



DIGGLE STARS

Seb Ellis - for a perfect score in his spelling test

Molly Clark - for **resilience** and responsibility in all her learning this half term!

Patsy Gee - for fantastic effort in creating her detailed watercolour painting.

Jenny Steele and Scarlett Jones - for a confident and enthusiastic performance in their persuasive advert.

Ben Sedgwick - for a fantastic effort when writing his Titanic news report.

Jacob McGlashan - for good progress in reading and writing and being more resilient.

Eliza Wright - for her kindness to others and always giving 100% effort.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



The work on the porta cabin will finally be starting after half term. This means that BASC children in Key Stage One will now be housed in Diggle band club from now until the end of term. It also has implications for the way classes 3 and 4 enter and leave the building. **The steps will no longer be in use** and so children will need to come onto the school grounds from the main car park entrance and walk along the front of school to come in via the front door. **Parents are asked to leave the children at the gate** and allow them to walk into school. There will be a member of staff both on the gate and to guide the children along the front to the main door. **At the end of the day parents are asked to wait in the car park and the staff will bring the children back along the front of school to meet you.** Please ensure there is only one adult per child so as to avoid congestion and to ensure social distancing.

It appears some parents have had issues accessing the questionnaire - this has now been resolved. Therefore if you have not yet done so please complete the Parent Questionnaire on the link below. Your thought and opinions are very important to us.

<https://forms.gle/74CVMn8L1a72T5Nt5>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 7th June -
Reopen after half term

Mon 28th June - Welcome evening 6-6.30 or 6.30-7 **

Wed 30th June / Thurs 1st July -
transition days **

Wed 14th July - 6pm Year 6 performance outside in the yard

Tues 20th July - 9.15am Year 6 leavers assembly outside

Tues 20th July - finish for summer holidays

** subject to covid restrictions being lifted - more info will be issued nearer time.



Class R

This week, Class R have been learning all about Minibeasts for Minibeast Week. We read the story 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle, inspired by our new classmates who are caterpillars and also very hungry at the moment. The children have enjoyed watching the caterpillars turn into Chrysalis and are excited for them to turn into butterflies. During the week, the children went on a Minibeast Hunt to see what other minibeasts they could see around school and we talked about what an insect is.

In Maths, we did lots of minibeast addition and learnt about doubles. Why not ask you child what double 2 is? In Phonics, we practiced all the red words we have learnt so far at school. Finally, the children had lots of fun breaking the rules today, what a lovely way to end the week!

Class 1

This week in English we have written our own newspaper reports about the Great Fire of London and we tried hard to include a quote from an eye witness and use speech marks to show what they said. In Maths we have been completing some assessments on positions, directions and turns and multiplication and division. In art we have created a fiery sky background and drawn buildings on black paper to make a silhouette picture. In Science we learnt about the parts of a plant and their functions.

Class 2

This week we have worked hard on solving maths problems. The monster challenge was tricky, finding amounts only using silver coins. In English we have been reading different types of text and learning about inference in reading. We learned that we have to look carefully for clues and use reasoning as well. We finished off our theme work about the Great Fire of London by learning some rhymes and songs about what happened before, during and after the fire. We had great fun breaking all the rules on Thursday, what a fun way to end a busy half term!



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



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Class 3

This week we have worked on our inference skills in English, answering questions from pictures and made predictions in our book 'Quest' which is the sequel to 'Journey'. In maths we have worked on formal multiplication and worked on Time linked to Time Zones in our Geography work. We continued with our pattern work on the world and had a good day on Break the Rules day seeing what can go wrong if there are no rules, and writing our own rules for school, home and friendships.

Have a great Half term!

Class 4

We have been rounding numbers to 10, 100 and 1000 in maths this week. In theme we looked at different times zones around the world and learnt the term GMT (Greenwich Mean Time). In science we created our own electrical circuits using switches. For PE we enjoyed a thrilling rounders session while in English we completed our class text *Journey* and discussed the theme of the story. We were also very lucky to have forest school in the afternoons with Mr Ryan and we loved making food on the campfire.

Class 5

This week in Class 5, in Maths we have been converting units of measure; the children have worked hard on this and have realised it is the same as dividing as multiplying by 10,100 and 1000 (they just need to remember the correct conversions). In English we have been working on persuasive writing, by creating our own item which would be sold in the magical shop, Bizarre's Bazaar. The children have then created video adverts to persuade people to sell the items. In Theme, they have researched on Bizzarri's the wonders of the world that can be found in The Americas.

