



AUTUMN TERM

CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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3 December 2021

School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DECEMBER	
Sat 4	Cradley Xmas Fayre in Village Hall
Mon 6	Christmas Cards to be put in post box by entrance from today
Tues 7	Nativity - 2pm
Wed 8	Nativity - 2pm
Fri 10	FoCS Pop-up Shop
Mon 13	Nursery & Class 1 Trip to Safari Park
Mon 13	Classes 2 -5 Santa Dash
Tues 14	Mix-up Christmas Day - am
Tues 14	After-School Club Christmas Party
Weds 15	Christmas Dinner - book on blackpepperlunches.com
Thurs 16	Christmas Card Delivery
Thurs 16	Carol Service - 6pm
Fri 17	Christmas Movie Morning & Carols by Candlelight
Fri 17	FoCS Christmas Hamper Raffle - 3pm
Fri 17	End of Term
JANUARY	
Wed 5	Term starts
Tues 18	Swimming starts for Y3/4

Message from Mrs Jones

Dear Parents

Well the inevitable happened, despite our best efforts to remain Covid-free, our bubble popped this week! We have done so well and everyone had been so careful but I guess we had been lucky.

Mrs Shepherd who has worked at the school for 16 years has decided that she would like a change and explore new things to do. She leaves at the end of this term and we have begun the process of finding someone to replace her. If you would like to contribute to her leaving gift please drop it in an envelope to the office.

Mrs Diane Merker has joined the Governors as Clerk. We are also looking for an additional lunchtime supervisor (see advert below).

Please remain safe and cautious over the weekend.

God bless,

Mrs Jones

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We are seeking an additional Lunchtime Assistant to start as soon as possible.

This will be for 5 days a week for 1 hour and 25 minutes a day. If you are interested, please speak to the office or Mrs Jones for further information.

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 v 33

A Big Cradley Welcome to.....



Miss Hughes
Teaching Assistant
Class 1

And we have the following students with us at the moment on placement from the University of Worcester:



Miss Canvin is in Nursery and with us until Christmas.



Miss Atkinson is in Class 5 and with us until 10 December.



Miss Shepherd is in Class 5 and with us until 10 December.



Mr Lester is in Class 3 and with us until Christmas.

Photo to follow next week

Miss Tate is in Class 2 and with us until Christmas



Miss Morton has been in Class 2 this week, and will be joining us for the Spring Term.

COVID Update

We have a small number of cases in 2 year groups. These have all been contained in one class so far. Thank you so much to everyone who has been so supportive of the requests and decisions made in conjunction with Public Health England.

The rules have changed slightly and if anyone in your household tests positive you are asked to keep the whole family together to isolate.

All adults are wearing masks in school in communal areas, increased cleaning of touch points has been introduced and we have stopped whole school activities this week.

If we all work together sensibly we can do this. We aim to go ahead with the Nativity and we will put a detailed risk assessment in place. We will let you know about tickets and the risk assessment later today.

If your child is unwell please keep them at home until they have had a negative PCR result.

Please remember to inform the office of the result of any PCR tests, especially if it's positive.

Thank you for your support.

Attendance

Well done to Class 2 who have had 100% 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 – 92.74% Whole school – 93.88%

Class 2 – 100%

Class 3 – 87.03%

Class 4 – 92.31%

Class 5 – 97.32%



Christmas Card Post Box!

Christmas cards can be posted into the special post box from Monday - it will be outside in the mornings. Please do not give cards out in the playground as they will need to be quarantined before being delivered by the Year 6 post people on Thursday 16 December.



Clubs

Please note that all clubs have now finished for the term. We hope your children enjoyed them! There will be a new timetable of clubs in January.

Reporting Illness

Please ensure you either telephone the office on 01886 880315, email admin@cradley.hereford.sch.uk or pop a note on Tapestry if your child is unwell or not at school for any reason. We need to hear from you every day that they are off. Please make sure you let us know by 9.00am. Thank you.

Teeny Tots Toddler Group

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



STARS OF THE WEEK



NURSERY	Zoe for being a superstar during Nativity rehearsals. Jack for being a superstar during Nativity rehearsals.
CLASS 1	Lottie for brilliant singing and actions in the Nativity rehearsals. Zack for trying really hard with his learning and having such a positive attitude.
CLASS 2	Arian for stepping into a new role at the last minute in our Nativity play. Charlie W for stepping into a new role at the last minute in our Nativity play.
CLASS 3	Harry P for excellent home learning this week. Makeil for excellent home learning this week,
CLASS 4	Elena for fantastic travel writing in English. Isla-Mai for fantastic travel writing in English.
CLASS 5	Preston for his independent work in science. Dan for his positive attitude to learning in all subjects.
HEADTEACHER'S AWARD	All of Class 5 for amazing engagement and quality of work through home learning.





