL3 6RD 10am - 3pm Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @seanwillisprints <a href="mailto:seanwillisprints@gmail.com">seanwillisprints@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Art Textile Group at Saddleworth Museum. Work based on the theme 'A Walk in the Wild'. High Street, Uppermill OL3 6HS 1pm-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:marlynp1atrd@icloud.com">marlynp1atrd@icloud.com</a> Parking/wheelchair access/toilets available</p>
<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Mark Demateader at home Contemporary Figurative Artist Top Oth Croft, Ladcaste Road, Uppermill, OL3 6LJ Sat/Sun 11-4 Mon 11-3 <a href="http://www.markdemateader.com">www.markdemateader.com</a> <a href="mailto:dianademateader@gmail.com">dianademateader@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Mark Whyatt, Janis Bowle, John Hewitt and Sarah Bartle at Millyard Gallery. Painting, collage, drawing and illustration, 97 High Street, Uppermill, OL3 6BD Sat 10-4, Sun/Mon 12-4 <a href="mailto:millyardgallery@gmail.com">millyardgallery@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.jhowle1985@tiscali.co.uk">jhowle1985@tiscali.co.uk</a></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Bill Woods and Trish Cas at St Chad's Church. Mixed media and Interactive Installation // Acrylic portraits. Church Lane, Uppermill, OL3 6LW 7:30-9:30pm Friday (opening night) 12-5pm Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @billwoods27 <a href="http://www.bill-woods.co.uk">www.bill-woods.co.uk</a> <a href="mailto:1tothcas@gmail.com">1tothcas@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Linda Edwards at The Cross Keys Landscape and portrait artist. Ranning Hill Gate, Uppermill, OL3 6LW 12-9:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="http://www.lindaedwardsart.com">www.lindaedwardsart.com</a> <a href="mailto:lindaedwards190@gmail.com">lindaedwards190@gmail.com</a> Refreshments/toilets/parking</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Parish Centre Art Group at Kiln Green Church Painting, stitching, ceramics, printing and pastels Lee Side, Diggle, OL3 5JY 11-3:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:janetanne.lisa@gmail.com">janetanne.lisa@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:esaukocroft@icloud.com">esaukocroft@icloud.com</a> <a href="mailto:sushrad1@yahoo.co.uk">sushrad1@yahoo.co.uk</a> Wheelchair access/ refreshments/car park/toilets</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Glynis Thorpe and Constermonster at The Limekiln Cafe Contemporary Abstract Landscapes // Manga Artist Wood Rd, Dobcross, OL3 5NS 1pm-5pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:glynisthorpe@gmail.com">glynisthorpe@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:constermonstercos@gmail.com">constermonstercos@gmail.com</a> Parking/wheelchair access/toilets/refreshments</p>
<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Kryshia Adamiec Contemporary Abstract Art Painter Studio at Woods Farm Barn, Church Fields, Dobcross, OL3 5AB 10-6 Sat/Sun 10-5 Monday Instagram: @kryshiacontemporaryart <a href="mailto:kryshia@kryshia.co.uk">kryshia@kryshia.co.uk</a> Parking available</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Marlynn McNeill at home Textile Artist using silk painting and stitching. 11 Platt Lane, Dobcross, OL3 5AD 10am-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:marlynp1atrd@icloud.com">marlynp1atrd@icloud.com</a></p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Helen Campbell and Kate Horsey at home Painting and experimental print making. 5 Crib Lane, Dobcross, OL3 5AF 10am-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="http://www.thegalleryinthearden.com">www.thegalleryinthearden.com</a> <a href="mailto:criblane@googlemail.com">criblane@googlemail.com</a> <a href="mailto:katehorshby@gmail.com">katehorshby@gmail.com</a> Some parking and toilets available.</p>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Jo Dobbs, Will Dobbs, and Constermonster at Jo's house. Ceramics // Printmaking // Manga Artist 3 Midgrove Lane, Delph, OL3 5EH 10-4 Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @jodobbscrafts <a href="mailto:@dobbs_artist">@dobbs_artist</a> <a href="mailto:@constermonster">@constermonster</a> On-street parking, wheelchair access, refreshments.</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Steve Greenwood at The Garage Cafe AI Generated Contemporary Digital Art Unit 1, Saddleworth Business Centre, Delph, OL3 5FP 9:30am-4:30pm Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:steve_greenwood@live.co.uk">steve_greenwood@live.co.uk</a> Toilets/refreshments/parking</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Nancy Crilley and Carol White at Frotery Living Textile Art // Watercolour Painting 11 King St, Delph, OL3 5DL 10am-4pm Sat/Sun <a href="mailto:nancycrilley@yahoo.co.uk">nancycrilley@yahoo.co.uk</a> <a href="mailto:carolwhite@gmail.com">carolwhite@gmail.com</a> Toilet and refreshments.</p>
<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Richard Clare at Saddleworth Crafts Colourful paintings of Northern England, Italy and France 12 King St, Delph, OL3 5DQ 10-4:30 Sat/Sun/Mon Instagram: @richardclareart <a href="mailto:richardclareart@gmail.com">richardclareart@gmail.com</a> Toilets/refreshments</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>The Pincemakers' Quilting and Textiles Group and Diana Terry St Thomas Church Quilting and Textile Art // Ceramics and Paintings Church Street, Delph, OL3 5DR 11-4 Sat/Sun/Mon <a href="mailto:kibey4721@an.leam.com">kibey4721@an.leam.com</a> <a href="mailto:diana.terry@gmail.com">diana.terry@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.diana-terry.com">www.diana-terry.com</a> Parking/wheelchair access/toilets/refreshments</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Mark Armitage at home Abstract Northern Landscapes 72 Clough Lane, Grasscroft, OL4 4ER 10am-2pm Sat/Sun <a href="http://www.markarmitageart.com">www.markarmitageart.com</a> <a href="mailto:markarmitageart@hoomail.co.uk">markarmitageart@hoomail.co.uk</a> On-street parking nearby</p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Artist Group at Bright Futures School for kids with autism. Local Landscapes by pupils, staff, and parents of our talented pupils 11-3pm Sat/Sun/Mon Prestland Road, Greenfield, OL3 7EU <a href="mailto:jo.green@brightfutureschool.org">jo.green@brightfutureschool.org</a> Toilets/wheelchair access/parking/refreshments.</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Celia Gledsdale, Dorothy Clarke, Lydgate Stitchers, Hill Harrison Textile &amp; mixed media artists. Bob Hindley, Photographer at Lydgate Parish Hall, 55 Stockport Road, Lydgate, OL4 4JL 12-4pm Sat/Sun/Mon. Refreshments, toilets, disabled toilet, on-street parking.</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Springhead Art Group, The Saturday Life Class, The Bands (DIY class for ladies) and Jan's Needle Felting Workshop Springhead Community Centre, Ashes Lane, Springhead, OL4 4PZ Sat 10-11 Sun/Mon 11-4 <a href="mailto:dave.ralston@tiscali.co.uk">dave.ralston@tiscali.co.uk</a> Toilets/wheelchair access/on-street parking/refreshments</p>





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Jodie Buckland for Children's Choir enquiries  
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Please note the deadline for applications is **Monday 6 May 2024**.