



AUTUMN TERM

CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

1st December 2023

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School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DECEMBER	
Wed 6	Class 4 Welcome Wednesday
Fri 8	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 8	FoCS Pop Up Shop
Tue 12 – Wed 13	Nativity 1.30pm
Thu 14	After School Club Christmas Party
Tue 19	Christmas Lunch
Tue 19	6pm Carol Service
Wed 20	Nursery to Santa Safari
Wed 20	Whole school to Hereford Panto
Thurs 21	End of Term
JANUARY	
Tue 9	Back to School
Thu 25	Rags 2 Riches Collection
Thu 25	Young Voices for Choir

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents,

Well, here we are at the 1st of December and the beginning of Advent, the beginning of the Church year. How time moves on quickly. Advent comes from the Greek word 'coming or arrival'. We are beginning to prepare for Christmas and the glitter has arrived. I will send out a list of Christmas activities early next week so that everyone knows what is going on.

Christians prepare for Christmas during Advent by making space in their lives for Jesus. We will be encouraging children to prepare by thinking about how they use our school values to behave towards each other. We always promote care and kindness with each other and as school gets busier and children become more tired this will be a priority.

Have a lovely weekend.

God bless,

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH

PEACE

“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33

Parking

Reminder to Parents and Carers:

Please do not park in the staff car park or entrance at any time of the day. Children should not be allowed to play in the car park or walk across it—it is unsafe.

Please also do not park on pavements.

Thank you for your help in keeping your children safe.

Nativity

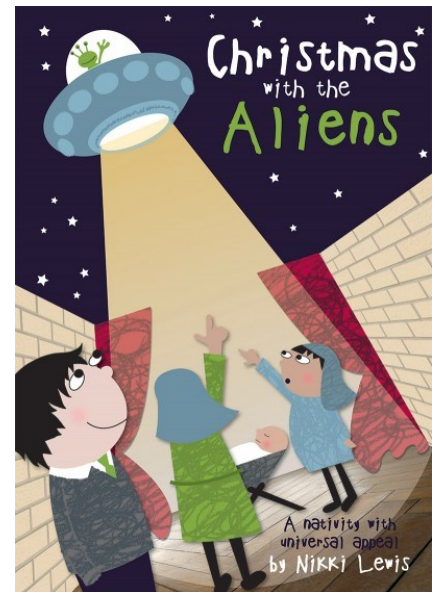
Our Nativity this year is Christmas with the Aliens.

A letter has gone to parents today with details of the performances and how to book tickets.

Monday 10th December: Dress Rehearsal, 10.00am

Tuesday 11th December: Performance, 1.30pm

Wednesday 12th December: Performance 1.30pm.



Attendance



Well done to Class 2 who have had 97.27% 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.**

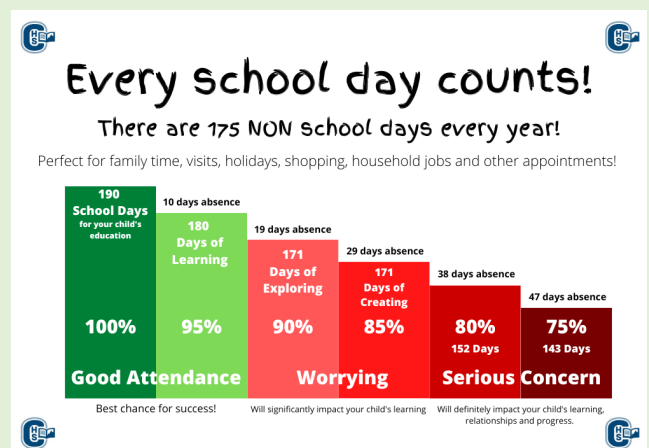
Class 1 – 81.67% Whole school – 91.68%

Class 2 – 97.27%

Class 3 – 93.18%

Class 4 – 94.29%

Class 5 – 92.86%



Well done to Frankie who won the Junior World Championship in RC racing last weekend in Derby!



