



**SUMMER TERM**

**19 April 2024**

**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **School Newsletter**

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## **Message from the Head Teacher**

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a relief to see a bit of sunshine. The calmer, sunnier weather has such a positive impact on everyone.

I am getting some really positive feedback about the new school lunch provider. There have been a couple of little teething problems but on the whole it has been a very positive change. The food looks and smells delicious. I am considering ordering some for my own lunch.

Parents have this week received their reception place offers and we are looking forward to welcoming children into Class 1 very soon. If you know anyone who is unhappy with the offer they received, we do have spaces available and I will be delighted to show any prospective parents around.

Have a great weekend,

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

### **VALUE OF THE MONTH**

#### **TRUST**

*'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.'*

**Proverbs 3:5-6**



# Attendance



Well done to Spruce Class who have had 98.49% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class 96.03%

Whole school 95.71%

Sycamore Class 97.27%

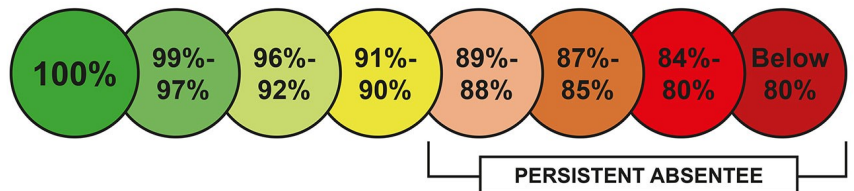
Birch Class 94.57%

Spruce Class 98.49%

Oak Class 93.85%

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

## Keep in touch with us on social media!



**Cradley CE Primary School**



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# School Calendar

## April

Wednesday 24 - Class 2 Collective Worship

Wednesday 24 – Year 4 Residential

## May

Monday 6 – Bank Holiday (No School)

Wednesday 8—Class 3 Collective Worship

Tuesday 14-16 – SATs

Monday 20 - Healthy School Week

Tuesday 21 - Sports Day (Half Day)

Wednesday 22 - Class 1 Collective Worship

Friday 24 - Half Term

## June

Monday 3 – Back to School

Wednesday 12 - Class 5 Collective Worship

Tuesday 18 - Storridge Festival Concert with Cradley Singers and Choir

Wednesday 26 - Class 4 Collective Worship

Saturday 29 - Village Summer Fair

## July

Tuesday 9-10 - KS2 School Play

Thursday 11 - Nursery's Teddy Bears Picnic

Friday 12 - Summer Fair

Friday 12 - Reports go home

Monday 15 - Move Up Day

Wednesday 17 - Talent Show

Wednesday 17 - Year 6 , parents, Staff rounders and BBQ

Friday 19 - Year 6 Leavers Service

Friday 19 - Last Day



# Housepoint Tracker

Masefield

547

Elgar

449

Shaw

307

## Our Tree Classes!



Maple Class  
(Class 1)

Hazel Class  
(Nursery)



Birch Class  
(Class 3)

Sycamore  
Class  
(Class 2)



Oak Class  
(Class 5)

Spruce Class  
(Class 4)



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	W/C
WEEK 1	Ham & Pineapple Croquette Potatoes Peas ****	Chicken Meatballs Penne Pasta in Tomato Sauce Sweetcorn ****	Sea Stars Hash Browns Spaghetti Hoops ****	Roast Turkey Roast Potatoes Broccoli & Carrots Gravy ****	Hot Dogs Salad Bar Baked Beans ****	08/04/24 29/04/24 20/05/24
VEGGIE:	Cheese Omelette	Roasted Veg Pasta Bake	Cheese & Potato Cakes	Quorn Fillet	Veggie Hot Dog	
PUDDING:	Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce	Fruit Salad Fruit Yoghurts	Apple Crumble & Custard	Banana Cake	Fruit Jellies	
WEEK 2	Lasagne Garlic Bread Salad Bar ****	Chicken Burger Potato Wedges Salad Bar ****	Oven Baked Fish Creamed Potatoes Peas ****	Sausages Roast Potatoes Carrots, Broccoli Gravy ****	Margherita Pizza Salad Bar Baked Beans ****	15/04/24 06/05/24
VEGGIE:	Veggie Lasagne	Veggie Burger	Cheese & Onion Quiche	Veggie Sausages	Margherita Pizza	
PUDDING:	Pears with Ice Cream & Chocolate Sauce	Lemon Sponge & Custard	Sticky Toffee Pudding & Toffee Sauce	Flapjack	Fruit Salad Fruit Yoghurts	
WEEK 3	Chicken Korma Rice Naan Bread Sweetcorn ****	Jacket Potato Day Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise Salad Bar	Fish Fingers Hash Browns Peas ****	Italian Pasta Bake Sweetcorn Garlic Bread	Hot Dogs Salad Bar Baked Beans ****	22/04/24 13/05/24
VEGGIE:	Veggie Korma		Veggie Fingers		Veggie Hot Dog	
PUDDING:	Chocolate Brownie	Peaches & Ice Cream Strawberry Sauce	Jam Tart & Custard	Fairy Cakes	Fruit Fruit Yoghurts	

