



DIGGLE STARS

Lucas Brendel - for an enthusiastic and **resilient** final week in class 4.

Martha Chamberlain - for a more confident attitude in maths this week

Frankie Stevenson - for helping Miss Evans with her jobs and having a positive attitude to learning.

Grady Parrish and Lowe Bennett - for having a fantastic 'have a go attitude.'

Zeydhaan Shah - for the progress he has made with his reading.

Sienna Whiteley - for excellent work in Maths



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS



Welcome back I hope you all had a lovely half term. As you are probably aware COVID regulation changed over the half term holiday. I sent out an email yesterday with the new advice from Public Health England. In case you missed it here it is again.

Following the recent changes in guidance announced by the government on 21st February, we would like to clarify what you need to do if your child becomes ill.

From 24th February 2022, the legal requirement for people with COVID-19 to isolate ended. However, the Public Health and Government advice remains the same: if anyone has the main symptoms of COVID-19 or a positive test, they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19 you are still advised to take a test.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

We therefore remind you not to send your child into school if they have any of the symptoms of COVID-19, or if they have tested positive. If we feel your child has any of the 3 main symptoms of COVID-19, in order to protect the other pupils and staff, we will ask you to collect them. If your child tests positive they are advised to stay at home for at least five full days, and return when they have two negative LFD tests on consecutive days

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2022

w/c 14th March - Parents Evening week (except y6)

w/c 4th April - effort grade cards Issued

w/c 4th April - parents evening appointments for year 6 only

Wed 6th & Thurs 7th April - Year 3/4 production during afternoon session - times tbc

Fri 8th April - finish for Easter

Mon 25th April - return to school



Class R

This week class R have started their new topic 'Travelling'. In Literacy we have been travelling across the four seasons.

We read the story 'Seren's Seasons' and looked at the weather and activities we might do. We then listened to four different types of music which represented each season and danced, thinking about what we might do in each season. In Maths, we have moved on to the number 6! We have been learning how to form the number and played a game with dice. We have learnt the rhyme 'This little block is full of tricks, it goes all the way up to number 6!'. We have also started our new topic, Shapes. We have been looking at basic shapes and counting the sides. We have used plastic bands and peg board to create the shapes. In Phonics, we have recapped all of our set 2 sounds we did before half term and learnt the new red word 'be'. In PE, we went on a bear hunt! We had to use lots of different skills to reach the bear's cave.

This week we have had a lot of celebrations, first we celebrated Pancake day! We had a pancake flipping competition and ate lots of yummy pancakes. Finally, we celebrated World Book Day. We had the luxury of Class 6 reading us our favourite stories and they helped us to do a book review. Miss Spencer also joined us and read 'Stick Man', we had a lot of fun!



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

Class 1

This week in English we have started our new book Dogger by Shirley Hughes. We read the first few pages and then collected ideas about what we know about Dogger so far. We made predictions about what might happen next and brought in our own favourite toy to talk and write about why it was our favourite. In maths we have continued our work on addition and subtraction by solving one step problems involving these operations. We have looked for clue words such as altogether, more and total for addition problems and left, less and fewer for subtraction problems. In Science we have looked at a range of everyday materials and named and labelled these. In theme we started our new topic about Famous People. We talked about what being famous means and why people can become famous. We learnt about Florence Nightingale and how she changed the way hospitals were run. We sorted images to show which ones were before Florence Nightingale and after she made changes.

Class 2

This week in English work, Class 2 have been looking at Traditional tales. We have started work on the story of Little Red Riding Hood. We have been introduced to the story by listening to it, joining in and then retelling parts of it in our own words using good punctuation and developing interesting noun phrases. Our phonics has focused on words which end with y to make the i sound. We used these words in our handwriting practise and have also begun a new handwriting booklet to help us work towards joins. In maths work this week we have been learning about equal and unequal groups. We practised grouping and counting in 2's. Our investigations into number patterns this week has looked at number bonds to 10. We have worked in lots of different ways but really enjoyed the 'ping pong' game! We had a fun day on Thursday for World Book Day. We had lots of interesting book characters in Class 2 including some from favourite Roald Dahl stories, special investigators, snow leopards and even an alien in his underpants! We enjoyed listening to and reading stories throughout the day.



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Class 3

This week Class 3 have been learning about mosaics, working in groups and making notes from what we have learnt and having a go at copying some of the intricate designs. They were not as easy as we thought they would be and involved counting to keep on track! In maths, we have been trying to draw 2D shapes accurately using dotted paper and rulers to help with squares and string and chalk to make a compass. We also assessed to see where we were up to with our 4 formal operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We have enjoyed our first lesson of cricket with the CITC coach and learnt some good bowling techniques.

Class 4

We have focussed on fronted adverbials this week in English. After recapping adverbs, we had a go at writing a variety of adverbials, before placing them at the front of sentences. In maths we have been solving multiplication and division questions, and have recognised that we can often use our times table knowledge, or the inverse operation, to solve a tricky question. For theme we studied the Roman army. We also found time to design, and then build models, of an ideal rabbit hutch. The winning entry will be built by the children and Mr Ryan and will house the new school rabbits, which will be joining us soon.