Illness



It's that time of year when there are lots of bugs about. Please remember that if your child is sick or has diarrhoea, they should stay at home until 48 hours after the last episode.

Thank you

Wish List

We have set up a wish list on Amazon of items we regularly need in school and books we would love to have.

If you feel able to, we would be very grateful for any of the items, either from Amazon or other retailers.

Thank you so much for your help.

[Cradley School Wish List](#)



Christmas
2-5 January 2024

Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School
WR13 5NG

Booking is
now open!

Session Times & Costs

9am - 1pm	£16
9am - 3pm	£23
8am - 5pm	£28

Christmas

- * Bowling Trip
- * Baking Activities
- * Craft Activities
- * Movie and Popcorn Afternoon

Breakfast (8am-5pm session) and healthy snacks are provided.

Hot Lunch option is available (£2.50) or children must bring their own packed lunch.

To book, log on to School Money - <https://eduspot.co.uk>

For more information please email
admin@cradley.hereford.sch.uk
FAO Lauren

HAF bookings for FSM children open on 29 November 2023.

Booking and payment must be made in advance


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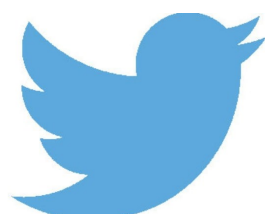
Keep in touch with us on social media!



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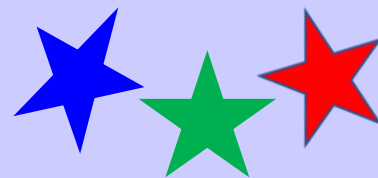


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WEEKLY AWARDS



NURSERY Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Ivy Philip for taking a risk and getting involved in adult led activities. Harrison for leading by example at circle time with his brilliant listening skills.
CLASS 1 Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Hatty Imogen for a positive attitude to learning and beginning to blend cvc words. Billy-Joe for a positive attitude to learning and growing confidence.
CLASS 2 Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Sophie Ben for representing the School on their school trip really well. Oscar for beautiful writing in English.
CLASS 3 Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Poppy Dominic for super reflective comments in RE. Arian for persistent great work this term and taking class jobs so seriously.
CLASS 4 Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Harry Lois for consistently demonstrating amazing attitude to her learning. Stan for leading Class Collective Worship by himself.
CLASS 5 Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Charlotte Ruby for working so hard both in school and at home, as well as sharing her knowledge. Naomi for always being enthusiastic and wanting to share her work.
HEAD TEACHER AWARD	Phoebe for amazing manners. Class 2 for amazing behaviour and engagement on their class trip. Friendship Award: Frankie.

Breakfast Club

Below are some dates in December which will be Christmas themed at Breakfast Club.

Monday 4th – Christmas colouring

Friday 8th – Making Christmas decorations

Monday 11th – Christmas Disco

Friday 15th – Christmas cards and bag decorating

Monday 18th – Christmas games

Thursday 21st – Decorating pancakes with icing





NURSERY NEWS



Monday is our PE day and this week the children took part in a Christmas themed cosmic yoga session. It took them on an adventure to The North Pole, where the children practiced curling, stretching, and balancing in a range of different poses, as they made their way to Santa's Workshop. Later in the day, we all sat down together and sang some familiar Christmas songs and played along with musical instruments. On Tuesday, Lauren shared the story 'Car, Car, Truck, Jeep' with the children - a rhyming book, which can be sang to the tune of 'Baa Baa Black Sheep.' All the children liked looking at the pictures of the different vehicles in the story and some were having a go at filling in the missing words when Lauren left a gap. The children also got to put their technology skills to the test and played with the Paw Patrol racetrack. Using the controllers, they raced the cars around the track and were very excitedly cheering one another along.

Katrina set up a mini maths morning on Wednesday and the children took part in activities that looked at numbers and shapes. We also talked about taller and shorter whilst using the wooden blocks to build towers.

Kelley played the 'Dotty Dinosaur' game with groups of children on Thursday. Some of the children played the colour matching version, whilst others chose to have a go at recognising and naming a small selection of shapes.

