



CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 28th June 2019



Deputy Head Appointment

I am delighted to let you know that, following an interview process held this week, Miss Victoria Guy has been appointed as Deputy Head Teacher. She has been acting in the role since April and will take up the position permanently from September. Miss Guy and I have the same vision for the school and how we want to lead it forward, and I am very much looking forward to working with her.

We have a couple more staffing appointments to make in the next week; I will let you know full details as soon as everything is finalised.

Mrs Jones

May Bank Holiday

Please note we have had to alter our published term dates for 2019/2020 to take into account the change of date for the early May bank holiday. This is now Friday May 8th 2020. The move has been made to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE day.

Warm Weather

Please remember to label jumpers with your child's name, as we are finding a lot of unnamed jumpers/cardigans are being left around school in this warm weather.

Contacting staff

Please could we remind parents not to contact staff via their personal email address or phone number. All queries should be made through the school office.

School grounds

We have become increasingly aware of children using the school grounds out of school hours and inappropriately using equipment on site. Please be aware that - due to insurance restrictions - we cannot allow children on our school grounds out of school hours. The grounds can only be used by pre-booked groups or parties.

Non Uniform Day

We will be having a Non-Uniform Day on Wednesday 3rd July. Children can wear their own clothes in return for a donation. Please bring a bottle of something yummy for the tombola at the Summer Fair.

FOCS request

We are looking for good-quality bric-a-brac and unwanted school uniform for a stall at the Summer Fair. Please bring anything you are able to donate into school W/C 8th July.

Summer Fair Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help run a stall at the Summer Fair on Friday 12th July. To make this event a success we need support from all our parents. (If you

don't want to be on a stall for the whole fair you could find a friend to share a slot!)

Camping Weekend

FOCS are looking forward to the family camping this weekend. Thank you to all those who have offered to put tents up today. If you need directions, please contact Roger. Those who have booked in, please remember to bring mugs, named plates, and so on, and a sweet or savoury dish to share. Arrival time is Saturday from 2pm. Let's hope the weather is just right!

RGS Rowing Course

RGS in Worcester is running a five-day summer rowing course which is open to children from all schools. The details are as follows:

Who: Current Year 6s going into Year 7

Where: The sessions will be based from the clubhouse on the River Severn (near the racecourse)

When: w/c [Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August](#) and Monday 12th to 16th August

Time: [10am to 3pm](#) daily

Cost: £60 per week

For further information or to book a place, please contact Jane Sullivan, Head Coach at jcs@rgsw.org.uk

TA Vacancy

Cradley School currently has a vacancy for a Teaching Assistant post at Level 1. If appointed, you would be expected to support the Class Teacher in a mixed Reception / Year 1 Class. You would also be required to teach a small group of Reception children for phonics (training given). Closing date for applications is 9am on 1st July, with interviews being held on Friday 5th July. If you would like more information, contact the school or look on the school website.

Bell-boating Regatta

Yesterday, Classes 4 and 5 had a fantastic time in Tewkesbury taking part in the annual inter-school bell-boating regatta. The weather was perfect and spurred us on to perform more successfully than we have ever done before. Our Year 4 team won their final heat, and our Year 6 red team won the final heat to receive the regatta shield. All teams rowed brilliantly. Well done everybody!





Crucial Crew

On Tuesday, Years 5 and 6 spent the day at Leominster Police Station (only briefly in the cells!) taking part in 'Crucial Crew' - a series of personal-safety and well-being workshops. It was such a worthwhile day, and we had lots of fun whilst taking in lots of information about keeping safe on the railways, on public transport, and in water; preventing fire in our homes; making responsible and safe choices online; knowing where and when to seek help in various situations, and keeping safe around dogs.

Lifepath

On Wednesday, Key Stage 2 went to Malvern Priory to learn all about the history of this beautiful building from when it was first built over 900 years ago, to the worship that continues today. In a series of really fun workshops the children learned about the daily life of prayer and service of the monks who inhabited the priory, medieval medicine, the architecture of the building and the archaeological artefacts found, how to spin wool, play handbells, and toll the bells in the Tower! In addition, there were times of lively worship, entertaining storytelling and quiet times of prayer and reflection. It was a lovely day and our thanks go to the huge team of helpers from Malvern Priory who took such care in the planning and smooth running of the day.