NURSERY NEWS



This week we have started to get ready for Christmas and have been very busy practising our songs for the nativity. We can't wait to share it with you.

On Monday we welcomed Beth to nursery, she is on student placement with us until the end term. She has already become popular with the nursery children.

Our PE session this week was led by Kelley and we had some parachute fun. We sang a selection of different rhymes and songs and learnt how to move the parachute in a number of different ways.

Katrina made some super sparkly snowflakes with the children on Tuesday. She saw some great cutting skills and concentration!! They also chatted about how important it was to wrap up warm when it's cold outside.

On Wednesday, the children got creative and glittery again. They made their very own Christmas stocking to take home and hang above the fireplace. We also went with Kelley and Beth on an Autumn walk and collected some colourful leaves.

Kelley was getting the children to help her decorate Christmas trees today. Each tree had its own number and the children had to put that many decorations onto the tree. Beth also made a big Christmas tree and baubles with the children in the afternoon.

Friday is cooking day and the children have made some very tasty Christmas flapjacks.



Friends of Cradley School

NEWS

CRADLEY VILLAGE CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We are getting ready for Cradley Village Christmas Fayre tomorrow and would like to thank all of our volunteers - remember to wrap up warm! Also thank you to all those who have supported us in other ways and for all the donations of shopping list items.

On our stall we have Pull Santa's Beard, Knock Santa Off the Chimney (poor Santa!), Guess the Number of Chocolates in the Jar, and Cradley School Apple Juice for sale. Do come and join us if you can.

CANCELLED EVENTS

We were sorry to have to postpone this week's Marshmallow Friday and Welcome Wednesday's cup of tea, but given the current COVID situation let's hope the new year is a better alternative for the events. Thankfully, our makers and bakers haven't got hundreds of dipped marshmallows to eat, although we do have 18 apples to take to the fayre tomorrow!!



POP-UP SHOP

Plans are in place for Secret Santa's Pop-up shop on Fri 10th December.

Please see the last page of this newsletter for more information.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

What an amazing collection of raffle prizes for our Christmas hampers, from our non-uniform day last week. Thankyou everybody for your contributions. Rachel and the team have been super busy making up the hampers, ready for us all to sell tickets to friends, family, or neighbours.

APPLE JUICE

We still have some apple juice for sale - £2.50 a bottle - please buy it from the school office.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Kitty, Emma, Annie & all the FoCS Team

Please remember to use easyfundraising when purchasing Christmas presses on line, it doesn't cost you any extra and is a simple way to raise a bit extra for school.

Please take part in **Easyfundraising** - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofcradleyschool>

And **School Lottery** <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/cradley-ce-primary-school>

Dates for your Diary

Sat 4 Dec	11am - 2.30pm - Cradley Village Christmas Fayre
Fri 10 Dec	Christmas Pop-up Shop
Thurs 16 Dec	Carol Service - Mulled drinks and mince pies
Fri 17 Dec	3pm - Christmas Raffle Draw



Breakfast and After-school Club



Did you know, we offer Breakfast Club (7.45-8.30am) and After-school Club (3-6pm) every day of the week? It runs in the school hall and is staffed by Donna and Dale. It costs just £4 per hour and you book online through School Money. (Apologies for the incorrect Breakfast Club times in last week's newsletter).

Every day there are a selection of crafts, activities and games available for the children.

ASC Christmas Party!

After-school club are holding their annual Christmas Party on Tuesday 14 December 2021.

There will be food, lots of games, and a film to finish. If you would like your child/children to join in the fun then please book the usual way on School Money. Normal charges apply (£4 per hour).

We will be asking for food contributions towards the buffet over the coming weeks.

Numbers are limited so book now to guarantee a place!

Could you foster?

Would you like to find out how you can provide a family home to children in your area? Nexus Fostering is a well-established and highly regarded fostering agency, based in Gloucester, who are urgently seeking full-time foster carers willing to foster older children and siblings. The agency is rated Ofsted 'Outstanding' in all areas and place a high premium on the quality of support and care that they provide to every one of the foster carers and, in turn, the children and young people placed with them.

To find out more about becoming a foster carer in Gloucester and surrounding areas please call 0800 389 0143 or email foster@nexusfostering.co.uk.

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in your area**



We can help you to provide a young person with a stable, secure home.

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We're Moving...