The children have finished the week in the kitchen with Katrina. They have been looking at numbers and shapes again, as they explore and weigh the ingredients used in making some tasty strawberry jam tarts.

Class 2



Class 2 had a brilliant trip to Hartlebury Castle this week. They explored the castle and took part in a Toys From the Past Workshop. They all behaved beautifully and made us proud - well done Class 2!

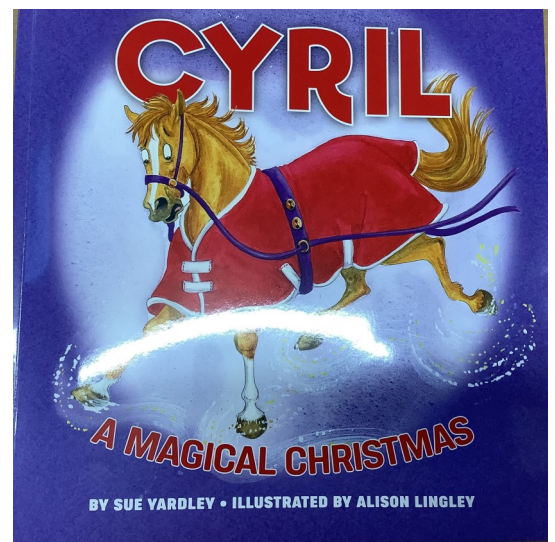


Class 3

This week Class 3 enjoyed toasting marshmallows and setting fire to their Viking longship, sending the king off to Valhalla!
For class 3, there will be no more Forest School until further notice (at least until the site has had chance to dry out a little!).



Birch Class loved having a visit from local author, Sue Yardley. She shared her latest book, Cyril - A Magical Christmas. There are a few on sale from the office at £6.99 if you're looking for a stocking filler.



Class 5

Class 5 are thoroughly enjoying their new Geography topic, Our Changing World. They drew diagrams/made annotations on how climate change is affecting countries across the world.



They have also been enjoying their Science experiment today (even in the cold!) They worked in groups, doing one of the four main exercises (aerobic, strengthening, stretching and balancing) before measuring their heart rate and finding which raised the most.



Cross Country Club

What a beautiful day for Cross Country Club on Thursday. It was a great success!



Friends of Cradley School

News

Hi All,

FoCS are super busy raising funds for the school over the coming weeks, please come and support us tomorrow at The Village Fair 10.30 to 2.30 where we'll have xmas crafts and games with some sweets and plenty of Christmas cheer!!

Next week is a big one for parents memories, next Friday (along with Christmas jumper day) we have the Pop up shop where the children get to come along and buy gifts for their friends, siblings, parents or grandparents. We've got some lovely gifts this year, they'll mainly be £1 but some of the bigger more expensive donations will be £2. This is not only my favorite event but one of the children's too. Many bring their own pocket money to spend, if they'd like to take part please ensure they have some money with them (no limit on the amount of presents they can buy this year).

I'll be putting up posters as soon as I can.

Festive cheer,

Lucy, Kirstie, Cass and the FoCS team



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.

The FOCS Christmas Raffle

Please support our school!

Draw on Thursday 21st December
@3pm on the school playground

**Tickets - £1
each**

10 tickets will be sent
home with each child
soon!

If you want more,
please ask
Rachel/Cass/school
office staff

*Please return ticket
stubs with cash or
cheques made
payable to 'Friends of
Cradley School' to the
office by **Thursday
14th December***



Donations

We are looking for donations for the prizes - a Christmas hamper for each Class, Nursery, and Staff

**Please bring donations, big or small, into school on
Friday 15th December**
in exchange for a non-uniform day

Festive donations can be....

Wine	Beer	Cider	Spirits	Non-alcoholic drinks
Crackers	Biscuits	Chocolate	Sweets	
Mince pies	Christmas puddings	Jam	Chutney	
Cheese	Cakes	Dried fruit	Nuts	
Non-edible luxury items e.g. candles				