



**SPRING TERM**  
**8 March 2024**

**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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# School Newsletter

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

<b>MARCH</b>	
Mon 11	KS1 Football Club Match
Thu 14	Cradley Bake Off
Fri 15	Comic Relief - Crazy Hair Day in exchange for donations for the food bank
Fri 15	School Disco
Thurs 21	Easter Service at Church
Fri 22	End of Term
Mon 25 - 28	Holiday Club
<b>APRIL</b>	
Tue 2- 5	Holiday Club
Tue 9	Term Starts
Wed 17	KS2 Mosque Visit
Wed 24 - Fri 26	Y4 Ironbridge Residential
Wed 24	Class 2 Collective Worship

## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a child, growing up, my favourite author was Roald Dahl. I loved the crazy adventures I had and the colourful characters I found inside the books. I also remember queuing up for hours at the Shire Hall in Hereford to meet him and get him to sign my copy of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I love today how his books have spanned the generations and they are now firm favourites with my grandchildren. Children today have so many diverse authors to choose from and so many different ways to enjoy books and stories but the most special way of all, I believe, is being tucked up in bed and enjoying precious time and a bed time story. If you do nothing else for your child I urge you to read to and with your children. Encourage them to read widely and talk to them about the books they read. Reading gives children so many adventures and fills them with knowledge. If you or anyone you know has an hour a week to spare we would love some reading volunteers in school, so that we can give even more children the opportunity to read with an adult. Please get in touch for more information. Jim Rohn said, "Reading is essential for those who seek to rise above the ordinary". We strive for all our children to rise above ordinary and be amazing!

Have a great weekend.

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**



# Housepoint Tracker

Masefield - 1836

Elgar - 1690

Shaw - 1660

# Attendance



Well done to Class 3 who have had 98.89% 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 – 94.62%

