



DIGGLE STARS

Flora Gyongyosi - for responsible learning and better effort in all activities!

Lillie Smith - for a focussed effort in her maths this week.

Daisy Gammond - for working very hard in phonics.

Toby Dickinson - for hard work in phonics & reading and always being ready to listen a participate on the carpet.

Thomas Russell - for excellent work in all his subjects this week.

Oliver Shearing - for showing more resilience in maths and becoming more confident.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



Please can I ask that when you are bringing children to and from school through the staff car park that you keep track of where your children are running and playing.

We have noticed that children are often running in between the parked cars with their bags and in some cases their instruments.

We do not want any children to inadvertently damage a car.

Also on the the subject of cars I noticed yesterday when leaving with Year One on their trip that there were a number of cars double parked along Sam Road. Although there are no double yellows on this section it does make it very difficult for larger vehicles to get down the road. A fire engine I fear would really struggle. Please try and park on Huddersfield Road rather than Sam Road. This will also mean that Sam Road is safer to cross for our families.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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. Finish for Easter

Easter Holidays - FODS Scarecrow Trail

Mon 17th Apr - Back to School

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

This week Class R have been using their mathematical reasoning skills as we explored how to measure capacity and mass. We talked about how to make predictions and the test to see if we are right. The children rushed to explore different types of scales and tried measuring and comparing the mass of different classroom items using the pan scales. The children talked about how they could tell if something was heavy and light by if it went up or down and some children had a go weighing things and recording how much they weighed using non standard measures. The children were also able to make predictions when looking at capacity and when comparing how many aqua beads different containers held. They noticed that the small fat container held more than the tallest container. Which was against what many of them had predicted.

Another focus this week was World Book Day. Many of the children were excited to wear a costume based of a book they had read and on the day they looked fantastic! The children completed lots of reading activities but they were most excited to create a story with Mrs Bradbury to go into our Class R book. We decided to create a book with a collection of stories and each child contributed to their groups story and the illustrations. I know parents will be excited to see the books published.

Continuing with our dinosaur topic. We read the story "How to grow a dinosaur" by Caryl Hart. The children discussed the story before we explored the beanstalks we have been growing. The children were fascinated by how plants grow and were excited to see how tall their beanstalk was.

In PE, we have been focusing on our ball skills. The children retold the story "We're going on a bear hunt" and manipulated a ball in line with the story e.g. tip toeing on the ball.



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

Class 1

This week in English we have continued to read our class book 'Dogger.' We read how Dave showed Dogger some men setting up the summer fair and we wrote our own memories about a summer fair. We then thought about how special Dogger is to Dave and talked in pairs about our own favourite toys before writing sentences to describe our toys. In Maths we have been working on finding doubles and near doubles. We learnt that we could quickly add near doubles such as 4+5 by doubling one of the numbers. If we doubled the smaller number we knew to add 1 more. If we doubled the bigger number we knew to take one away. In Science this week we looked at a range of materials and sorted them to match their labels. We then tested our knowledge by naming a range of materials shown as pictures. In Theme we learnt about modern toys like the ones we have at home. We talked about how they were different from the older toys we had seen. We drew a picture of a modern toy and labelled the materials it was made of and thought about whether it was electronic. We had a great time on World Book Day going to see the story of Jack & the Beanstalk and completing a story scavenger hunt!



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Class 2

This week we continued to read our class book, 'Man on the Moon'. We learned how to fly Bob's moon rocket, writing instructions and command sentences using time words.

We had a very busy time writing poems, recipes and instructions for our class book which we did as part of our World Book Day activities. We illustrated it and added a front cover and blurb. We have used a space theme to link in with our English work.

We enjoyed starting some 'Alien art' this week. We are designing and decorating our own aliens which we hope to name and use as part of our creative writing. Then we decided to research space a little more and found out some interesting facts. We learned the names and some features of the planets in our solar system and that the moon travels around the Earth.