ALSO: JACKET POTATOES WILL BE AVAILABLE EVERY DAY WITH A CHOICE OF CHEESE, BAKED BEANS OR TUNA & MAYONN.  
FRESHLEY MADE BAGUETTES WITH A CHOICE OF HAM, CHEESE, OR TUNA MAYONNAISE. SALAD BAR AVAILABLE.

FRESH FRUIT ALWAYS AVAILABLE.

## Office Hours

The School Office is staffed from 8.30am-3pm each day. Please email [secretary@cradley.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@cradley.hereford.sch.uk) or put a message on Tapestry if possible if your child won't be in for any reason. We need to hear from you every day if your child is absent.

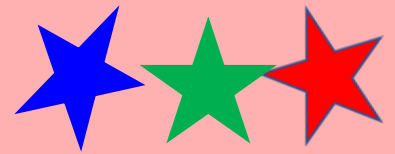


# Bowler and Chris





# WEEKLY AWARDS



## **NURSERY**

### **Friendship Award**

Innis

### **Stars of the Week**

Penelope for her amazing phonics skills during PE this week and helping others when she'd finished.

Philip for his brilliant ideas when building a bridge and not giving up when his first idea didn't go to plan.

## **Maple Class**

### **Friendship Award**

Hatty

### **Stars of the Week**

Mollie for always having a positive attitude towards learning.

Aurelia for her fantastic manners.

## **Sycamore Class**

### **Friendship Award**

Owen

### **Stars of the Week**

Ben for his brilliant progression in reading.

Stan for his amazing attitude to learning, particularly in Maths.

## **Birch Class**

### **Friendship Award**

Dominic

### **Stars of the Week**

Kenny and Hayden for being prepared to do extra work in English in order to catch up.

## **Spruce Class**

### **Friendship Award**

Summer

### **Stars of the Week**

Jasmine for all her hard work catching up on her learning.

Isla for a consistently positive attitude to learning.

## **Oak Class**

### **Friendship Award**

Ruby

### **Stars of the Week**

Harry for independently writing in full sentences.

Mya for enthusiastically sharing thoughts and ideas.

## **HEAD TEACHER AWARD**

KS2 footballers who successfully negotiated a change in the football rota to ensure no one missed out of playtime football due to other responsibilities. Showing British Values in action.

# HAZEL NEWS



This week the children have continued learning more about knights, dragons, and castles. They have been using the castle for their role playing and have been dressing up as brave knights, princes, and princesses. On Monday, Lauren led a PE session that involved the children dancing to castle themed music. When the music stopped, they had to search for an egg and match the initial sound of the picture to the correct nest and grapheme.

Katrina had five numbered castles on Tuesday and the children had to count out the number of flags needed for each one. The children took it in turns to count out the flags and place them into the top of the matching numbered castle.

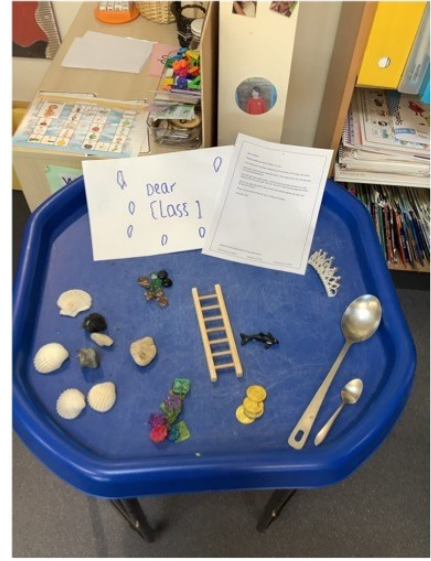
A dragon built a very messy nest in nursery on Wednesday...and the children had to search for eggs amongst the sticky swamp, with Kelley. Once the eggs had been found, the children had to count out the correct number of eggs to go into each of the dragon's pots. As well as counting, we were looking at the shape, size, and colours of the eggs.

