

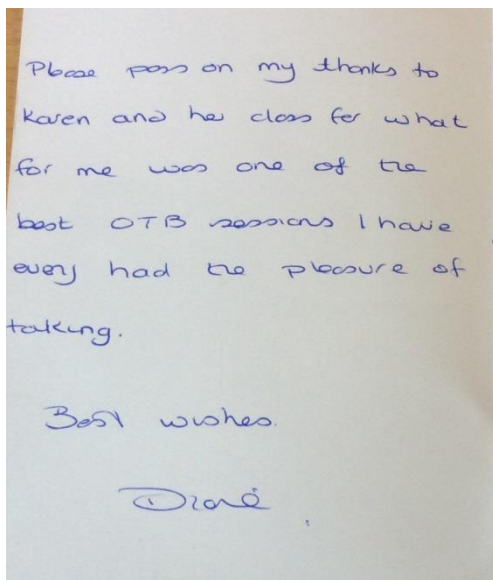
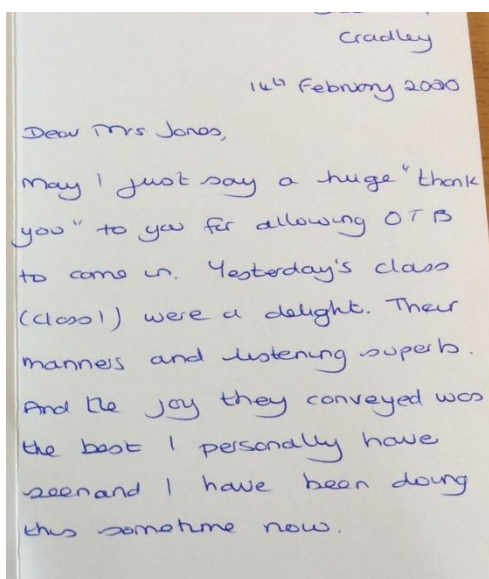
CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 14th February 2020



Thank you letter

Today I have received this letter. It is wonderful when we get such lovely feedback about our children. We are very proud of them.



Class 3 Trip

On Friday last week, Class 3 went on a trip to Caerleon in South Wales to learn about what life was like in Roman Britain. We visited an amphitheatre, the Roman baths and the Roman Legion Museum. We also visited the ruins of a barracks where the soldiers would have lived. In the museum we got to try on replica Roman armour and imagine what it would have been like to be a soldier.

We also got to take part in role play where some of us were from rich families and some of us were slaves. We discovered all the things they would have eaten, some of them were gross! We all learnt lots and asked some super questions!



Church Visits

Last Friday Class 2 visited Cradley Church as part of our Special Places topic in RE. We did a hunt around the Church looking for different objects that make the Church special. We found out about how the bells work and had a go at ringing them and then we used our senses to see what we could see, hear, smell and touch inside the Church. We found out about St Francis and the special stained glass window dedicated to him. Thank you to Mr Pitt, Mrs Stevens and Mrs Mifflin for walking with us and supporting us.



On Tuesday Class 1 visited Cradley Church. It was a cold wintery walk but warm and welcoming at the Church. We searched for different items in the Church that we have been learning about. We heard all about St Francis and saw a beautiful window that tells his story. We heard the bell in the clock chime, smelt the beautiful flowers and touched the cold stone font. Thank you to Mrs Blewett and Mrs Pinchbeck who came with us.



Reminder!

Our whole school food policy states that children should only bring fruit or vegetables (e.g. carrot sticks) to school for snack at break time. KS1 children are provided with a free piece of fruit and KS2 can bring some fruit into school to eat at break time. Fruit based products such as wafers and fruit flakes are not allowed. Children should have a water bottle in school every day. Juice drinks should only be drunk as part of lunch. Please be aware that chocolate spreads, such as Nutella and some cereal bars should not be sent in packed lunches as we have children and staff in school with nut allergies.

E-Safety Update

Due to the increased number of devices being brought into after school and breakfast club, we have decided that children can no longer bring in devices from home, including mobile phones or iPads. Any devices brought into school should be left in the office until the end of the day.

On-line Games and Apps

Fortnite, Mine Craft, Animal Jam and Roblox are just a few examples of the games that children are known to

enjoy playing. However, parents and guardians do need to consider the following:

- how age appropriate is the game's content? What might appear as an innocent children's game can often include adult themed scenes. Not all children are able to understand that this is inappropriate content or know how to remove themselves from the situation. For example Fortnite is recommended to be appropriate only for children of 12 years and over.
- how are the children interacting with other users as part of the game? Younger players will not have the judgement skills to be able to recognise that they may be interacting with strangers. Check the privacy settings and disable chatroom access.
- do you have parental access to your child's account? Games for younger children normally require a parental email to set up the game. It is worrying to learn that many children use fake email addresses to get past this security requirement when setting up their accounts.

Playing online games can be a positive experience and we would not want to stop our children enjoying these activities. However, it is so important that as care givers, we keep a regular eye on what our children are doing, that we talk to them about appropriate safety measures, how to identify possible risks and to tell an adult if they have any concerns.