In Maths we completed some learning checks for addition and subtraction. We were pleased with ourselves but needed a quick recap on one or two concepts.

PE was fun as we tried to polish up our skipping skills. We are improving and learned some tricks on the big rope!



**Class 3
and 4
Forest
School!**

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Class 3

Class 3 have enjoyed planning characters and settings for the book they are creating ready to publish. We made the houses we had designed in Forest School, then continued editing our writing to let the readers know all about our characters. We even found links between the characters and gave them personalities. In maths we have been using our reasoning skills to solve multiplication and division problems and have been busy learning our poems ready for our Choral Speaking festival next Tuesday at the Oldham Coliseum.

Class 4

Class 4 have continued reading their book *Bewilderwood* this week. We have made predictions and discussed what characters are thinking. In maths we have used a formal method of multiplication and in SMSC we learnt the word 'dilemma' and thought about the difficult decisions that many children in poor countries have to make. On Wednesday we went to the forest and made some amazing 'boggle houses' linked to our English work.

Class 5

This week we have been finally getting to grips with long multiplication and are moving on to reasoning and problem solving with this. Everyone has worked hard at this all week. In English we have been finishing our diary entries and preparing best copies. During World Book Day we started work on a retelling of Ernest Shackletons' epic journey from Elephant Island to South Georgia to save his crew. We also had some super costumes and ideas on the day. Our work on this will continue next week. In Science we have been looking at Water Resistance and streamlining. We have also begun work on our America's topic in our Theme work. This is getting the class very interested.

Class 6

This week in Maths we have been using and forming algebraic equations. We have worked extremely hard to understand the concept of the letter shown and unknown value. We have also started to solve one and two-step equations and finding the unknown values. In Computing we have started our new topic: Programming A Variables. We have been introduced to the idea of a variable and that things can change depending on the algorithm given to specific objects. We have used scratch to begin to develop these ideas. In English we have been working in groups to write the journey of Shackleton and his men packing up Patience Camp and beginning their journey on lifeboats to Elephant Island.

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Football Tournament at Manchester United

Jasper in Class 2 was recently invited down to play at Manchester United. He absolutely loved the day playing against other academies and extremely high grassroots teams. He got into the final and came away winning the whole tournament with four other teammates.



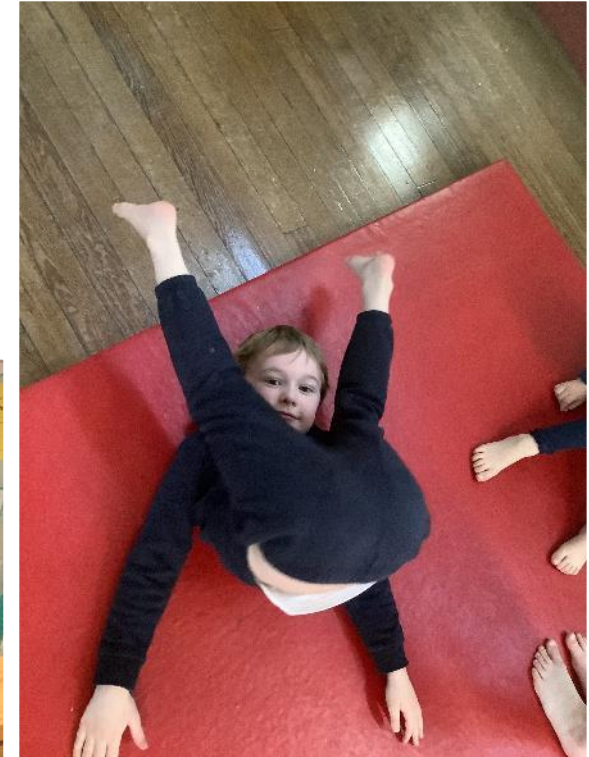
Gymnastic Competition

On Sunday 26th February, Emily Banks (Y3) and Elizabeth Bardsley (Y5) competed in the Northwest Gymnastics School's competition 2023 which took place in Blackburn. The pair represented Diggle School and were up against many schools from around the Northwest. They performed their routine to the song 'A Castle on the Cloud' from Les Misérables. They performed amazingly well and demonstrated gymnastic skill throughout, including: leapfrog, supported handstand and cartwheel over dish. Well done girls!