On Thursday, Lauren had built a castle, with a moat of water around it, but the drawbridge had got broken.....The children were challenged to create a new bridge, using their own choice of resources, so that the King and Queen could return to the castle. The use of imagination and problem-solving skills was great to see!! We also enjoyed a day of sunshine outside on the playground, where the children have been making pies in the mud kitchen, cutting up herbs and adding spices for extra flavour.

The dragons from the nursery castle had escaped this morning, so Katrina asked for the children's help in finding them. Together they searched high and low as they walked around the school grounds, looking in bushes, behind trees and amongst the fallen leaves. I hope they managed to find them all!! Throughout the day, the children have been using the wheeled toys to practise their physical skills, working hard on their scooting and pedalling.



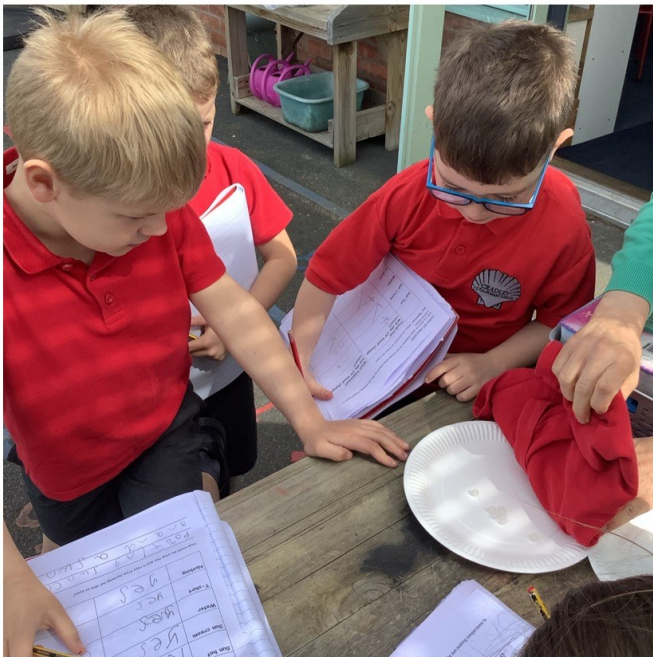
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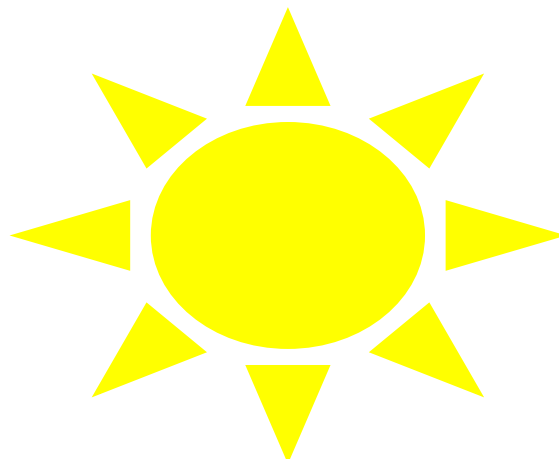


# Sycamore Class

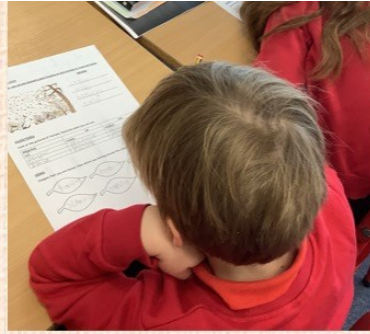


In science, Class 2 have been learning about UV rays. We explored the effects of UV rays using UV beads. We conducted an experiment to find out ways to protect us from UV rays. We covered the beads in sun cream, a sun hat, put them under water and left one without anything and then observed if the beads changed colours.

PIC•COLLAGE



# Sycamore Class



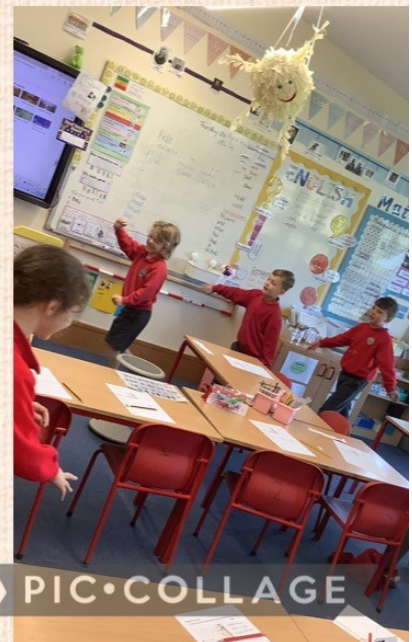
Year 2 have been writing diamanté poems. We moved around the classroom pretending to be leaves to support our learning of verbs and adverbs.

