DIGGLE STAR - 09.06.2023





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Maya Goldstraw - for making the right choices and setting a good example to everyone.

Emily Walsh - for a fantastic effort in her maths assessments.

Ellis Gill - for his fantastic contributions in Science this week.

Alfie Beach - for a mature approach to all his work.

Harriett Comer - for amazing progress in Spelling.

Elizabeth Crowther - for working hard in phonics and with her reading and for making good choices this week.



HEADTEACHER'S COMMENTS

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely half term and you enjoyed the lovely weather we have been having.

We are hoping the sunshine remains tomorrow for our FODS Colour Run.

There will be activities and refreshments available from 1pm to 5pm tomorrow (Saturday 10th) on the school field.

The Colour Run sounds like tremendous fun and it is a new exciting venture for Diggle, as we have never done one before.

As we have never done this before we are a little unsure how long the powder will remain on the field after the event. If we get some decent rainfall on Sunday it should have washed away. If not there may still be traces around when we return to school on Monday. With this in mind please be aware that children may come home next week with some powder on their clothes. This should wash out but you may want to send them in some older uniform that you are not too worried about getting stained at this point in the year.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 10th June - FODS Colour Run

W/C 12th June - FODS Father's Day Gift Sale

Wed 14-Fri 16th June - y6 at Kingswood

Mon 26th June - Open Day

Mon 3rd July - Welcome Evening 6-6.30pm/6.30-7pm

Tues 18th July - Y5&6 performance 2pm & 6pm

Thurs 20th July - FODS Make the Rules Day

Fri 21st July -

Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9-10am Children finish for summer holidays



Class R

This week, Class R have started our new topic for this half term - Marvelous Minibeasts. We asked the question 'What is a Minibeasts?' and the children were curious that Minibeasts were invertebrates, which meant they have no spine. The children were able to name 20 different Minibeasts and had fun drawing and labelling some of their favourites. We read lots of Minibeast stories and the children enjoyed looking for Minibeasts in our outdoor area and talking about signs that Minibeasts lived there e.g. snail trials, spider webs etc.

Our new topic also extended into our R.E. learning this week and the children listened to religious stories involving Minibeasts and animals such as 'Muhammed and the ant.' Chein our school dog joined the class to help the children develop responsibility for caring for living things - whether they are furry or small like a Minibeast.

In Maths, we have been looking at addition and practicing First, Then and Now stories with Minibeasts. We read the story 'Mr Gumpy's outing' by John Burningham and the children enjoyed retelling the story while practicing their addition and using the outdoor resources to build their own boat. The children have also been using Part, Part, Whole models and Tens frames to explore addition and have been able to practically see that when we add numbers together the answer is a greater number.

In P.E, the children children were talking about motor cars and transport. The children practiced travelling and negotiating space as different forms of transport. The children loved the traffic light game and worked on their attention and listening skills as they had to watch what colour the traffic light changes too.



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

Class 1

This week in Maths we have completed some assessments on length and height, mass and weight and volume and capacity. We then started our final unit on place value counting from 50 to 100. We have continued a number sequence counting in ones forwards or backwards starting anywhere between 50-100. We have also practised counting in tens to 100 and recognising how many tens make each multiple of 10. In English we have started our new text linked to our Africa topic 'Lila and the secret of rain'. We looked at the image of Lila's village from the book and in pairs we scribed our predictions about what this place might be like. We then read the first part of the story up to where Lila hears her mama and the villagers saying that the well has dried up, the crops have failed and without water there can be no life. We completed thought bubbles for Lila, writing about how she might think and feel after hearing this. This week has been computing week and we have been working on Data and information-Grouping data. In this unit we have learnt about what data is and how we can name and label objects, sort them and group them according to their properties to make a data set.

Class 2

This week Class Two have enjoyed listening to and reading the story 'Lila and the secret of Rain' as an introduction to our African Adventure theme. In Lila's Kenyan village there has been no rain for months. Lila's grandfather tells her the secret of rain and what she needs to do. Will Lila save the village? We discussed the importance of water and considered how we could be more careful with the water we use. Maths this week has been fraction-tastic! We have worked with halves, quarters and thirds of shapes and amounts. We learned that a fraction represents equal parts of a whole, by dividing it up into equal partitions. We worked practically and solved simple problems. We planted our sunflower seeds this week and are crossing our fingers they soon start to grow. The seed heads will feed the birds in the Autumn once the sunflower has finished flowering. We have written instructions for planting and caring for them and made concertina paper sunflowers too. In PE we began work on athletics by working on running techniques and moving in different ways. In music we began learning to play the recorder by singing a rap, finding out how to hold it correctly and trying to play the note B.









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Class 3

This week, Class 3 have been focussing on improving their cursive handwriting and it is really making a difference! In maths, we have been working with money; adding, subtracting and giving change as well as using our reasoning skills to solve money related problems. We have started our new unit of Plants in science and looked at Yes/No questions for Branch Diagrams in Computing. We have continued with our Novel 'The StrangeWorlds Travel Agency'; predicting and writing descriptions and are looking forward to moving on to our Athletics with Chiara from CITC.

