

SUMMER TERM

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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to begin by celebrating our Year 5 and 6 pupils who attended the Conwy residential. It was a truly brilliant experience and a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop independence, teamwork, and confidence. They represented the school exceptionally well, and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our staff team, whose dedication and care made this such a positive and memorable visit.

We recently held a very productive Parents' Forum meeting, where we had valuable discussions around communication and reading. We appreciate the constructive feedback shared and will be following up with further information about a clear structure for communication. Reading will also remain a key focus, and we look forward to developing this further in partnership with you. The next meeting will take place on 18th May. If there are any topics you would like to be discussed, please do get in touch with a member of the forum: Rachel Wyatt, Rachel Golding, Debbie Stokes, Liz Ellis, Rob Boyce and Jo Grindrod.

This week has also provided wonderful opportunities for outdoor learning, with children making the most of the sunshine. It has been lovely to see pupils engaged, active, and enthusiastic while learning outside the classroom.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH

TRUST

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.'

Proverbs 3:5-6



School Calendar



April

- 29 - Sycamore Class Open Classroom
- 29-1 May - Y3/4 JCA Condover Hall Residential

May

- 6 - Maple Class Collective Worship
- 7 - Rags to Riches Collection
- 9 - FoCS Fun Run
- 12 - Nursery to Eastnor Castle
- 15 - Y5/6 Tag Rugby Festival @ Ledbury RFC
- 22 - End of Half Term

June

- 1 - Back to School
- 9 - Class Photos
- 10 - Birch Class Collective Worship

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



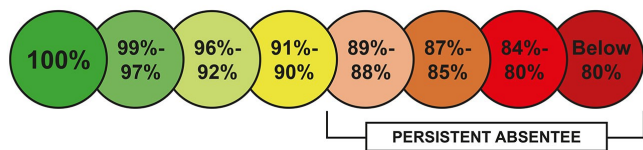
Well done to Birch Class who have had 98.45% attendance this week! Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.50am are counted as late and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	96.92%
Sycamore Class	98.13%
Birch Class	98.45%
Oak Class	98.33%

Whole school 97.95%

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.



Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

News

Friends of Cradley School

Hello everyone,

🏃‍♀️👤 **Sponsored Family Fun Run Saturday 9th May** 🏃‍♀️👤

We are so excited to announce our first ever family fun run being held on Saturday 9th May.

It's set to be a fantastic day for families to come together, have fun, and support our wonderful school — with full details coming after the Easter break.

Every donation and contribution helps us create **memorable experiences** for our children, from school trips and transport to educational resources and enriching activities.

Thank you so much for your continued support — it truly makes a difference – we couldn't do it without you. 🧡

We are looking for volunteers to help with this event, if you can support us in organising or helping out on the day, please get in touch with school reception, Cass, Charlotte or Verity

🎨 **Cradley Tea Towel** 🎨

The children have taken so much love and care in creating their designs for our school Tea Towel. You can purchase these for only £6 each. Great keepsakes and gifts. See more

information 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 – remember to check if your travel agent is donating. 🌟

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

🔗 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

FOCS SPONSORED FUN RUN

SATURDAY 9TH MAY

14:00-16:00

Cradley CE Primary School

100m Nursery and Class 1 run

Class 2 and 3 - Full school field run

Class 4 longer run/walk 3k (Class 2 and 3 welcome to join this with Parents)



Refreshments including hot dogs, ice creams, drinks and snacks



Scan here to donate



Friends of Cradley School

The Friends of Cradley School provide invaluable funds which help to pay for transport to and from events and trips, as well as equipment for the school, including a current project to fundraise for additional iPads.



<https://superkind.org/campaign/friends-of-cradley-primary-school-sponsored-fun-run>

Friends of Cradley School (FOCS)



Friends of Cradley School

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 16th June
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.



Clubs

Below is the list of extra-curricular clubs available to children this term.

Club	Day/Time	Years	Member of Staff
Multi-skills	Monday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs R-3	Ms Creek
Choir – KS2	Monday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-6	Miss Hughes
Gardening	Tuesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-6	Mrs Jones
Football	Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 4-6	JH Football Coaching
Drawing	Thursday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 2-4	Mrs Galvin
SATs Practice	Thursday 3.15-4.15pm	Yr 6	Mr Probert
Bikes and Scooters	Friday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs R-1	Mrs Theakston

To ensure these clubs remain positive, safe and enjoyable for everyone, it is essential that children meet our expectations for behaviour at all times. Any child who does not meet behaviour expectations may be withdrawn from the club.

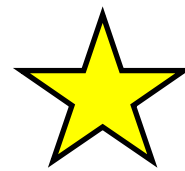
Children must also ensure they:

- have appropriate sports kit or PE kit including trainers
- bring the correct equipment as necessary
- follow instructions and show respect to staff and other pupils.