Diamanté poem

Leaves  
yellow, brown  
twirling, floating, falling,  
conkers, trees, branches, twigs,  
hovering, turning, side to side  
yellow, flat, round  
leaves



DIAMANTÉ  
POEMS



# Birch Class



Class Three (Birch Class) loved their trip to Craven Arms, asking questions at the mosque and finding out how fossils provide evidence that our continents were once one huge one, which scientists have named Pangaea.



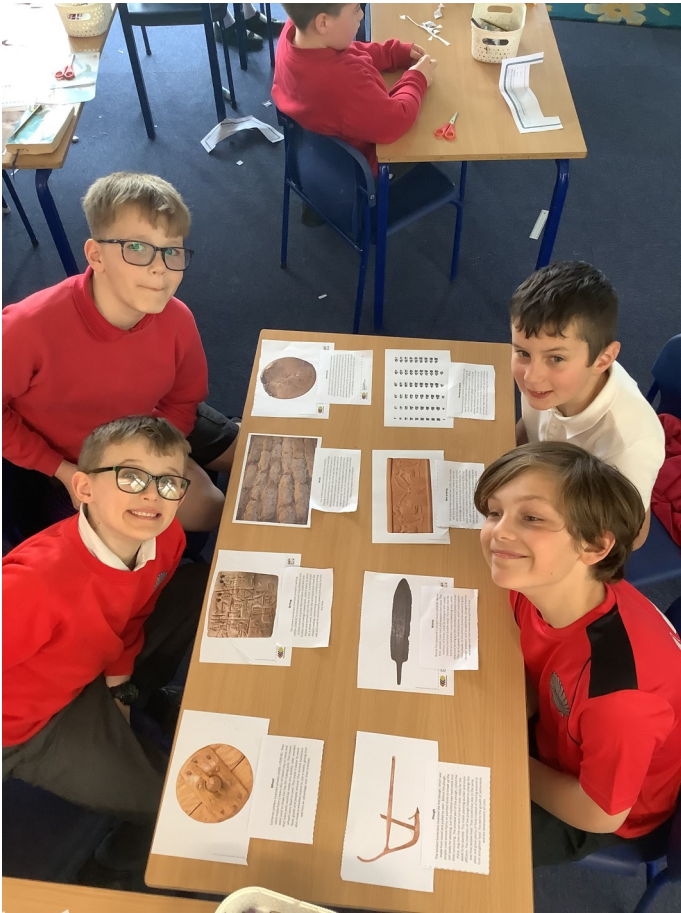
# Spruce Class

Open The Book



# Spruce Class

Studying Ancient Sumerian Inventions



# Forest School





# SCHOOL GAMES HEREFORDSHIRE

DELIVERED BY STRIDE ACTIVE

The School Games inspires young people to be physically active for life through positive experiences of daily activity and competition.

## Your School Games Organisers

Stride Active deliver the School Games in Herefordshire: School Games Organisers Kieram Hallam and Emma Gardner are responsible for delivering activities and events for young people in the county.



## What might your child be involved in?

All schools in Herefordshire are invited to be part of the School Games throughout the year. This could include competitions and activities within your child's school, competitions against other local schools, county festivals or leadership opportunities. It is free for schools to take part in the School Games.



## What we do

- Support schools so that all young people are able to be active for 60 minutes every day.
- Provide fun, enjoyable environments and opportunities for children to be active.
- Create positive experiences that support character development of young people.
- Use physical activity to support challenges children face when moving from primary to secondary school.

## What has already happened?

- 20 events
- 62 Schools
- 3244 young people

## What's coming up?

6 events including the big one: The Summer School Games!

# SCHOOL GAMES HEREFORDSHIRE

## 60 active minutes

It is recommended that children are active for an average of 1 hour per day. You can spread this throughout the day and you are looking for activities that make them breath faster and feel warmer.

This can include: active travel, play and gaming as well as sports, exercise and club activities



## School Games Mark Award Winners

Awards are given to schools for the work they do to encourage and support sport, PE and physical activity within their schools against a national benchmark. Last year, 39 schools in Herefordshire achieved the mark.



