



**5th February
2021**

CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

FEBRUARY	
W/C Monday 8th	Walk around the world challenge begins
Friday 12th	Half term
W/C Monday 22nd	Back to school Multi-cultural week Parent consultations Walk around the world challenge ends
Wednesday 24th	Results for walk to be submitted

VALUE OF THE MONTH



Ephesians 4:2

‘Be completely
humble and gentle;
be patient, bearing
with one another in
love’

Message from Mrs Jones

Dear Parents,

I don't know about you but the novelty is beginning to wear off. It's a bit like Ground Hog day. Everyone in school is getting tired and the enthusiasm for home learning is beginning to waiver.

It is becoming harder to keep motivated and to look after our own well-being. Remember you are doing an amazing job. Some of you have sent us messages to let us know how things are going and we have included some below. If you want to give your children a shout out, send a message on Tapestry and we will try to share them in our newsletter over the next few weeks.

Thank you to children, staff and parents who took part in the Mental Health week activities. Remember this is important every week, not just in Mental Health week. The PE challenge is going well so keep sharing your photos.

We have been asked to take part in a Cluster Schools Challenge to 'walk around the world' over the next couple of weeks. It is 24,901 miles around the circumference of the earth. There are 8 schools taking part and we want to collectively see if we can do it. Further information will follow shortly.

Have a good week
Stay safe and God bless,
Mrs Jones



Well-being Garden

We have used some of our PE funding to create a well-being quiet garden on the playground. It is made using natural materials and includes a wigwam den space, a bench with storage space and is fenced for definition. We are hoping that some children will be able to look after this area. We will also be adding some plants to it later in the year. Thank you to Neil Taylor for his hard work in building this for us.

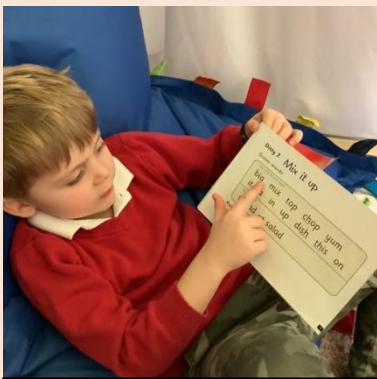
Learning at School



Starting the morning with Joe Wicks



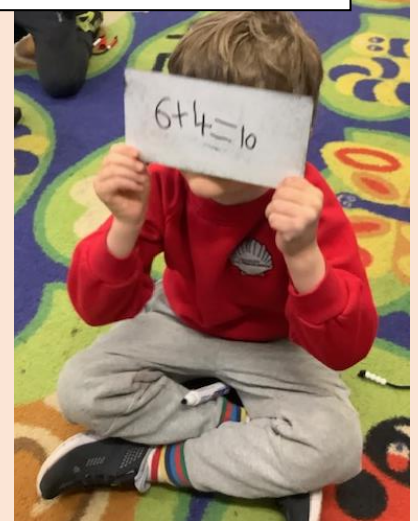
An introduction to number bonds in Maths



Fantastic reading in Class 1



Playing Top Trumps with friends



Having fun at Forest School!



Year 3 English



Learning about magnets in KS2 Science

Remote Learning



LOCKDOWN LIFE

Here are some lovely messages about our wonderful children.....

Hello everyone at school and at home :)

Thank you for all your kind words of love and support, sometimes we don't know what we need to hear until the tears run down our face and we begin to feel better and we move on.

L has found many ways to cope with the uncertainty and change, she has scheduled times for herself, more often than not starting at 5.45am doing things that inspires her, keeps active, paints and creates, all before logging in for a long day in virtual school. Which is working really well and has introduced regular new phrases in the house like "be zoom ready" (work surfaces are clear and you are at least top half dressed).

We are extremely proud of our young lady and want to give her a big shout out for being just so wonderful!



D has completed another week of the PE challenge. Despite some distractions, he is throwing himself into all of the PE challenges and we are very proud of him.

The girls and I finished our 50 miles for Maggie's centres today, the girls did over 20 with me each and I'm so proud of them. Considering they've homeschooled/schooled and the weather/dark it's a miracle! They've run, scooted, cycled, hopped and skipped. They even got a little medal for their efforts - hurrah!

R has completed her third week of the PE challenge and is still absolutely loving it! She is making sure that she has her 60 minutes exercise each day by walking the dogs, riding her pony, jumping on the trampoline and doing lots of 'Jump Start Jonny'. Thanks for making lockdown fun!



Just to say a huge thank you to everyone. I have two happy boys who are really embracing home learning with lots of interesting things set to do - they're keen to complete their work and doing it to a good standard - the progress they have made since the end of the summer lockdown is clear to see and they have obviously been well prepared for another lockdown by school! He's accessing everything really well and is independent and mature in the way he is tackling everything. Thank you so much!



Thank you ever so much for delivering E's certificate and prize, she was thrilled! We've enjoyed several games of 'Boom' ping-pong. The funny challenge was great too, providing much needed laughter and E found it hilarious!