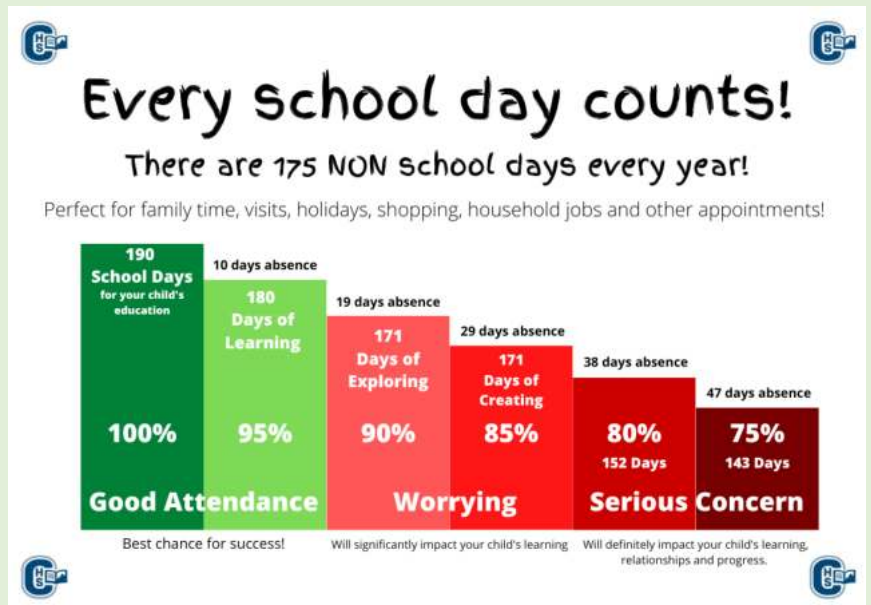
Whole school – 95.64%

Class 2 – 97.27%

Class 3 – 98.89%

Class 4 – 93.97%

Class 5 – 97.69%



## Keep in touch with us on social media!



**Cradley CE Primary School**



**Cradley\_ce\_primary**

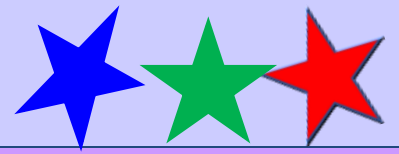


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# WEEKLY AWARDS



<b>NURSERY</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Innis
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Harrison for being a kind friend and sharing his own toys with his friends in nursery.  Peggy for making friendships with older children during World Book Day activities.
<b>CLASS 1</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Phoebe
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Ruby for showing a positive attitude towards her learning.  Mia for producing some fantastic independent writing.
<b>CLASS 2</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Lottie
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Bella for her positive attitude coming into school.  Sophie for trying her hardest with her spellings.
<b>CLASS 3</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Bentley
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Artem for fantastic effort and progress in writing.  Poppy for asking amazing questions in English.
<b>CLASS 4</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Frankie
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Neve for working hard and catching up on her learning.  Zach for working hard on his time management.
<b>CLASS 5</b>	
<b>Friendship Award</b>	Keerah
<b>Stars of the Week</b>	Skyla for outstanding enthusiasm for long division.  Ollie E for persevering with written methods in long division.
<b>HEAD TEACHER AWARD</b>	Jesse for showing amazing courage and resilience.  Robbie for getting really involved in the mix up afternoon.



# NURSERY NEWS



This week in nursery our story of the week has been 'The Hungry Caterpillar' and the children have been enjoying lots of different activities based around this. On Monday, Kelley led a PE session that was based on moving like a caterpillar/butterfly. The children were curling, stretching, wriggling, and rolling, acting out different parts of the story. Then back in nursery, the children worked on exercising their fingers. Using tweezers, they had to pick up the Pom-poms and place them into the holes on the numicon pieces.

Katrina was looking at the different things that the caterpillar ate, with the children on Tuesday. They were counting out how many pieces of fruit they needed to post through the caterpillar's mouth, depending on which day of the week it was. On Wednesday, Kelley talked to the children about butterflies and looked closely at the colours and patterns on their wings. Each of the children then had a go at painting a butterfly, using their own choice of colours, creating individual patterns. In the afternoon, we had a lovely time spent with the school children. We took part in literacy based activities, such as drawing pictures, making wooden spoon characters and icing cakes.

Thursday was World Book Day and it was lovely to see so many of the children dressing up as characters from some of their favourite stories. We celebrated the day by talking about our favourite stories, looking at books in small groups and using our imaginations to make up stories and play scenarios, with our friends. We even had a special story-time, complete with a biscuit treat and a drink. The children have been busy icing biscuits this morning with Katrina. Using small spoons, they have been independently icing their biscuits then using sprinkles and hundreds and thousands to decorate them - more opportunities to get those finger muscles working!! The children have all been very excited this morning as they look forward to sharing a Mother's Day afternoon tea, with Mummies and Nannies. A chance to share some singing, dancing.....and more cake!!

# Class 2

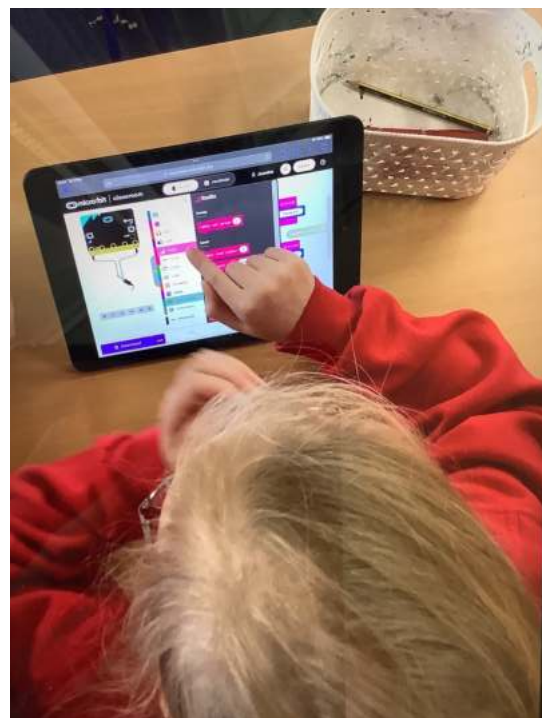
Year 2 are currently reading the book Major Glad , Major Dizzy which is about toys that have been put under the floorboards. The children were using their senses to think about how the toys might feel being under the floorboards. To help with our senses account the children acted out the story and we used the tables to imagine what it was like to be under the floorboards.



