

## Diggle Stars

Lily Hazlehurst and Charlie Delaney – for showing consideration for others and being helpful and hardworking.

Jacob Downing – for working really hard on his handwriting.

Lucas Brendel – for hard work and effort in maths.

Harry Spencer – for a much improved effort in his class behaviour.

Sophie Hawes and Alanna Moore – for always following the 6 R's



## Head teacher's Comment

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February the school will be undertaking a Peer Review. As part of the DLP we employ a serving OFSTED inspector to come into school alongside a head from another DLP school to carry out a review of the school. As part of this I would like to invite parent's to come in and talk about their views of the new reading records we have set up. You would need to be able to come to come for 9am and be prepared to give 30 minutes of your time, to share your views. If you are interested, please let the school office know by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February so we know how many parents to expect.

# The Diggle Star



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019

### Dates for your diary

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO ONLY LOOK AT THE TERM DATES ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE - DIGGLEPRIMARY.CO.UK**

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Feb – Open morning 9:15 – 10:00 am  
Open afternoon 2:15 – 3:00 pm

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – class 4 trip to Oakwell Hall  
Weds 13<sup>th</sup> Feb – class 3 trip to Oakwell Hall

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb – FODS Valentines Disco

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb – School closes for half term**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb – School reopens**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Fundraising car wash 8.30-1

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> & Tues 5<sup>th</sup> March – Parents evening

Thurs March 7<sup>th</sup> – World Book day

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Book fair arrives for the week

Tues 12<sup>th</sup> March – Spring concert @ Uppermill Civic Hall, arrive at 5:15pm for 5:30 start.

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr – Y3/4 Performance

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr, Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Apr, Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Apr – Choir supporting St Chad's All Stars in their production of Joseph

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April – School Closes for Easter**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Diggle Scarecrow Trail Starts

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Diggle Scarecrow Trails ends

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – School reopens**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Class photos

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Summer Fete

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Y5/6 Productions

**19<sup>th</sup> July - Finish for Summer Holidays**

### What have we learnt?

Class R This week in Theme we have been making Jam sandwiches for our trip to the moon like baby bear in whatever next. In English we have been writing our recipes and instructions for our jam sandwiches and we have written lists of things for our trip to the moon. In Maths we have been working on subtraction, reading number sentences and using number lines. In SMSC we have been learning about Chinese New Year, we wore our special hats and went on a trip to China where we tried some traditional Chinese food.

Class 1 In English we have finished reading the story of Beegu and have written speech and thought bubbles, generated words to describe Beegu and completed an emotions graph. In Maths we have been learning to choose coins to make up an amount up to £1 and thought of different ways to make the same amount. In Theme we have looked at how schools in the past were similar and different to schools now.

Class 2 In English this week we have been drawing and annotating pictures as part of planning a recount. based on 'Man on the Moon'. We will be writing about what happens during Bob's day using lots of features we have been working on. In Maths we have been linking money to times tables and using a coin grid to practise x2 x5 x10. Our active maths this week focused on time linked to school activities. In Science we used everything we have learned in this topic to design a good pet home. We made sure the home had food, water, shelter and a space to play, rest and exercise.

Class 3 This week in English we have been using the prefixes super and sub to make new words for sentences. We have also looked at rules for adding a/an before a word. We have done lots of cross curricular writing using conjunctions in theme to compare a Tudor and modern kitchen. We have also used our non-fiction knowledge to produce a science booklet on Light and Dark and a poster on How to Stay Safe in the Sun and the Dark. We enjoyed having the ropes out this week in Gymnastics and some of us have made great progress with our balance and travelling through and over the larger apparatus.

Class 4 Our maths this week has focussed on area. We have used the 'base x height' rule and applied it to shapes of increasing difficulty. We have finished The Incredible Book Eating Boy in English. We spent the first part of the week creating menus with suitable headings and subheadings before going on to 'fronted adverbials'. Our PE dance module featured the aquarium section of Sant-Saen's Carnival of the Animals this week. We danced individually and in groups to represent the rhythm or 'feel' of the music.