PLATINUM	GOLD	GOLD CONT.	SILVER
Cradley	Ashperton	Michaelschurch Esdley	Ashfield Park
Hampton Dene	Earl Mortimer College	Mordiford	Colwall
Kingsland	Eastnor	Orleton	Wington
Madley	Goodrich	Shobdon	Queen Elizabeth
Much Birch	Kingstone & Thruxton	St Joseph's	St James'
Riverside	Kingstone HS	St Mary's RC	St Peter's
Stoke Prior	Kington	St Paul's	Wigmore
	Leintwardine	Brookfield	
	Leominster	Walford	
	Llangrove	Weobley	
	Luston	Withington	
			<b>BRONZE</b>
			Garwey
			John Kyrie HS
			St Thomas Cantilupe

## What have young people said about the School Games?

**I am so proud of myself and our team.**

**We loved it and I scored**

**We got better and better with each activity**

**I think the event was amazing**

**When is the next one?!**

**Can it be longer next time**

**Exhausting**

If you would like to find out more about the School Games please visit [www.strideactive.org/education/school-games](http://www.strideactive.org/education/school-games), email [hello@strideactive.org](mailto:hello@strideactive.org) or find us on social media!



# Cradley Singers

This is a 'hello' from Cradley Singers to introduce ourselves to you now that we rehearse regularly in your school. We moved from Storridge Village Hall in December as we were out-growing the space but more importantly we moved because we were keen to bed ourselves into the community. So what better place to base ourselves as Cradley Singers than Cradley Primary School and we are really pleased with the move.

If you are interested in joining us do come along to see what we do. We are a choir of around 40 singers performing three main concerts each year in and around the Cradley area. Our members come from many villages and market towns in the area to meet every Wednesday between 7.30 and 9.30. The choir has a good reputation for giving concerts that are musically satisfying, varied and at the same time approachable and enjoyable for audiences. Our next concert is in The Malvern Priory on 27th April where we will be performing Durufle's Requiem and various sacred anthems then in early July (6th) we will be in The Cube, Malvern performing with Malvern Big Band for an evening of light entertainment.

Our website is [cradleysingers.org.uk](http://cradleysingers.org.uk), message through the contact page if you are interested in finding out more – we would love to see you. There is no formal audition requirement but we do ask that you are able to read music to get the best experience. Singing in a choir is great fun, the perfect antidote to a busy day!





## STORRIDGE, CRADLEY & MATHON TEENY TOTS PLAY GROUP

Join us for play, singing and nature walks  
Thursdays during term time  
Children aged 0-5 years  
10:30 am - 12:00 noon  
Only £2 per family,  
Includes a drink and a snack.

At the Scout Hut in Cradley  
The Old Rectory Rooms, Churchfields Lane, Cradley,  
Herefordshire WR13 5LL

Call Rachel with any questions 07790890183

Parents/carers are responsible for their children at all times.

### Teeny tots stay and play group are looking for a volunteer!

Would you like to volunteer in your local community?

Do you like working with young children?

We are looking for someone to help us make tea and toast during our sessions on a flexible rota system, from 10:30-12 every other Thursday, during school term time (approximately 20 sessions a year).

We are a well-established toddler group and have been running for many years. We've recently moved to the Scout Hut in the heart of Cradley.

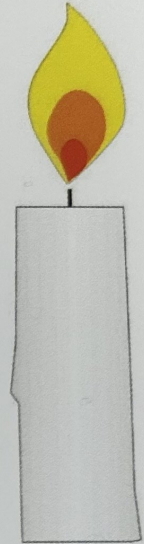
If you are free and keen to volunteer yourself, please contact Rachel on 07790890183.



## Join Jimmy's Band?



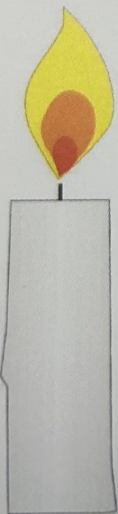
Jimmy's Band plays  
1st Sunday each month  
Cradley Church  
Practice from 9:30am  
Service from 10:45am



*Musicians of all ages and all abilities welcome  
to join our worship band.*  
[www.cradleychurch.org.uk](http://www.cradleychurch.org.uk)



## Church-4-All!



All-together worship  
1st Sunday each month  
Cradley Church  
10:45am



*With Jimmy's Band*

*activities - songs - bible stories - refreshments*  
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