*To accommodate the growth of our service,
the food bank has decided to move premises...*

**...to a new location
from 8th December 2021**



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(NEXT TO LEDBURY TRAIN STATION)**

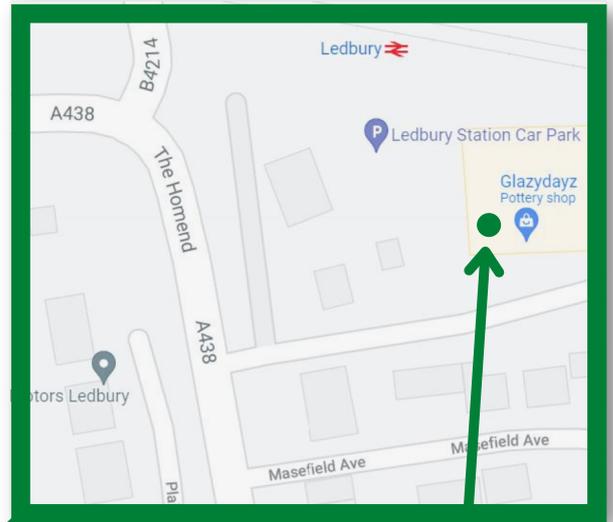
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information remain the same:*

**WEDNESDAY 10AM - MIDDAY
FRIDAY 10AM - MIDDAY**

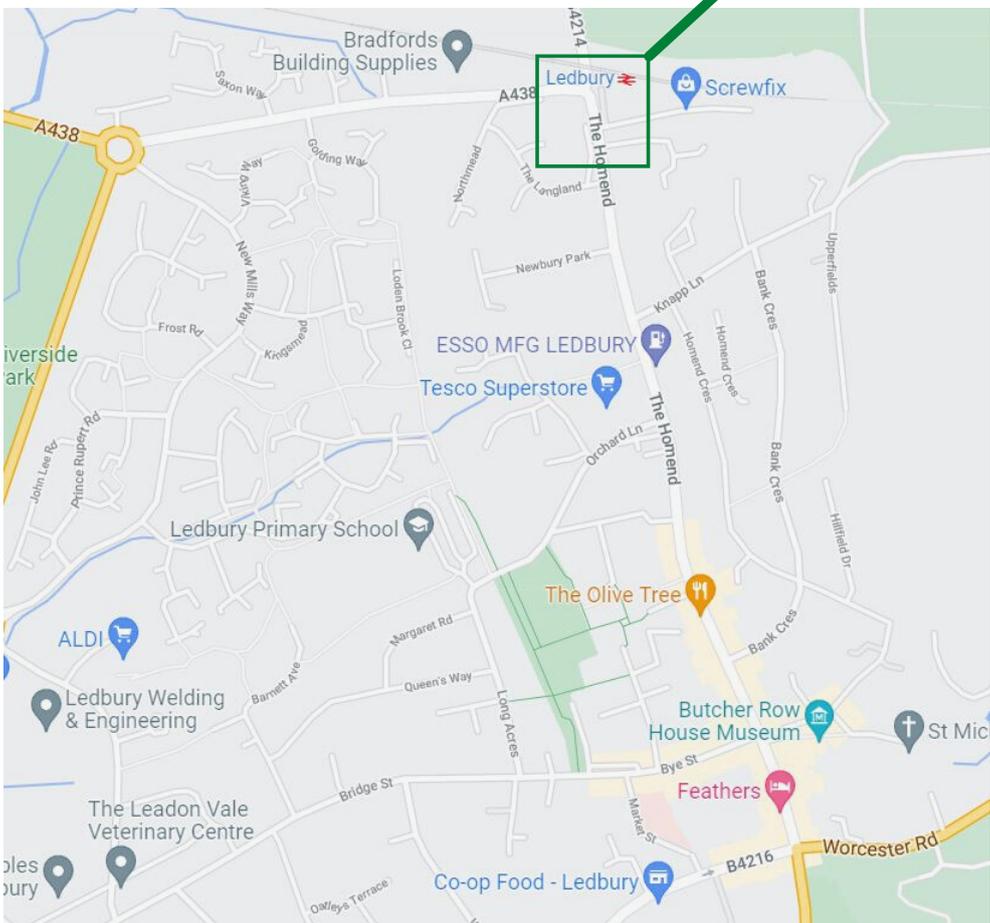
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How to find our new location



**Ledbury Food Bank
(next to the train station)**



Parking

The food bank will have several free car parking spaces directly outside the premises.

Bus Routes

Buses 476 (regular service at least every hour from the centre of the town) and 417, 455, 458, 600, 672, 674, 675 stop on The Homend Road near the Homend Trading Estate.

Santa's Pop Up Shop

DEC 10th at Cradley School



Friends of Cradley School

Our children will be visiting an enchanted Christmas POP UP shop during school time on Friday 10th, where they can buy lovely gifts for family and friends.

**Each present costs £2
(PLEASE send change in a sealed envelope with your child. Class teacher will collect the money, first thing in the morning).**