Class 5 This week in Class 5 in English we have been using a range of SPaG activities; looking at using commas to clarify meaning, using the suffixes -ate, -ise and -ify to change nouns and adjectives into verbs. In Maths we have been finding the area of rectilinear and compound shapes. In Science we have looked at pollination and sexual and asexual reproduction in plants.

Class 6 This week in maths, we have completed some work on long division and then incorporated this into word problems and reasoning. In English, we have spent some time completing a piece of independent writing as well as thinking about idioms and their meaning. In theme, we have begun to put together a leaflet about a place in Africa – this includes location, culture, cuisine etc. We have also had a go at some practice SATs – the children have tried incredibly hard with these and their results are promising.

## After School Activities

Following the recent spell of bad weather, it is great to see all the after school activities back up and running!



### Sent on behalf of Rayhana Khatun, Bilingual Co-Worker/Speech and Language Therapy Assistant

We have arranged a number of drop-in sessions for children who are having trouble talking and following instructions. Parents are welcome to come along with their children (or school staff with parental consent) to talk about how their child is doing and what we can do to help.

The sessions are at:

Wednesday 13 February 2019, 9 – 11.30am  
Oasis Academy Limeside  
Third Avenue  
Limeside  
Oldham, OL8 3SB

Monday 4 March, 1.30 – 4pm  
Woodlands Primary Academy  
Broadbent Road  
Oldham, OL1 4HU

Wednesday 20 March, 9 – 11.30am  
Blackshaw Lane Primary School  
Blackshaw Lane  
Royton  
Oldham, OL2 6NT

If you have any questions, please call 0161 621 3666.

## Notices

### Parent Pay

Music tuition fees for the Spring Term are now due.

Please ensure you keep your **dinner money** accounts in credit, and also for those of you who pay direct for the **BASC** services, please ensure your account is kept in credit.

### Tudor Costumes

As class 3 and 4 are going on their trip to Oakwell hall soon, any old Tudor costume donations would be welcome for the children to wear whilst on the trip.

### FODS Valentines Disco

Just a reminder that next Friday is the Valentines Disco. Forms should now be in but if you haven't had chance please ensure you get these to school by Monday at the latest.

Don't forget that children who are attending can come into school in their (practical!) party clothes and be mindful of the pick-up arrangements which are detailed in the disco entry form.

We are looking forward to having a great fundraiser for the children!

### Open Day

Open day is on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. Parents can come in from 9:15-10:00 am or from 2:15-3:00 pm. The activities this time will be focussing on maths.

### World Book Day

Children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day. If you have the book at home, it is great for the children to bring their book to share with their class.



## FODS Diggle Scarecrow Trail 2019

FODS are pleased to be holding our first ever scarecrow trail throughout the Easter holidays. The trail is open to everyone and will be lots of fun! The theme is children's books, and as well as an Easter treat for every child who does the trail, you will be entered into a prize draw if you get all the books right. Trails will be available from The Gate Inn, Diggle Post Office, Grandpa Greene's and Vintage Ambiance and will cost £3 with all profits going to benefit the school.

If you live in Diggle and would like to make and display a scarecrow, then please pick up a scarecrow entry form from any of the above places! These are available now, along with tips on how to make your scarecrow and some ideas for children's books. There are also several great prizes for the best scarecrows! Please join in the fun and make our village look spectacular for Easter!

The Scarecrow Trail runs from Sunday 7th to Monday 22nd April.

## Chinese New Year in Class R

This week Class R have been learning about Chinese New Year. They each made a special hat for homework which they then wore during their celebration. They learnt about the story of Chinese New Year, and the different traditions during the celebration period. The children then took a flying carpet to China where they listened to Chinese music, saw Chinese writing and tasted some Chinese food. The children really seemed to enjoy learning about the different culture.