Class 4

A great week back for Class 4! In theme we continued our Around the World in 80 Days topic by looking at the arctic and antarctic circles. We compared daylight hours across the year and filled in a bar chart to show this comparison. We started our new science unit Sound by witnessing that all sounds are caused by vibrations. We then explored different sounds across the school, and what was vibrating to cause them. In SMSC we learnt what is needed to reproduce, and in maths we continued with another unit on decimals (after completing some assessments). Finally, in English we looked at another page of our book Journey and made some amazing predictions.

Class 5

This week Class 5 have been working to complete a big chunk of our SCience topic. We explored animal life cycles and reproduction of birds as well at metamorphosis. In English we have been looking at cohesion within paragraphs and how authors develop characters in a novel. We took Jones from our novel The Boy with One Name as our example. WE also practised preparing poems to be read aloud. In maths we have been learning all about statistics including how to draw and interpret line graphs.

Class 6

This week in Class 6 we have been working hard on learning some of the songs for our end of year production, along with trying to add some choreography for some of these. We have carried out some maths assessments which will be used to continue with our learning over the next couple of weeks. We had a science day on Wednesday where we looked at Light and learnt about how we see and the importance of reflection by making periscopes and when we might use it and also the idea of refractions and why things appear bent, due to the speed which light travels through different mediums and we finished this off by looking at shadows and how they are formed. In Computing we have started to design our own model of a house using 3D shapes in the app Tinkercad. At the end of this week we have been baking cupcakes, krispie cakes and also cookies, which we will be selling on our stall at the Colour Run tomorrow to raise money for our Leavers party at the end of the year.

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Next Week's school dinner menu

We will be on week 2 of the school dinner menu next week.

If your child does not usually have dinners, why not see if there is a day they would like to try. Dinners are charged at £2.50 per meal for years 3-6 unless you are entitled to free school meals.

Week Two				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spiced Chicken Burger Gluten, (H)	Minced Beef and Vegetable Pie Gluten, Egg	Chicken Dinner	Fish Finger Wrap Fish. Eqq. Gluten, Milk (H)	Margarita Pizza Gluten, Milk
Creamy Pasta Bake (V)	Cheese and Pepper Omelette Gluten, Egg, Milk	Quorn Fillet Dinner	Moroccan Falafel Bites Gluten	Veggie Rolls
Jacket potato with various fillings*	Tuna Mayo Wrap Gluten, Egg, Fish	Jacket potato with various fillings*	Ham Sandwich Gluten, Milk	
vegetables vegeta				
Spicy Wedges and mixed leaf salad	Herby Diced Potatoes, freshly made summer 'slaw Egg	Fresh Vegetables, and roasted Potatoes	Chunky Paprika Potatoes	Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans
pudding				
Assorted Cake Bar See Allergen Files	Jelly and Custard	Assorted Cake Bar See Allergen Files	Assorted Cake Bar See Allergen Files	Yoghurt Pots Milk
Salad bar selection, fresh fruit are available every day Omega 3 enriched fishfingers are served, desserts are home-made, potatoes are not fried				

Notices

Parent Pay

Thankyou to everyone who have ensured their Parent Pay balances are in credit, or have paid Music fees on time. It is appreciated.

Please can everyone ensure their BASC and school dinner balances are in credit, and remain in credit, and all music fees are paid in full for the year. If you haven't already done so, please consider setting up the Auto top-up feature in Parent Pay which ensures you do not slip into debt.

If your child is in Year 6, or you are leaving us at the end of this term, and you use BASC, please check your balance and ensure you are adjusting your payments to *aim* to finish the year without debt or credit. This is very important if you pay by Tax Free Childcare or Childcare Vouchers - these payments cannot be refunded due to the tax implications.

Welcome Evening

This year's welcome evening will be held on Monday 3rd July. There are 2 sessions - 6-6.30pm and 6.30-7pm and will be held in school. Each session is the same, but allows for parents with children in more than one class to visit 2 classes. Please just come to school in time for the meeting to start at either 6 or 6.30. These sessions are for parents - children do not attend, and are an opportunity for you to meet the class teacher for the new school year in September, in the new classroom, hear about what will happen in class, the routines and expectations, and an opportunity for you to ask any questions.

(Please note for parents of new class R children, the welcome evening will be on Tuesday 4th July as per the welcome letter you should have received today)

Class Photos

You should now have received an email containing a link to view your child's class photo. Should you wish to make a purchase please do so via the photography company directly as indicated via the link. Thankyou.







Are you a parent with a child starting school in 2024?

Do you want your child to learn and achieve in a "friendly and supportive environment"?

Would you like your child to attend a school rated 'Good' by Ofsted, with large outdoor grounds and lots of opportunities to learn and grow inside and outside of the classroom?

Diggle School is holding a Summer Open Day where adults and children can tour and experience all we have to offer at Diggle School.

All year groups are accepting places and we welcome children who live outside of our catchment area.

> The Open Day is on Monday 26th June 2023.

Parents & children can attend either the morning or afternoon session and will spend time in the classroom, their child would be moving into.

> Morning Session: 9am - 10am Afternoon Session: 2pm - 3pm

For more information please contact us. enquiries@diggleschool.co.uk By phone :01457 601970















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