Many thanks for your continued support.



WEEKLY AWARDS



HAZEL CLASS

Friendship Award
Stars of the Week

Ayla

Betsy for becoming a more attentive listener and engaging well during circle time.

Otto for being brave and showing wonderful resilience after breaking his arm.

MAPLE CLASS

Friendship Award
Stars of the Week

William

Bobby for always trying her best, being kind and thinking positively.

SYCAMORE CLASS

Friendship Award
Star of the Week

Billy-Joe

Rowan for working independently to produce a fantastic Big Write.

BIRCH CLASS

Friendship Award
Stars of the Week

James

Zoe for settling into Birch Class so well.

Rory for creating such a thorough, independent and detailed plan for his Big Write,

OAK CLASS

Friendship Award
Stars of the Week

Artem

James for his enthusiasm in history.

Jenson for his fantastic focus and determination.

HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Jenson, Austin and Zach for being amazing on residential, showing independence and confidence.

Awards Winners This Week

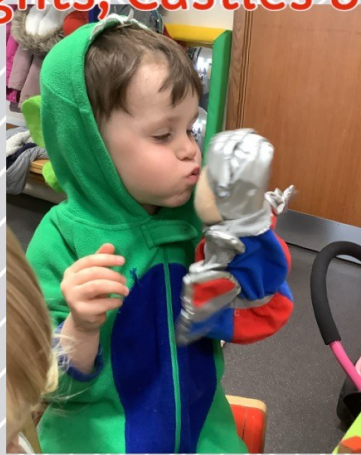




Nursery News



We have been having fun learning about Knights, Castles & Dragons



PIC•COLLAGE

How lovely has it been to see the sunshine this week, which has meant we have been able to spend lots of learning time outside, making the use of our beautiful surroundings.

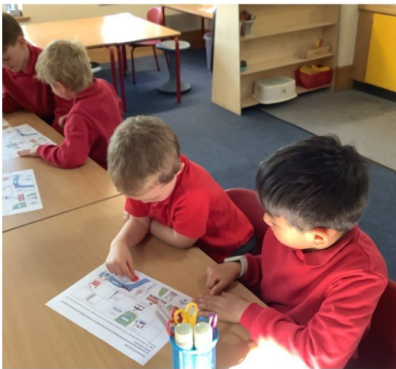
Our theme of Knights and Castles has continued this week and the children have been learning about why Knights wear armour and ways that we can keep ourselves safe. They learnt about the famous St George and how he bravely fought the fierce dragon to become patron saint of England, as well as taking part in a variety of themed activities based around our topic.

During circle times we have been working on our numbers - joining in with counting and recognising numerals and have enjoyed song and rhyme times.

Sycamore Class



In Geography Class 2 have been looking at aerial pictures to spot features. We have used our knowledge to describe location and give direction.



PIC • COLLAGE

Sycamore Class

Sycamore Class had a fantastic session at Forest School this week!



Birch Class

This week Birch Class made cupcakes in maths. They had to weigh the ingredients and once they were baked they got to taste their creations!





CRADLEY SUMMER FESTIVAL

27 June 2026

at

Queenswood

Fete 11am - 5pm

Including old favourites: Novelty Dog Show, craft stalls, bouncy castle

NEW this year: Climbing Wall, Superhero/Princess Meet & Greet,
Party Games in the Arena and more...

Refreshments: Bar, Coffee63, Wheelie Good Pizzas, Hog Roast, refreshment tent

Rock and Folk Concert 7.30pm

with Accolade

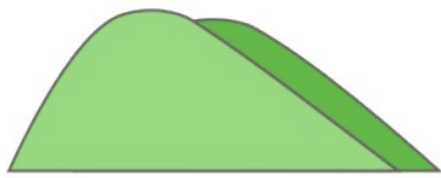
Refreshments: Bar, Hooked&Cooked

Advance tickets: £3 for the Fete, £8 for the concert

(£4 and £10 on the gate)

Children **FREE**





MCS Tennis

NEW 11 Week Beginner Starter Course For JUNIORS



11 week starter course for children age 6-8 years

- Only £44 for 11 weeks 1/3 OFF normal prices!
- Monday 3.45-4.30pm
- Course runs Monday April 27 – July 13
(no session May 25)
- Equipment provided
- Open to non-members

To book, use QR code or visit our website:
clubspark.lta.org.uk/MCSTennis/Coaching
Further enquiries: tstennis4015@gmail.com



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SAVE 10%

*Expires Sunday 3rd May



MAY HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

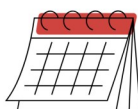
in Malvern



THE DOWNS MALVERN

Brockhill Road, WR13 6EY

All children welcome | Ages 3-16 | 8am - 5pm



Tuesday 26th May -
Friday 29th May

teamsupersports.co.uk/malvern