

SPRING TERM
20 March 2026



CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all enjoying the recent spell of sunny weather—it has certainly lifted everyone's spirits in school and brought a wonderful energy to the week.

It has been especially lovely to welcome so many of you into school recently, particularly those who visited Oak Class. The children were incredibly proud to share their work, and it was a joy to see their enthusiasm and confidence as they talked about their learning. Thank you for taking the time to come in and support these special moments.

We have also been embracing the fun of Comic Relief, with plenty of laughter. From cheerful jokes to big smiles, it has been a fantastic way to come together while supporting a great cause. The children have truly enjoyed spreading happiness—and a few giggles along the way!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and the sunshine lasts a little longer.

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH **HUMILITY**

'Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.'

Ephesians 4:2



School Calendar



March

- 20 - FoCS Easter Bingo
- 23 - Maple Class Easter Craft Morning, 9.00am-9.45am
- 23 - Y5/6 Football Tournament at Wyese
- 26 - Easter Service at the Church, 9.00am
- 27 - Marshmallow Friday
- 27 - End of Term
- 30 March - 2 April - Holiday Club

April

- 7-10 - Holiday Club
- 14 - Summer Term Starts
- 15-17 - Y5/6 Conwy Residential
- 29-1 May - Y3/4 JCA Condover Hall Residential

Music Lessons At Cradley

**PIANO, CLARINET,
SAXOPHONE AND
SINGING LESSONS**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT**

elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com



Guitar & Ukelele Lessons
with Tom Doherty
tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk

Mrs Bennett now also teaches flute.

Piano, clarinet, flute, saxophone and
singing - Wednesday

Guitar and ukelele - Monday and
Tuesday

Attendance



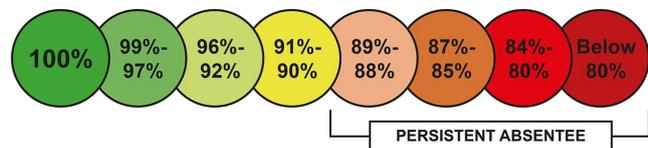
Well done to Birch Class who have had an amazing 100% attendance this week! Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.50am are counted as late and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class 91.54%
Sycamore Class 93.53%
Birch Class 100%
Oak Class 99.48%

Whole school 96.14%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which **CIRCLE** are you in?



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.

Easter 2026

30th March—2nd April

7th—10th April

Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School

WR13 5NG

**Booking is
now open!**

Session Times

9am - 1pm

9am - 3pm

8am - 5pm

1pm - 3pm

Activities

- Enrichment activities including Tennis and Tae Kwon Do
- Visits from Reptomania and The Mountain Girl
- Weekly Forest School sessions

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

Hot Lunch option is available when booking or children must bring their own packed lunch.

**For more information please email
ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk**

Booking and payment must be made in advance using this link: <https://eequ.org/book/cradley-holiday-club-with-cradley->


CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Easter Holiday Club

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 30th March—2nd April | Connexus Sports | Forest School | Great Malvern School of Tae Kwon Do | Inflatable Day | Holiday Club Closed |
| 7th—10th April | Holiday Club Closed | Forest School | Reptomania | The Mountain Girl | Connexus Sports |

All activities are weather dependent and subject to change.


CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Friends of Cradley School

Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

News

Hello everyone,

Easter Colouring Competition.

You should all now have your Easter Colouring Competition template. Suggested donation of £2 per entry, simply send in your donation with your completed design. There will an Easter prize awarded for the most egg-cellent design. Get colouring and join the fun! Get your designs in by the morning of **Monday 23rd March**

Guess the Name of the Easter Bunny

Our little lovelies in Nursery can also take part in our “Guess the Name of the Easter Bunny” competition. Suggested donation of £1 per guess. Just let Nursery know your guess.

Marshmallow Friday is 27th March

 **!! Check out our calendar of upcoming events below !!**

Join our [Friends of Cradley Church of England Primary School \(FoCS\)](#) Facebook page.



