

Diggle Stars

YR: Heidi Clay for her positive attitude and trying extra hard in her lessons.

Y1: Thomas Russell for an improved attitude to learning and being more reflective.

Y2: Emilia Sivori for great reasoning in her Science work and asking good questions to find out more.

Y3: Oliver Ashton for a more responsible attitude to his learning and getting on without a fuss.

Y4: Millie Tomlin for taking responsibility for her own learning by using mind mapping to keep focused.

Y5: Molly Dronsfield for always being a great example.

Y6: Caelum Whiteley for a huge improvement in both behaviour **and** attitude to learning.

Well done to you all for all your hard work. We are very proud of you!



House Points - The Scores on the Doors Overall totals so far this term ...



Dovestone	388
Swellands	310
Black Moss	355
Redbrook	393

The house with the most points this week was Dovestone with 151 - Well done!

The Diggle Star



Friday 27th January
2017

Dates for your diary

Monday 6th February Open Day- Maths 9.15-10.15am
2.00-3.00pm

Thursday 9th February Choir Book Sale £1 a book (see letter attached)

Tuesday 7th February Class 3 Trip to Castleshaw
Monday 27th February to Friday 3rd March – Book Fair
3.15pm

Tuesday 28th February- Parents Evening 3.30-6.30pm

Wednesday 1st March –Parents Evening 3.30-6.30pm

Thursday 2nd March –World Book Day

Monday 6th March Spring Concert at Civic Hall
6.30pm

Wednesday 15th March to Friday 17th March -Class 6
Kingswood Residential

Monday 20th March- Last week of Clubs

Tuesday 21st March Choir trip- Masterclass Halle
St Peters

Tuesday 28th March Class 3/4 Production 2pm & 6pm

Head Teacher's Comment

It has been brought to my attention that a lot of children in school are using a gaming site called Roblox. This allows children to play in different games using an avatar that they create themselves. It also allows them to chat online to other players.

If your child is using this game please ensure that you check up on who your child is chatting to and what is being said. All KS2 children have been spoken to today about only chatting with people that they actually know in real life and have been reminded not to put any personal details about themselves in these chats.

By working together we can continue to ensure our children are safe online.

What have we learnt?

Class R In English this week Class R have been writing wanted posters to find an alien, they have been writing sentences and using describing words. In Maths this week they have been working on patterns and symmetry, creating their own repeating patterns and finding objects that are symmetrical. In theme this week Class R have completed two experiments involving air, trying to move paper rockets using different objects such as balloons and straws.

Class 1 In English we have been writing our own versions of Little Red Riding Hood with a bit of a twist. In Maths we have been learning about the properties of 2D shapes. In Theme we have learnt how to use clay tools to create certain effects and we had a visit from Mrs Mellor's Grandma who answered our questions about what life was like when she was a little girl.

Class 2 In Maths we have been practising our addition and subtraction of 2 digit numbers. We have also been investigating 3D shapes and their properties. In English we have written about our visit to buy stamps at Diggle Post Office. In Theme we have been finding out more about changes in living memory. We really enjoyed it when Mrs Mellor's grandma, who is 94, came to see us. We were able to ask her lots of questions about her life when she was our age.

Class 3 This week in English we have been writing non-fiction based on Sporting Heroes. We have looked at olympic and paralympic swimmers that used to go to Diggle School and our own sporting hero. In Maths we have been learning about place value and fractions. In theme we have been looking at how rocks are useful to us.

Class 4 This week we have interviewed PC Smith as part of our Heroes and villains theme. Then in English we looked at how to write up an interview and used joined handwriting to present it.

In Maths we have been finding fractions of shapes, changing mixed numbers to improper fractions and finding fractions of amounts.

Class 5 In Maths we have been learning the formal written method for division. In English we have been writing instructions for the walk we went on last week. In theme we have been turning our persuasive writing in to a holiday brochure about Diggle. In science we have been learning about the human life cycle and about the famous naturalists: David Attenborough and Jane Goodall.