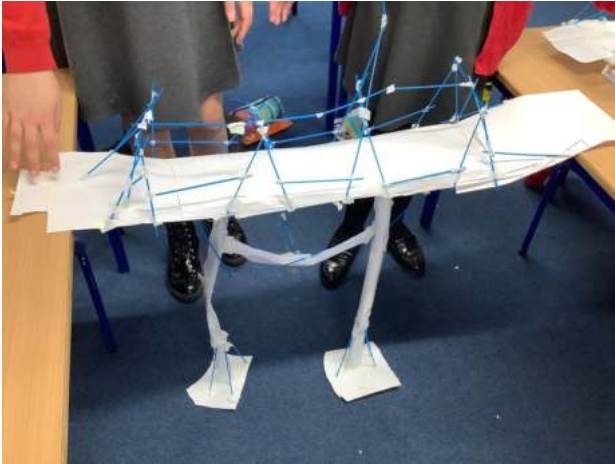
# Class 4



Class 4 were very lucky to have Chris and Stuart visit this week, who showed the children how to debug, code and program micro bits!



## Class 5



Class 5 enjoyed making their bridge prototype after careful planning and designing: they used features of both truss and beam.



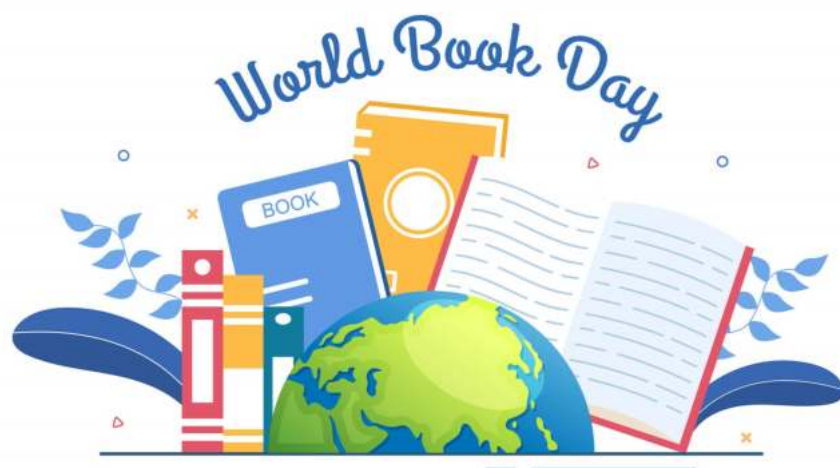


# Class 5

Oak Class's Welcome Wednesday was a success! It's so lovely to look back at the children's achievements and see how far they have come.



# World Book Day



# Mix up afternoon!



# Moving Targets Dance Festival



## Cradley Church

Just a reminder that we have a fun Mothering Sunday service in Cradley this Sunday. It would be great if you could bring your children to join us to do the activities and some readings that I have prepared.

Fun for all.

Eryl Copp





# Church-4-All!

## Mothers' UNION

### Cradley Church

### Mothering Sunday service

### 10th March

Take time out to come to give thanks for our mothers and the contribution that mothers make to enrich all our lives. Come for tea/coffee/squash after the service!

On **Sunday 10th March** at 10:45am.



**Everybody is  
welcome!**

Cradley Church  
Rectory Lane  
Cradley  
WR13 5LH

[www.cradleychurch.org.uk](http://www.cradleychurch.org.uk)



*With Jimmy's Band*

*Save the Date!*

*FOCS Disco*

*Friday 15th March*

*6pm*

# CRADLEY BAKE OFF

GOOD  
LUCK

BRING  
MONEY  
FOR BAKE  
SALE AT  
THE END  
OF THE DAY  
TO RAISE  
MONEY  
FOR COMIC  
RELIEF

ONLY

CUPCAKES

AND BISCUITS



BRING YOUR  
MASTER PIECES  
ON THURSDAY  
THE 14 TH OF  
MARCH

THE THEME IS:  
MAKE THE  
JUDGES LAUGH



Good Morning Friends

Good Morning Friends



Easter

25 - 28 March 2024

2 - 5 April 2024

# Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School  
WR13 5NG

Booking is  
now open!

## Session Times & Costs

9am - 1pm £17

9am - 3pm £25

8am - 5pm £30

## Easter

- Forest School
- Dance in Motion sessions
- Easter egg hunt
- Dogs Trust visit
- Lots of other fun activities to be confirmed

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

Hot Lunch option is available (£2.40) or children must bring their own packed lunch.