Support the school whilst you online shop



Thinking of booking your summer holiday – TUI are donating 2.5% 

Easy Fundraising is one of the simplest ways to support Friends of Cradley School and it doesn't cost you a single penny.

Hundreds of high-street brands donate every time you shop online.

-  Sign up via Easy Fundraising App – your chosen cause is Friends of Cradley School
-  Shop as usual
-  FoCS receives a donation

 Or Sign up here:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=47592&invite=s84dvt&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_campaign=web-referral

 **Top tip:** Enable the donation reminder on your phone or device so you never miss a contribution.

Join the FoCS Family!

We're always excited to welcome new faces!

If you fancy joining our friendly, fun-loving crew, just chat to:

Cass, Charlotte or Verity ...or pop by reception anytime.

No experience needed — just enthusiasm and a smile!

 **Have a Fabulous Weekend!**

Cass, Charlotte & Verity

Friends of Cradley School (FOCS)



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Spring/Summer events



Disco!

Friday 6th February

6pm-8pm

£4 per child. Please bring change. Tuck shop, glow stall, quiet room, hot dogs and a bar (for the grown-ups!)



Marshmallow Fridays

Friday 13th February and Friday 27th March @ 3:15pm in the Playground.

Hot chocolate and sweet treats for sale; **please bring change.** More dates will follow in the Summer term.



HAPPY EASTER

Whole school Easter colouring competition & name the bunny competition for nursery

£2 per entry - all entries in by Friday 20th March



Family Bingo Night

Friday 20th March, doors open 6pm and eyes down at 6:30pm

More details to follow from the School Office. FOCS will be selling refreshments.

Non-uniform Day Friday 13th March in exchange for a raffle prize for the Bingo evening

Sponsored Run Saturday 9th May

We are so excited for this! Sponsored family fun run. More details to follow but please save the date!



Sports Day

Tuesday 19th May

FOCS will be selling refreshments throughout the event.

Cradley Village Fayre Saturday 27th June

FOCS will have a stall. Please come along and support this brilliant village event. Look out for details advertised locally.

School Summer Fayre From 3:15pm on Friday 10th July

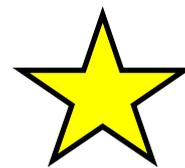
Lots of stalls, refreshments and of course the inflatables!

Whole School Tea Towel design Look out in the Summer Term for details of how to order your keepsake and raise funds for FOCS.





WEEKLY AWARDS



HAZEL CLASS

Friendship Award

Eloise

Stars of the Week

Arianwen for being a superstar during her first session in nursery.

Wren for being a superstar during her first session in nursery.

MAPLE CLASS

Friendship Award

Molly

Star of the Week

Evie for super independent writing after phonics.

SYCAMORE CLASS

Friendship Award

Benjamin

Star of the Week

Phoebe for being a wonderful and valued member of Sycamore Class.

BIRCH CLASS

Friendship Award

Isaac

Stars of the Week

Sophie for consistently showing our school values in everything she does.

Stan for always showing such kindness and care towards others.

OAK CLASS

Friendship Award

James

Stars of the Week

Poppy for some fantastic writing.

Bethy for writing an incredible poem.

HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Daisy and Freddie for showing resilience and being kind and caring.

Billy for showing perseverance.