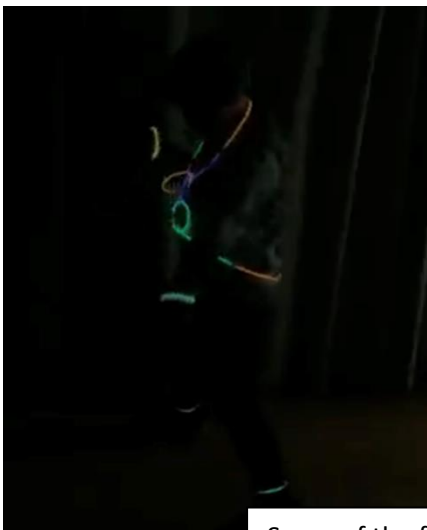
Children's Mental Health Week



What a fun week we have had expressing ourselves! We have learned about the different ways we can express our emotions and opinions. We have also had a webinar which some parents attended about supporting and developing resilience in children. We had a great uptake in our Dance Competition and have submitted our entries. A particularly big thanks goes to the staff who took part in our silly challenges and encouraged us to have a giggle in these strange times. I hope some of you were about to "win it in a minute!".



We had great fun doing the 'Minute to win it' challenge!



Some of the fantastic dance video entries!



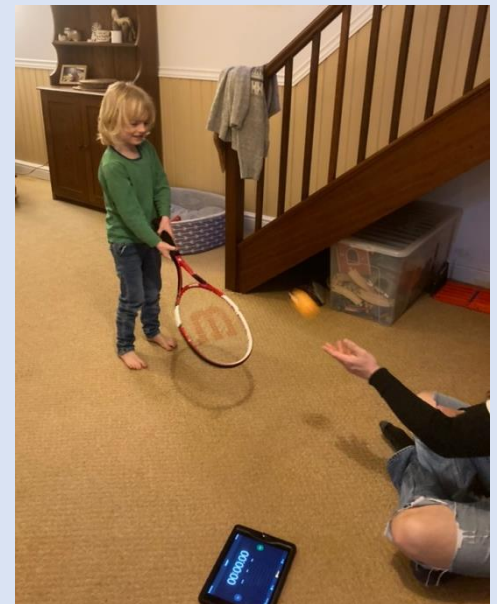
Deep breathing exercises for mindfulness

PE Challenge

This week Miss Guy has been delivering some prizes to the children who managed 2 weeks of challenges without a break. There are also participation prizes making their way out to children. It has been a little quieter this week so do keep up the hard work and stay active!



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
100 5 mins 3 dances Ruby has done 7 dances today!	53	100	53	100	53	100
See how many Back jumps you can do in 1 row - Bronze: 10 jumps Silver: 20 jumps Gold: 30 jumps Remember to keep practising to improve!	See if you can kick or throw a ball into a target (perhaps a cardboard box) - Bronze: 5m Silver: 10m Gold: 20m	Click Here and complete at least 3 of the dances - Can you do one more this week?	Do some Gym: 5 mins Complete at least 3 of the dances - Can you do one more this week?	Go on a walk through nature and see how much wildlife you can spot. Keep a tally.	See how many jumps you can hit a ball from - Bronze: 10 jumps Silver: 20 jumps Gold: 30 jumps	Try to beat your score from yesterday
Complete the toilet roll challenge. Remember to keep practising	Click Here and complete at least 3 of the dances - you may want a break in	Try and do some push ups: Bronze: 10 Silver: 20	Go on a walk and find the tallest tree you can... if it's safe you	See if you can create your own Gym sequence - you might like to look back at	Teach the people at home your sequence and see who	





NURSERY NEWS



This week in Nursery we have been super busy having lots of fun! We started off our week on Monday with P.E where we joined in with Joe Wicks to get us all warmed up. We then decided to turn Nursery into a giant trampoline area and filled the room with P.E mats so we could jump around on them and dance to our favourite music together. Nursery have also taken part in their first Spanish lesson this week with Mrs Symonds where we all enjoyed learning a new language and joining in with other children from Class 1, it was super fun. We have enjoyed playing in play dough this week and have enjoyed making our own pancakes for friends. Wednesday was a little different for us as we had the fire service pay us a visit, all of the children in Nursery behaved beautifully under the circumstances and acted very responsibly walking onto the field where we waited for the fire service to make sure it was all safe for us to go back inside to play. On our way back into Nursery, the fire crew kindly stopped to talk to us all and let us look at the fire engine. We finished off our busy week with cooking on Friday where we all enjoyed making starfish scones!



STARS OF THE WEEK



NURSERY	Billy Joe for his excellent start at Cradley Nursery Emily for being a kind friend to everyone Joshua for taking a risk in P.E
RECEPTION	Joel for showing perseverance every single day
YEAR 1	Evie for persistent hard work in all subjects
YEAR 2	Jake for stretching himself in English
YEAR 3	Toby for always persevering and trying his best
YEAR 4	Jay for always trying his hardest
YEAR 5	Daisy for going the extra mile in her home learning
YEAR 6	Bryn for gaining in confidence with his Maths and for his perseverance and really positive attitude
SPORTS	Nelson and Leila for taking part in family football before school and adventurous walks



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