Class 6

This week in maths, we have been consolidating our learning of addition and subtraction of numbers up to 10,000,000. We have also been multiplying fractions and mixed numbers. In English, we have continued our work on the book 'Wonder'. We have discussing the actions of some of the characters and the impact of these actions on other people. In theme, we have continued our work on the Titanic. We have done lots of research about the ship. We have written news reports to announce the sinking of the ship. In ICT, we have developed our animations which we have been working on and created a sequence which includes different characters and backgrounds.

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Notices

Music lessons

Fees are now due for the Summer Term's music tuition.

Your fees should be fully paid up before May half term for the full year.

If your child is interested in learning an instrument from September, please return the expression of interest form ASAP.

We also have information on the school website about music lessons - see For Parents / Clubs and Activities.

ParentPay

We have a lot of families where there are two parents registered on parent pay and both parents have the same phone number on their profile. This means when we send out text messages, one parents is getting it twice and the other parents is not getting it at all. We try and only use text messages when it is something urgent, or important, therefore it is important that all registered users have their own phone numbers registered against their profile in Parent Pay.

Please take a minute to log into Parent Pay and click Profile Settings and verify your mobile number is correct. Thank you.

Parking

Please can we remind parents not to park in the entrance to Heather Way, (the residential road opposite the school gates). Parking here makes it difficult for residents to access and leave the road. With the staggered start and finish times, there is plenty of parking space on both Sam Road and Huddersfield Road, as well as the carpark by the canal, so this area really shouldn't be needed by school parents as a parking area.

Please can we also ask that you do not sit for extended periods of time in your car parked on Sam Road as one of the benefits of the staggered start and finish times is there is plenty of room for all parents to park, but this only works where parents who have dropped off or collected their children then move on.

Covid case over the holidays

Can we once again urge you to stay vigilant over the holidays as far as Covid is concerned. Should your children show any symptoms or test positive over the holidays then please let school know as soon as possible on the email below. It is Mrs Newton's responsibility to carry out the test and trace for school cases even over the holidays and will be checking the following email regularly: head@diggle.oldham.sch.uk

BASC

We are starting to plan BASC staffing for September.

Please can we ask **all current users of BASC** to email Sarah Stephens (sarah.stephens@diggle.oldham.sch.uk) with confirmation of the hours your child will be using BASC from September. We appreciate plans may change, so please email her with your requirements as you know them now and update her of any changes should they arise.

If you do not use BASC, but think you will need to from September, please see the BASC page on the website for pricing and opening hours (<https://diggleschool.co.uk/before-and-after-school-club-basc/>) and email Sarah Stephens with the booking form.

Thank you in advance for your help on this matter.

Virtual Balloon Race

Congratulations to our prize winners from the virtual balloon race! **Minnie Cadogan's** balloon came first and she received an Amazon voucher which we hope she enjoys spending. **Austin Ellis's** balloon covered the least distance in the race and so received a mystery prize. Thank you to all who took part and supported this event.



SADDLEWORTH
SCHOOL

Current
Year 5



YOUR INVITATION TO OUR

OPEN EVENTS 2021

WEDNESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER AND
THURSDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Saddleworth School is now over 100 years old and has a proud tradition of providing its students with a first-class education whilst also providing a nurturing and supportive environment.

Our mission is to 'Empower and Inspire' our young people to be passionate about their learning, their future and to enable them to harness their full potential.

Students and families joining us in September 2022 will join us at an incredibly exciting time in the school's development and will join us in our brand new state of the art building in Diggle.

OPEN DAYS
WEDNESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER 2021
THURSDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021
9.30AM

OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021
6.00PM - 8.00PM
(No appointment necessary)

See our website for further details
www.saddleworth.oldham.sch.uk/home

Please note the event may be subject to change due to Covid restrictions.

Ofsted
Good rating

HIGH
AIM

ENABLING YOUNG PEOPLE TO FIND AND DEVELOP THEIR TALENT

BREAK THE RULES DAY

Over £470
raised -
thankyou



If your child broke the rules and you haven't yet paid your contribution, please pay on ParentPay ASAP.