Class 6 In English this week, we have been finishing off our news reports about the sinking of the Titanic. We have also been looking at emotive language and started writing a diary entry as a survivor of the Titanic. In Maths, we have continued our work on converting measures and have begun looking at using negative numbers in context. In theme this week, we have used a photograph that we took on our walk around Diggle to begin creating a watercolour from this. We have spent time learning how to mix colours and the techniques needed for using watercolours effectively.

This week's reporters are: Harley Edge, Finlay Heydon, Archie Scott, Sam Dolan-Falcao, Caelum Whiteley and Joe Cassar.

A Visit from Mrs Mellor's Grandma



On Wednesday our Deputy Head teacher Mrs Mellor brought her Grandma in to school to meet Class 1 and 2 because they are learning about changes within living memory as part of their theme Butcher, Baker, Candlestick maker. They asked her questions about what it was like when she was a little girl. Mia in Class 2 said "We asked her questions like did you have a bathroom? And she told us that she didn't have one. They had to have a wash at the kitchen sink and only had a bath once a week. The toilet was outside and they didn't have toilet paper so they used squares of newspaper instead!" George in class 2 said "We asked her what kind of sweets she had and she said they didn't have many to choose from, only jelly babies, dolly mixtures and caramel that they broke up with a hammer." She is 94 years old and she told them about lots of changes. In her house as a little girl they didn't have electricity they only had gas lights and candles. They had an open fire and a range with an oven to do the cooking and boil the kettle. They had to put coal on the fire when it was getting low. Amelia Beach in class 1 said "She said they had a whip and top, skipping rope and played hopscotch.

6R's- Respect

This term we are having a big push on our 6Rs and particularly hoping to show these qualities both at school and home for our parents to see. This week we are focusing on **Respect**.

Respect means when you are polite to others for example holding the door open. Being respectful also means using your manners by saying please and thank you. It is respectful to listen when someone is talking and to wait your turn to speak in a conversation. If we do these kinds of things in school we get a respectful sticker for our 6Rs book.

Abbie Johnson in class 3 said "I waited for a music teacher to come through the door and held it open." Kai Cohen in Class 1 got a respect sticker for following instructions.

Children in classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been very respectful when listening to the visitors they have had in school this week and both visitors were very impressed.

We would like you to look for examples of your children being respectful outside of school and let us know about what you see.

Please pass on any comments to your child's class teacher so the children can be rewarded.

NOTICES

Wine Tasting Evening

Tickets are still available for the wine tasting event. Come along and enjoy some great wine and good company. Tickets are £15 with all profits going to improve the outdoor facilities at the school. An ideal event to meet new friends and end dry January!

UPPERMILL C.C. WANT YOU!

YEAR 5 & 6 CRICKETERS

Winter Practice & Training

Starts Sunday 22nd January

Then Sundays until 9th April

1pm - 2pm

At West Hill School Stalybridge SK15 1LX

£1 per session.

Enquiries Jim Bradbury 873860 or 07768214027

Young witches and wizards are being invited to hop onto their broomsticks and head for Delph to celebrate Harry Potter Book Night 2017 with a fun family film event.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of JK Rowling's first Harry Potter tale, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. Saddleworth Children's Book Group is joining in the fun of the anniversary and the annual book night with a special showing of the film of that first book, along with a themed family quiz. Children who go along will be able to tuck into Potter's Pizza and Hagrid's Hot Dogs.

The Millgate Arts Centre on Stoneswood Road, Delph, is the venue for the event on Sunday 5th February from 3.45-7pm.

Children (and their adults!) are welcome to dress up in their favourite wizarding robes if they wish – those who don't have a suitable outfit will also be able to delve into the book group's Harry Potter dressing up box for props and pose for photos! There will be prizes for the best costumes – this year's theme for the book night is the Professors of Hogwarts so the group is hoping to see some scary Snapes, funny Flitwicks and magnificent McGonagall's alongside the Harrys, Rons and Hermiones'.

Tickets are £5 per child, which includes the film showing, popcorn and party food. There is no admission charge for accompanying adults but the grown-ups will be able to buy hot home-made food. There will also be a raffle with a chance to win a hand-made Platform 9 ¾ sign and books.

Please reserve tickets via the group's Facebook page

www.facebook.com/saddleworthchildrensbookgroup or email Saddleworthchildrensbookgroup@gmail.com.



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