World Book Day

Advanced notice - on March 5th we will be celebrating World Book Day. The children will be able to dress up as one of their favourite book characters.

Food Bank

We will continue to collect for the food bank this term. Tins, packets and toiletries will be very gratefully received. All donations can be placed in the box in the foyer.

Welcome Wednesday

The Class 1 Welcome Wednesday will be held on Wednesday 26th February; Class 1 parents are invited into the classroom to share the children's work with them at 8.50am.

FOCS News

A big thank you to everyone who came to the disco last Friday evening, the children had a great time! Thank you also for your clothes donations for Rags 2 Riches today, we will update you with the amount raised as soon as we find out.

Have a lovely half term!

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have finished off our theme of weather with some fun activities. On Monday Lauren helped us practise our Maths using the sun and we had to match the correct number of rays for the sunshine. On Tuesday we enjoyed P.E with Katrina where we had our own multi-skills session. On Wednesday we made our own playdough and turned it yellow and orange to make our own sunshine's to take home with us. Thursday was very exciting as the local village toddler group joined us for the morning and the room was filled with love ready for

Valentine's Day, we had lots of valentines craft out to play with and enjoyed playing with new friends. We finished off our term on Friday with making sun name pictures with Carol, where we cut up our names and decorated them onto sun pictures. We hope you all have a lovely half term.

Teeny Tots

We are a friendly local toddler group that meets in Storridge Village Hall and occasionally at Cradley Nursery. We welcome little ones from 0-5, accompanied and supervised by their parents/carers, to stay and play. Please join us on Thursdays from 10:30-12, during term time, for a charge of £2 per family, which includes a craft activity, game, songs, snacks and drinks. Please come and join us!

Attendance

Well done to Class 2 who've had 97.32% attendance this week. They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that late arrivals after the registers close at 8.55am count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.

Class 1 - 95.83%
Class 2 - 97.32%
Class 3 - 96.0%
Class 4 - 96.26%
Class 5 - 97.22%
Whole School - 96.41%

Value of the Month - Respect

Be kind and honest and you will live a long life; others will respect you and treat you fairly (Proverbs 21:21).

Chosen by Mrs Kirkwood

Head Teacher Award

Rory Taylor & Thomas Exton for a superb performance as Tenzing Norgay & Sir Edmund Hillary and for showing excellent knowledge of their expedition to Everest

Stars of the week

Nursery

Oscar Jackson for being kind and caring to others
Finlay Maiden for being confident and independent

Reception

Thomas Blewett for his persistence and pride
Nicholas Hurley for his positive attitude

Year 1

Johnny Duncan for showing a positive attitude and for co-operation in Maths
Frankie Taylor for super independent writing

Year 2

Ruby Cowell for thinking positively in Maths all week
Oliver Eaton for being persistent when working on his adding and subtracting in Maths

Year 3

Chloe Bagnall for determination in Maths this half term
Oliver Blewett for great editing of work

Year 4

Seb Seldon for taking a risk and writing an excellent narrative independently

Tommy Bishop for excellent independent writing

Year 5

Henry Jackson for amazing co-ordinate work
Jacob Robertson for persisting with reading

Year 6

Eve Vipond for always showing commitment to learning and for great persistence in preparing her poem performance

Laura Jones for 100% commitment in all she does

Dates for the Future

FEBRUARY

Value of the Month - Respect

Monday 24th

Back to school
Choir Cathedral visit

Wednesday 26th

Class 1 Welcome Wednesday

Friday 28th

ASC Film Night - 'Playmobil the Movie'

MARCH

Value of the Month - Forgiveness

Monday 2nd

Big Write Week

Tuesday 3rd

KS1 girl's football @ JMHS 4-5pm

Thursday 5th

World Book Day

Friday 6th

Choir Festival

Tuesday 10th

Eggstravaganza @ RGS for Year 5

Wednesday 11th

Class 4 Collective Worship

Thursday 12th

Net & Wall KS2 @ JMHS 9-11am

Monday 16th

Big Sing Yr 5/6

Tuesday 17th

Hi Five Netball @ JMHS 9.15-11am

Wednesday 18th

Class 3 Welcome Wednesday

Friday 20th

Digital Leaders Conference

Tuesday 24th

Last swim for Yr3/4

Wednesday 25th

Class 5 Welcome Wednesday

Yr 3/4 mixed football @ JMHS 4-5pm

Thursday 26th

ASC Film Night - 'The Secret Life of Pets 2'

Friday 27th

Whole School walk

Monday 30th

Bike Ability Yr 6

Tuesday 31st

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APRIL

Value of the Month - Responsibility

Wednesday 1st

Bike Ability Yr 6

Thursday 2nd

Easter Service

Last day of term

Monday 20th

Back to school

Friday 24th

KS2 Tennis @ JMHS

Wednesday 29th

MSJ Lacrosse Festival Yr 5/6 girls