Nursery

We started the week in Nursery by making play dough and using our imagination to create lots of small world scenes with the Happy Land toys. On Tuesday we welcomed our younger friends into Nursery for our stay-and-play session. On Wednesday the children turned Nursery into a doctors' surgery and practised bandaging each other and helping to make their 'patients' better. On Thursday, Katrina helped the children to match pictures of baby animals with grown up ones and looked at how animals change as they grow. We ended the week with a trip to Forest School where we looked at how animals use camouflage, and then made animal habitats for some woodland toys.



Class 1

This week we have been out on the field, picking daisies in Maths and learning to count in twos and fives. We have continued with our topic, thinking about where food comes from and how to eat seasonally. We picked some nettles from Forest School and made nettle soup, and in phonics some of us wrote about how to make it. We have been looking at music in silent movies and learning about how films have changed over time. The Pre-Schoolers have been in for another Transition session and came along to another assembly in the hall with KS1. The weather was good for our tennis session on Wednesday; we focused on agility and control, rallying with ourselves and then a partner.

Class 2

This week we visited Clive's Fruit Farm near Upton upon Severn. Despite the heavy rain which was falling at the beginning of the day, we had a brilliant trip and everyone learned a lot about the fruit farm and how it has changed over the years. We began by visiting the polytunnels and saw the raspberry and strawberry plants. Next, everyone picked their own punnet of strawberries and tasted three types of juice which are produced on the farm. We had our lunch in the polytunnels then went for a muddy walk to see the Forest School area, tunnel and cherry trees. We finished the day by picking a cherry to enjoy straight from the tree. Many thanks to the parents who came to help, and well done to Class 2 who were very polite and well behaved.



Class 3

This week we have enjoyed more baking and one half of the class has completed their Forest School sewing. This has been a project lasting a few weeks, and the results really are amazing! In English the children have worked on a double-page spread, researching and presenting facts about World War 2, and in Maths they have been looking at division problems. Wednesday's trip to the Priory was another highlight of the week.



Class 4

It has been a very busy week in Class 4 with lots of exciting activities going on. In English we have edited and

improved our 'warning' tales. On Tuesday, while the Year 5s were out at Crucial Crew, we researched and made computer games for the Nursery children. We really enjoyed spending time with them! In the afternoons, we have been working on our World Records topic by creating timelines; this helped us to think about the idea of continuity and change in history. Throughout the week we have also been supporting Class 5 with their play rehearsals - our scene and class dance are really coming along!

Class 5

This week, Class 5 have had three exciting and interesting days out of the classroom (details above) so we had lots of work to do rehearsing on the remaining two days! Next Friday, 5th July, is our dress rehearsal, so all costumes must be in school before then please.

Stars of the Week

- Nursery** Delphine Durham and Faith Keveren for showing increasing confidence in Nursery
- Class 1** Genevieve Stevens for being co-operative and reflective in class
 Becky Dunnett for being positive, taking a risk and being independent
 Clem Tambling for his positive and reflective attitude
- Class 2** Elena Edwards for fabulous writing in her assessed piece
 Mia Mabey for fabulous descriptive writing, using lots of adjectives
- Class 3** Seb Seldon and Van Hughes for a super display of wool spinning at The Priory
- Classes 4 and 5** Everyone for their tremendous effort and excellent teamwork at bell-boating

Value of the Month

Proverbs 20:1

Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise.

Chosen by Mrs Gleaves

Dates for the Future

- JUNE** Wisdom
- Saturday**
 29th FOCS Family Camping Weekend
- Sunday**
 30th FOCS Family Camping Weekend
- JULY** Creation
- Wednesday**
 3rd Herefordshire School Games
 Non-school uniform day
- Friday**
 5th Clubs finish
 Play Dress Rehearsal
- Monday**
 8th KS2 Play to School
- Tuesday**
 9th KS2 Play 6pm

Wednesday

10th Janden Sports Trophy @ JMHS
KS2 Play 6pm

Thursday

11th Nursery Leavers' Service
Year 6 Fun Day

Friday

12th School Summer Fair

Tuesday

16th Whole School Walk

Wednesday

17th Leavers' Rounders and BBQ

Thursday

18th Term Ends

Friday

19th INSET Day