



CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 6th December 2019



Christmas at Cradley

9th December

The Christmas post box will be in the school entrance. All children post cards to friends in the box and they are delivered on the last day of term.

Dress rehearsal is at 10am for the Nativity (If you have toddlers / babies please bring them to this performance).

10th and 11th December

Nativity at 1.30pm. Have you got your tickets? Please speak to the school office if not.

13th December

Christmas dress up day - children can wear Christmas jumpers/ t-shirts/ hats/ tinsel.

FOCS Christmas Fair 3-5pm. ASC will still run. Please send them with a little pocket money as Donna and Dale will take them round the fair.

17th December

ASC Christmas Party from 3-6pm, with lots of fun festive games, music and a party bag to take home! Please book on School Money as normal, places are limited so please book early. Please see Donna & Dale to let them know what food you will be bringing for the buffet so we have a nice varied selection, thank you.

18th December

Christmas Lunch, please book via Black Pepper as normal.

19th December

Carols for Community - Children entertain invited guests at school.

6pm Carol Service at Cradley Church. All children are involved.

20th December

Last day of term - Animal Lady in the morning and carols by candlelight in the afternoon (school children only). If you have any questions please just ask.

Family Service

Twenty two children took part in the Family Service at Cradley Church last week. They all had a role to play reading, lighting candles, forming a tableau and ringing bells during the music. We were very proud of all of them and the members of the church congregation were delighted to have us.



ZooLab visit

We had a fun morning on Monday - we had a visit from ZooLab! Reception were joined by 4 children from nursery and as you can see from the photos, we had close up encounters with some amazing animals. We learned Which country each animal came from and had the opportunity to stroke or hold some but the tarantula was just to look at!



Class 4 trip

On Tuesday, Class 4 went on a Victorian trip to the Judge's Lodgings in Presteigne. We began by learning lots of stories about how Victorians celebrated Christmas and how they decorated their houses. We then learned about the different toys that rich and poor children would play with, we created a Victorian decoration and we played Victorian post-dinner games.



Class 5 Open the book

Year 6 had fun telling the story of Joseph being reunited with his brothers on Thursday in our Open the Book assembly.



FOCS News

- There is still plenty of Apple Juice left, please come to reception if you would like to purchase any more bottles - please remember to return your used bottles to be recycled.
- Come and join us at the Cradley Village Christmas Fair and Market tomorrow, Saturday 7th December. FOCS will have a stall next to the cubs. Thank you to all the volunteers for kindly sparing your time on a Saturday.
- We look forward to a fun evening at the Christmas Wreath Making workshop tonight, thank you to those who have signed up.
- The FOCS Christmas Fair takes place on Friday 13th December from 3-5pm. Please come along and help support this great festive event. Raffle tickets have been sent home, please help support FOCS by selling these to family and friends.

We are asking for donations of good quality, clean unwanted toys, games, puzzles, teddies etc for

the Bric a Brac stall, please leave any donations in the foyer.

We are also asking for any donations of unwanted/unused gifts which can be sold at the Gift Shop at the Christmas Fair. These will then be gift wrapped and sold to give as presents for loved ones at Christmas. Please leave any donations in the foyer.

Nursery

Christmas has arrived in Nursery and this week we have all thoroughly enjoyed getting into the Christmas spirit. Our story of the week this week has been 'Stick Man' which we have all enjoyed listening to at circle times this week and bringing the story to life during our role play. On Monday Lauren helped us to make our own Christmas trees, using card to cut out our own tree shape we then used lots of coloured pom poms to decorate our trees. On Tuesday we've made Christmas tree decorations with Carol, using powder paint we've turned pine cones green and covered them in glitter to hang on our trees at home. Wednesday was our P.E session and in the hall we all took part in a giant snow ball game, it was very exciting. Nursery has been full of Christmas fun this week, with decorating Nursery's tree, Nativity practise and lots of fun games. On Thursday Katrina helped us to make our own reindeer faces, using brown playdough, twigs and a red nose! All of the children got to take home their very own Rudolph's. We have finished off our fun festive week with cooking with Lauren on Friday where we made Santa Cakes.

Teeny Tots

We are a friendly local toddler group that meets in Storridge Village Hall and occasionally at Cradley Nursery. 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, game, songs, snacks and drinks. Please come and join us!

Value of the Month - THANKFULNESS

1 Thessalonians 5:18

"In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Chosen by Gary, our maintenance man.

Attendance

Well done to Class 2 who've had 97.22% attendance since last week. They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear all next week. Please can we remind parents that late arrivals after the registers close at 8.55am count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.

Class 1 - 97.07%

Class 2 - 97.22%

Class 3 - 97.14%

Class 4 - 96.51%

Class 5 - 96.8%

Whole School - 97.04%

Head Teacher Award

Ben Griffiths and Lexi Edwards for always being reliable and trustworthy

Stars of the week

Nursery

James Mowbray for his growing confidence in Nursery
Ben Shortland for being supportive and kind to friends

Reception

Nicholas Hurley for being positive
Poppy Weston for her independence

Year 1

Harry Mifflin for his co-operation in Maths when working in groups

Becky Dunnett for carefully checking and improving her writing

Year 2

TJ Malloy for taking pride in his work with 2D shapes
Naomi Griffiths for taking pride in her descriptive sentences in English

Year 3

Mia Mabey for her positive attitude and determination in Maths

Isla-Mai Robertson for working so hard at her spellings

Year 4

Molly-Mae Gibbons for always being kind and supportive of others

Lucas Rankin for being persistent with his writing in English

Year 5

Jacob Robertson for giving good ideas and being positive on the class trip

Barney Dunnett for having a positive attitude to all school life

Year 6

Eve Vipond for preparing our reflection this morning and for being reflective

Mali Robb for showing her commitment to learning by always making an extra effort to catch up with work missed for music lessons

Dates for the Future

DECEMBER

Value of the Month - Thankfulness

Friday 6th

FOCS Christmas Wreath Making workshop 7.30pm

Tuesday 10th

Nativity 1.30pm

Wednesday 11th

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Friday 13th

FOCS Christmas Fair 3pm

Monday 16th

ASC Film night - 'The Grinch'

Tuesday 17th

Whole school Winter walk.

ASC Party

Wednesday 18th

Christmas lunch

Thursday 19th

Carol Service, 6pm in Church

Friday 20th

Last day of term

JANUARY

Value of the Month - Endurance

Monday 6th

INSET Day

Tuesday 7th

Term starts