



# CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020



## Welcome!

We are very pleased to welcome Ebony and Annie to Year 3 this week. We hope that they will both be very happy during their time at Cradley and we are looking forward to getting to know them well.

## Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival

On Friday last week Years 1, 2, 3 and four sang at Holy Trinity Church, Hereford. They were amazing and made us so proud. The children had learned words and actions in a relatively short space of time. The adjudicator was impressed by our clear diction, the changes in dynamics and the way the children looked as if they were enjoying every minute. Well done!



## Science Eggstravaganza

On Tuesday a team of Year 5 children travelled to RGS in Worcester to take part in the Science Eggstravaganza. They competed against 10 other schools and had to work as a team to design and then build a bridge that could support the weight of a Cadbury's Crème Egg at its midpoint, with limited equipment and resources. The final design was a great success!

They took part so enthusiastically and were a credit to Cradley School. Well done to Sian, Liam, Tehya and Leila.



## Big Write Week

This morning during Collective Worship, the different year groups shared the writing that they had been working on during Big Write week. The children have worked really hard producing some fantastic writing including non-chronological reports, newspaper reports, descriptive sentences, formal and informal letters, feature articles and raps. The children shared their work with everyone and it was of such a high quality. Not only that, we had some great conversations about difference and treating people with respect. What a lot of great work we got from one book. Well done everyone.

## A Message from the Governors

The Governors met on Monday for our regular full body meeting, with most being present. We received a detailed Head Teacher's report updating us on the operational activities within school that Mrs Jones is responsible for. We heard from the usual committees (Children & Families, Curriculum & Achievement,

Resources and the Nursery Management Team). We discussed the progress being made with the Curriculum updates for Ofsted and details will be shared on the website soon. The hall roof continues to be a topic of discussion, but we are hopeful it will be resolved during the Easter holidays. Rev Robert Ward shared an update on the SIAMS training he has received. (SIAMS is a statutory inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools, as important as OFSTED for Church Schools such as ours). We had a discussion on Covid-19 and the plans in place for an outbreak of the Corona Virus. Mrs Jones is responding to government advice and will keep in touch with us all (parents & Governors) as the situation develops.

Keep telling your children to wash their hands and let us adults be a good example to them!

#### **Mothering Sunday**

Cradley Church are preparing for The Mothering Sunday Service on March 23rd. We would like as many children and mothers to participate as possible, as we had so much fun last year.

I will be away, so please can you inform Mrs. Jones if you are able to take part. She will then need to pass on your contact to Sue Ronan, a member of the worship committee.

With many thanks

Eryl Copp

#### **Class 4 Collective Worship**

Well done to Class 4, who showed great maturity (said Mrs Crane) as they led our school collective worship on Wednesday morning. They explored the theme of forgiveness through personal reflection, drama, Bible quotes and song. The children then enjoyed showing their parents their hard work in class this term.



#### **Coronavirus**

We are receiving regular updates from the Local Authority with regards to the Coronavirus and are closely monitoring the situation.

We are asking staff, children and visitors to wash or sanitize hands on entry to school and are washing hands and wiping hard surfaces regularly during the day.

We have a plan in place should the situation change resulting in closure of schools.

The latest advice says that children and staff should self-isolate if they have any symptoms for seven days. The symptoms are a high temperature, a dry cough and sometimes a sore throat.

If you have any concerns please see the latest advice on the Coronavirus from Public Health England which is updated daily.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

#### **Food Bank**

We will continue to collect for the food bank this term. Tins, packets and toiletries will be very gratefully received. All donations can be placed in the box in the foyer.

#### **Class 3 Welcome Wednesday**

The Class 3 Welcome Wednesday will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March; parents are invited to come along from 8.50am to join us in the classroom to look at the children's hard work this term.

#### **FOCS News**

We are currently running an Easter Egg decorating competition; please see Tapestry for further information. Entries cost just £1 and must be sent in by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. There will be prizes for all entries and an Easter Egg for each year group winner.

If you haven't done so already, please sign up to EasyFundraising, it takes just 2 minutes and will ensure that over 4,000 shops will donate to us for free every time you shop with them. Please visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofcra dleyschool> or download the EasyFundraising app.

Thank you to everyone who attended the FOCS meeting on Monday where we discussed the fundraising events up until the Summer holidays. Please look out for further information for a film night, black tie ball, family camping and of course the Summer Fair. Please do let us know if you can help with any of these events.