Year 1 and 2 DLP-Gymnastics

Jake and Saoirse from Class 1 and Milania and Ollie from Class 2 took part in a DLP Gymnastics session at Friezland school. The children started by stretching their bodies doing the bean warm up, runner beans, jumping beans, string beans and beans on toast. They then practiced a number of gymnastics positions and poses, including getting from one end of the mat to the other. This could be done by performing forward rolls, backward rolls, full body rolls or tuck roll. Balancing on 1, 2 and 3 parts of their bodies, tuck jumps, pikes, handstands and cartwheels were also completed. The children had a thoroughly enjoyable time, showing their skills and abilities!





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 !



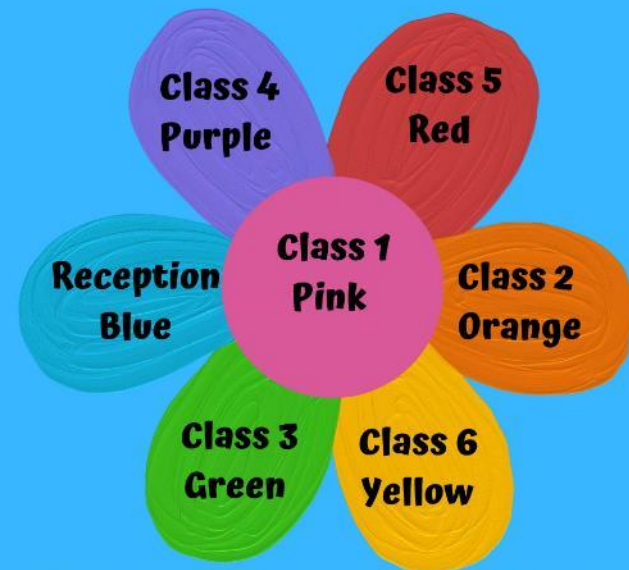
Raffle Tickets will be available to buy in the coming weeks and the winners will be picked on the day of our Easter Egg Hunt .



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



FODS

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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
Present The

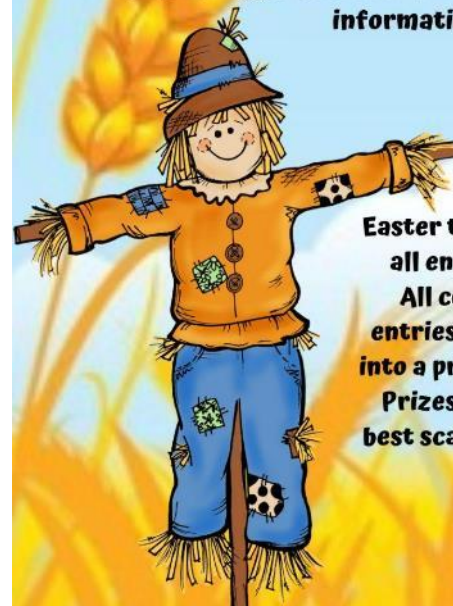
DIGGLE SCARECROW TRAIL

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. BASC payments via childcare vouchers and taxfree childcare have all been update this week, so barring very recent payments, Parent Pay is up to date, so please make sure your child's account is 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.

Reading Volunteers

We are looking for parents or grandparents who are able to offer sometime to school to come in and support staff with listening to children read. If you have even half an hour a week to spare and would like to come in and listen to children read, we would love to hear from you. Please either drop the office or your child's class teacher an email to express an interest. We will provide support to anyone who wants to come in including getting them a DBS check. We do operate a policy of not putting family members into their children's class.