For more information please email  
[ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk)  
FAO Lauren

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

Booking and payment must be made in advance

  
CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Blow away the winter blues  
with an

# ACRYLIC TUITION DAY

with local artist Ivan Maxwell Jones

on  
Wednesday, March 20th

10am - 3pm

at

Storrige Village Hall

Cost: £23  
(all materials included)

Everyone welcome, no  
experience required

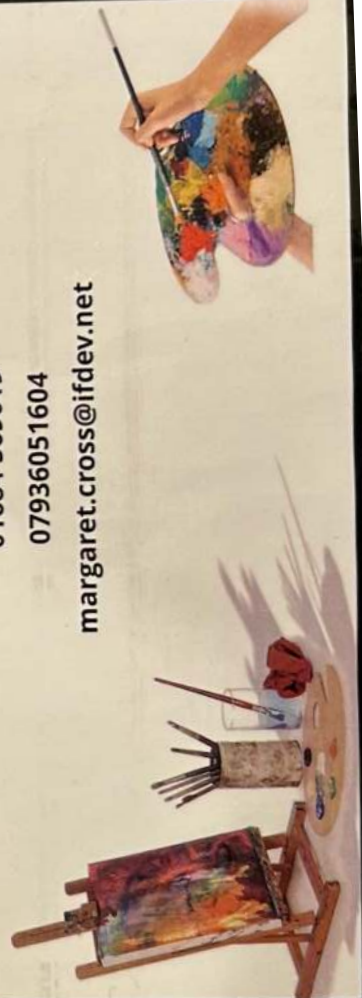
If you would like to take part, please contact

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07936051604

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# Cradley Singers

This is a 'hello' from Cradley Singers to introduce ourselves to you now that we rehearse regularly in your school. We moved from Storridge Village Hall in December as we were out-growing the space but more importantly we moved because we were keen to bed ourselves into the community. So what better place to base ourselves as Cradley Singers than Cradley Primary School and we are really pleased with the move.

If you are interested in joining us do come along to see what we do. We are a choir of around 40 singers performing three main concerts each year in and around the Cradley area. Our members come from many villages and market towns in the area to meet every Wednesday between 7.30 and 9.30. The choir has a good reputation for giving concerts that are musically satisfying, varied and at the same time approachable and enjoyable for audiences. Our next concert is in The Malvern Priory on 27th April where we will be performing Durufle's Requiem and various sacred anthems then in early July (6th) we will be in The Cube, Malvern performing with Malvern Big Band for an evening of light entertainment.

Our website is [cradleysingers.org.uk](http://cradleysingers.org.uk), message through the contact page if you are interested in finding out more – we would love to see you. There is no formal audition requirement but we do ask that you are able to read music to get the best experience. Singing in a choir is great fun, the perfect antidote to a busy day!







## 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.

Seller, buyer  
and stall  
registration  
now open!

Malvern Hills

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Nearly New



Discover budget-friendly treasures for your family at our sale! From cute clothes to playful toys, find quality items at unbeatable prices



Saturday 9 March 2024



2:30pm - 4pm (2:15pm for NCT members)



Malvern Active, Malvern College, Thirlstane Road, WR14 3PL

Buyer entry: £2  
on the day  
or £1.50 online  
in advance

Scan QR code to  
visit our Facebook  
event for more  
information

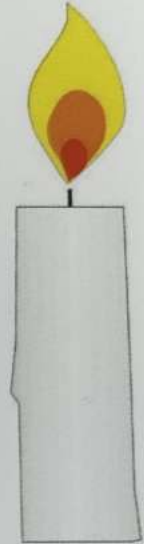




## Join Jimmy's Band?



Jimmy's Band plays  
1st Sunday each month  
Cradley Church  
Practice from 9:30am  
Service from 10:45am



*Musicians of all ages and all abilities welcome  
to join our worship band.  
[www.cradleychurch.org.uk](http://www.cradleychurch.org.uk)*



## Church-4-All!



All-together worship  
1st Sunday each month  
Cradley Church  
10:45am



*With Jimmy's Band*

*activities - songs - bible stories - refreshments  
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