#### **Nursery**

This week in Nursery we have been busy continuing to explore our space theme. We've been creating our own funky aliens, building rockets in junk modelling and making galaxy kites to fly outside. We started off our week with lots of craft activities on Monday, we've been experimenting using different textured materials to make our own space picture and we have used the bingo dabbers to make our own shooting star pictures. On Tuesday we made our own shape rockets, using different shaped paper to create our rockets and have been exploring different vocabulary to describe them. On Wednesday we made our own aliens with Carol, using bright coloured pipe cleaners and a variety of different sized googly eyes; all the children loved creating their

own unique alien. Thursday was our P.E session with Katrina where we've battled between astronauts and aliens to steal back planets between the two teams. This week we have enjoyed exploring junk modelling to create our own rocket and building our own space dens using lots of silver material and ribbon. We finished off another week exploring space with a cooking demonstration on Friday with Katrina, all of the children enjoyed dressing up as mini chef's and looking through the iPad to find out how much their own ingredients cost.

#### Attendance

Well done to Class 3 who've had 98.73% attendance this week. They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear 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 - 96.25%**  
**Class 2 - 94.64%**  
**Class 3 - 98.73%**  
**Class 4 - 96.73%**  
**Class 5 - 92.13%**  
**Whole School - 94.56%**

#### Ledbury Swifts are now recruiting...




**Ledbury Swifts are now looking to recruit girls currently in Years 3 and 4 to join a new U10 football team ready for the 2020-2021 season.**

**If you want to...**

- Try a new sport or develop your existing skills
- Be coached by FA qualified coaches
- Have fun and make new friends

**...our club is the one for you!**

**We train at the astro at JMHS Sports centre during the winter and at the Ross Road Playing Fields during the spring & summer on Tuesdays at 5.30pm**

**First training session is free!**

Find out more at [www.ledburyswiftsfc.org.uk](http://www.ledburyswiftsfc.org.uk)  
 Email: [memberships@ledburyswiftsfc.org.uk](mailto:memberships@ledburyswiftsfc.org.uk)  
 Chat via [www.facebook.com/LedburySwiftsFc](https://www.facebook.com/LedburySwiftsFc)



#### 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. Please join us 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 - Forgiveness

If you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you (Matthew 6:14).

Chosen by Mrs Crane

#### Head Teacher Award

Cleo Baynham & Mali Robb for working persistently and responsibly in cleaning up the Class 1 outdoor area

#### Stars of the week

##### **Nursery**

Ben Clayton for being confident and positive  
 Kai Oseman for his excellent perseverance during activities

##### **Reception**

Evie Pinchbeck for showing all 7 learning behaviours  
 Zachary Lloyd for excellent participation and listening

##### **Year 1**

Chloe Jeffries for taking pride in her Art  
 Becky Dunnett for co-operation in Maths

##### **Year 2**

Mya Oseman for working independently to focus on her writing  
 Toby Gibbons for persistence in all areas with a smile!

##### **Year 3**

Ebony Larkin for settling in well and for her positive attitude in Maths  
 Annie Wilson for settling in so well

##### **Year 4**

Molly-Mae Gibbons for persevering with the Maths and showing excellent improvement  
 Lucas Rankin for taking a risk and performing a beautiful solo

##### **Year 5**

Gabriel De Mattia for excellent shooting skill in basketball  
 Lottie Seddon for being such a positive and caring member of our class

##### **Year 6**

Olivia Flanagan for taking pride in her geographical study of the 2011 Japanese earthquake  
 Isabella Lyndon for being positive and showing lovely co-operation in all her learning this week

#### Dates for the Future

##### MARCH

##### Value of the Month - Forgiveness

##### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>**

Hi Five Netball @ JMHS 9.15-11am

##### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>**

Class 3 Welcome Wednesday

##### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Digital Leaders Conference

##### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

Class 4 trip to Recycling Centre

Yr 1/2 trip to Cathedral

##### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

Last swim for Yr 3/4

##### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>**

Class 5 Welcome Wednesday

Yr 3/4 mixed football @ JMHS 4-5pm

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>**

ASC Film Night - 'The Secret Life of Pets 2'

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup>**

Whole School walk

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup>**

Bike Ability Yr 6

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>**

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#### **APRIL**

**Value of the Month - Responsibility**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>**

Bike Ability Yr 6

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Easter Service

Last day of term

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Back to school

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Tennis @ JMHS

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>**

MSJ Lacrosse Festival Yr 5/6 girls

#### **MAY**

**Value of the Month - Co-operation**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>**

Rags 2 Riches Collection

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Janden @ JMHS

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ledbury Rugby Day