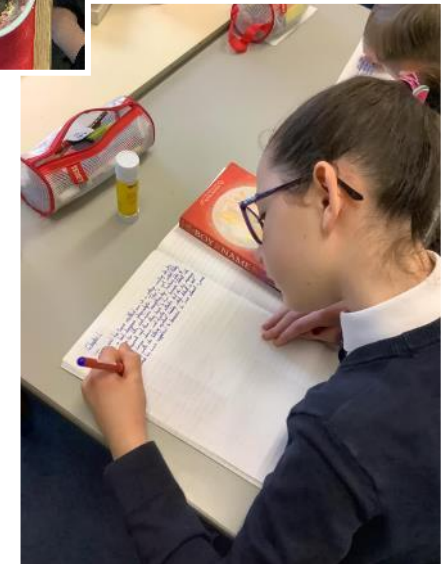
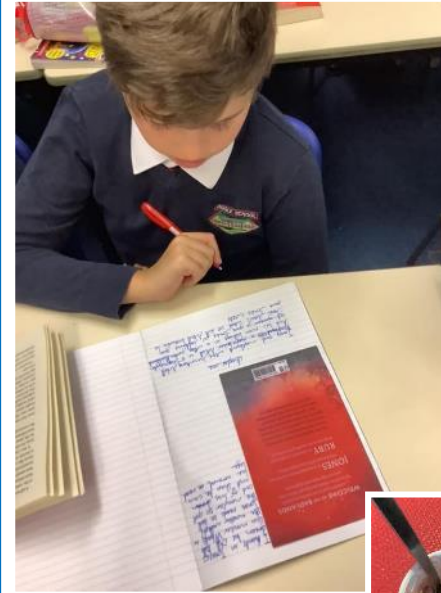
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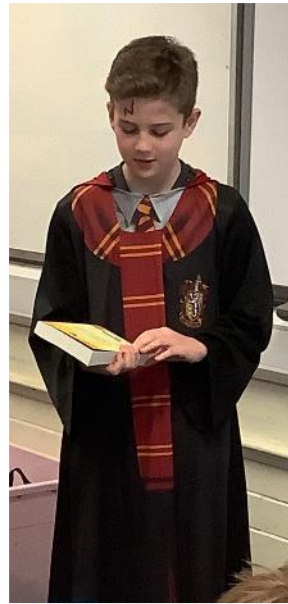
This week we have started to read *The Boy with One Name* which is the text we will be reading this half term. We have created a character profile for the main character Jones and have designed our own weapon after researching an old fashioned revolver, which is used by one of the characters. In Maths we have been multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 and moving onto reasoning problems involving this strategy. In Science we have started out *Living Things and their Habitats* topic where we have looked at sexual and asexual production of plants.

Class 6

This week in class 6 we have started to read our class text *The Girl of Ink and Stars* where we have created a missing poster for one of the characters and explored the feelings of the main character throughout some of the events we have learnt about so far. In Maths we have been adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators, using our knowledge of equivalent fractions to convert so that the denominators are the same. We have also enjoyed our first Lifestyles session with Monique from City in the Community where we have discussed healthy lifestyles and made rolled oats with yoghurt and fruit.

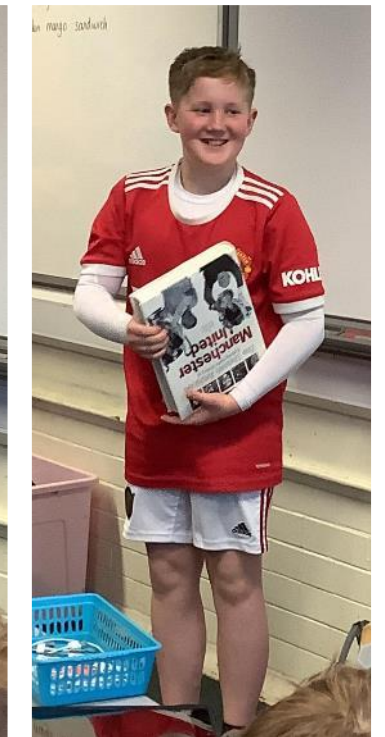
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Its WORLD BOOK DAY!!





Notices

Parent Pay

Please make sure your Dinner Money and BASC fees are up to date. Please consider using the auto top-up function in Parent Pay for dinner money - this enables you to set an automatic payment of an amount you set to be triggered when the account balance gets to a specific point, meaning you don't get in debt. Music fees for Autumn and Spring should also now be paid.

New School Telephone Number

From April we will have a new phone number at school. Please can everyone can update their contacts and start using it in advance of the current number being turned off.

01457 601970

New school email address

We are also changing our email system. The teachers have been on the new system for a while, however the remaining staff will be moving onto the diggleschool.co.uk domain in the coming weeks. From after half term, if you are contacting the office to with regard to your child's attendance or absence - ie leaving early for appointments, late arrival, change in going home arrangements, confirmation of negative covid test, absence request forms, illness, etc please use

attendance@diggleschool.co.uk

Cricket with CITC

Year 3 have enjoyed their first cricket lessons with City in the Community this week.



THE
SADDLEWORTH
SUMMER SHOW



We are looking for talented young musicians to perform at this summer's **Saddleworth Show on 26th June** and other gigs

Bootcamp:

11th & 12th April,
30th May
1pm - 4pm

The Space, Egerton Street, Oldham

For more information contact events@mahdloyz.org



Auditions
31st May

Aged 8-19?
*Enjoy singing,
playing an
instrument
or want to gig
with your
band?*



Oldham
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MAHDLO
An OnSide youth zone



Now taking bookings for Easter!

Children will take part in lots of activities, themed arts and crafts and outdoor activities.
A morning and afternoon snack will be provided and fresh water and juice will be available.

To book, please email:
landaholidayclub@gmail.com

Price; Mini day: 8.45am – 4pm £23 per child per day
(PAYMENT due to secure your booking within a week of your confirmation email)