Head Teacher's Award



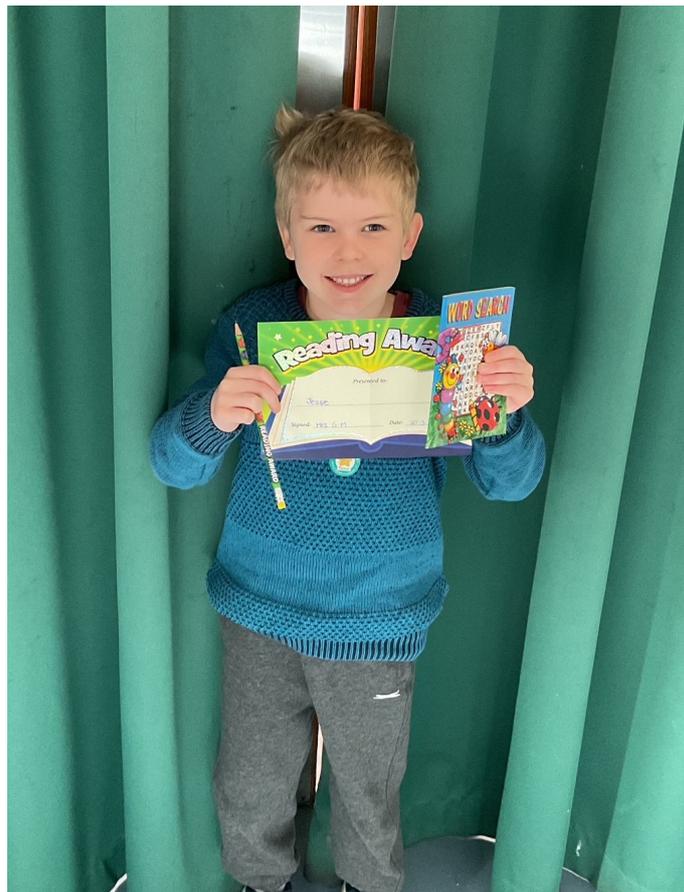
Stars of the Week



Friendship Award



Reader of the Week





Nursery News



What a lovely week we have had - the sun has been shining and it looks like Spring has finally arrived.

As part of our Growing and Measuring topic, the children have been busy outside, filling up pots and planting sunflower seeds whilst talking about what their seed will need to grow tall. Our little plant detectives went on a walk around the school grounds, using magnifying glasses to look closely at plants and flowers that are growing around us, whilst learning new words to talk about flower parts and names.

Our art and craft activities have been based around flowers where the children have been using a wide variety of resources to colour and create their own garden collages and pictures.

Sycamore Class

We were happy to see the sunshine this week. It has been so wonderful to get to use our outdoor area in Class 2 ☀️



Sycamore Class



Class 2 went on a walk around our local area this week to spot human features in Geography.



Birch Class

Birch class have been busy this week creating their own repeated pattern in the style of the designer William Morris.



Herefordshire Libraries

Herefordshire Young Historian Award 2026

My Family History – Discover your past and tell your story

Every family has a story, and this is your chance to discover and share yours. Where do they come from? What was life like when they were younger, and are there any traditions or special memories your family has?

You might find out about:

- Where your family originally comes from
- Interesting stories from parents, grandparents, or relatives
- Family traditions, celebrations, or favourite activities
- Important moments in your family's past

You can present your family history in a creative way. For example, you might write a short story, make a poster, draw a family tree, or include photos and drawings. Your entry must fit an A4 sheet

Open to 9 - 11 year olds

Hand your entry in to any Herefordshire Library or enter at herefordshire.gov.uk/libraries by Friday 8th May for a chance to win

herefordshirehistory.org.uk

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Malvern Hills

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Nearly New
SALE

£2 cash entry
on the door!
No need to
book ahead

OUR POP UP SHOP IS BACK!

Children's
toys, books
clothes and more!



Saturday 28th March 2026

1:30pm - 3pm (1:15pm for NCT members)

The Dome, Malvern St James School,

Imperial Road, WR14 3AW

(What3words: ///dance.carbon.cling)



Seller registration now open:
Limited Spaces



EASTER HOLIDAY INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Get **50% OFF** your
booking — only **£15.75**
total for 4 lessons!

Limited spots – don't miss out!

Call us on **01432 842075**, or pop in to
your local pool to secure your child's place.

*Terms & conditions apply.
Offer ends 22nd March 2026.



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