AUTUMN TERM 14 October 2022



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School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

OCTOBER			
Tues 18	Parents Evening 3.30- 5.30pm		
Wed 19	Bikeability for Y6		
Wed 19	Nursery Stay and Play 10- 11.30am		
Wed 19	Parents Evening 5.30- 7.30pm		
Fri 21	Half Term		
Mon 31	Back to School		
Mon 31	Flu Vaccinations		
NOVEMBER			
Wed 16	Class 5 Collective Worship		
Wed 23	Class 3 Collective Worship		
DECEMBER			
Tues 6	Nativity 1.30pm		
Wed 7	Class 4 Welcome Wednesday		
Wed 7	Nativity 1.30pm		

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents.

As most of you will be aware we were visited by OFSTED inspectors on Wednesday this week. We cannot talk about the outcome of the inspection until the report is received in school. What I can tell you is that your children are amazing and did themselves and our school proud. They spoke eloquently and openly to inspectors about school life, lessons and their learning in small groups, individually in lessons and read to an adult in front of them. As Miss Evans accompanied the inspector around School to observe lessons, she told me that she had never been so proud to be a teacher at our school. I am incredibly proud of and thankful to the children, staff, parents and Governors who all pulled together to show just how special the Cradley family is.

We are all looking forward to a restful weekend. God Bless.

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH THANKFULNESS

'Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, For he is good; His love endures forever."

Psalm 106:1



Attendance

Well done to Class 3 who have had 98.15% 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 – 84.5% Whole school – 92.69%

Class 2 - 90.4%

Class 3 - 98.15%

Class 4 - 95.71%

Class 5 - 95.71%



Teeny Tots Toddler Group



We are a friendly, local toddler group that meets in Storridge Village Hall. 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, songs, snacks and drinks. Please come and join us, we'd love to see you!



We're going on a Fungi Hunt!

Cradley Church is holding a repeat session of 'Learn to Identify Fungi' in the churchyard. We are looking for leaders and participants to help us identify what we have at present, the session is planned for **Wednesday 2nd November from 2 to 4pm.** Further updates will be made available on the notice-board at Cradley.org.uk. Please let me know if you are interested.

Tony Copp, as Chair Cradley PCC Churchyard Committee, 07976 969537, Fungi@ajcopp.plus.com

Parents Evenings

Thank you for completing the Parents Evenings form. You will be notified of your allocated time on Monday.

Reporting Absences

The School Office is staffed from 9am-3pm each day. Please email admin@cradley.hereford.sch.uk or put a message on Tapestry if possible if your child won't be in for any reason. We need to hear from you every day if your child is absent.

Unsupervised Children on School Grounds

Please can you ensure your children do not ride bikes around the school site outside of school hours. Please also make them aware of traffic coming out of the school car park - this week there was very nearly a nasty collision.







Christmas Cards

You should all now have your card showing your child's beautiful artwork and your unique code for ordering. Well done to all the children for their artistic efforts.



Please could you all place your orders by next Wednesday, 19th October, as this way it maximises the fundraising commission that they give us...so more money available to fund school trips!

This year, for the first time, you can only order and pay online.





Many thanks to Sally and her team and to all the children for their apple juicing efforts. We have made 266 bottles and the children will be designing some bottle labels next week. More details on pricing to follow but each family will get the chance to buy 1-2 bottles each and then, if there are spares left, it will be opened up for those who want to buy more.



Marshmallow Fridays



We would appreciate any donations of the large style marshmallows, breadsticks, hot chocolate powder and chocolate bars (for melting) for November's Marshmallow Fridays.

If you have any more spare eating apples or fancy having a go at making some toffee apples for us, please can you let the School know?



Christmas Fair

More info to follow nearer the date but if you have any leftovers from party bags that we could use as prizes for the village fair, please bring them in school.

Additionally we are starting to make plans for our Christmas events, so please do let us know if you're able to offer any help. No offer of help is too small!!



AGM



A reminder that we have our AGM next Thursday 20th October at 7pm. It will be held via Zoom and is open to all parents & guardians so that whoever wishes to attend does not need to hire a babysitter.

We need to appoint 2 key posts to our FoCS committee as our current Chair and Secretary need to step down from these positions due to work commitments.

These are both jobs that can be shared if you cannot commit to it alone so please don't be put off thinking the role is too large for one person. There are some parents who are very happy to help out and we are very grateful for that but without these 2 elected roles the committee legally cannot run. This means that fundraising and events will not be able to happen. Last year the FoCS team raised £3,685 by organising the school disco, apple juicing, a Christmas pop up shop, Christmas treats, a visit from Father Christmas, a Christmas Raffle, Christmas Cards designed by children, a Bingo night and the Summer Fair. We also got involved in community events including the Village Open Day and the Jubilee Fete. It is currently just a small group of people who did all of this and so we desperately need additional volunteers to help. Any contribution of help, no matter how small would be greatly appreciated

If you shop online, we'd really appreciate your help at no extra cost to you...

Please take part in Easyfundraising - https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofcradleyschool

Or try your luck on our School Lottery https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/cradley-ce-primary-school

The FoCS team

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Clubs

These are the clubs that are running for the first half of this term. Your child needs to have signed up to attend.



Club	Day/Time	Years	Member of Staff
Wellbeing	Monday 3-4pm	Yrs 3-4	Miss Reckling
Choir	Monday 3-4pm	Yrs 3-6	Miss Grizzell
Little Fishes	Monday 3-4pm	Yrs 1-2	Mrs Jones
Musical Theatre	Tuesday 3-4pm	Yrs 3-6	Miss Tuckwood
Gardening	Tuesday 3-4pm	Yrs 4-6	Mrs Gleaves
iPads	Wednesday	Yrs 1-2	Digital Leaders & Miss
	Lunchtime		Guy
Mindful Colouring	Thursday Lunchtime	Yrs R-6	Miss Padan
Hockey	Thursday 3-4pm	Yrs 5-6	Miss Evans & Mr Glover
Multi-skills	Thursday 3-4pm	Yrs R-2	Miss Thompson
Wellbeing	Thursday 3-4pm	Yrs 5-6	Miss Reckling
Football	Friday 3-4pm	Yrs 5-6	Miss Evans & Mr Glover







STARS OF THE WEEK



NURSERY	Harriet for consistently good listening and behaviour in nursery.		
	Peggy for building new friendships in nursery.		
	Pryia for taking a risk and exploring new areas of nursery.		
CLASS 1	Josh for progressing so far with his learning. Well done.		
	Zoe for always working hard and showing great progression with her phonics. Zoe is always a kind and caring friend.		
CLASS 2	Faith for taking a pride in your poetry performances.		
	Austin for being a risk taker at the Harvest Festival.		
CLASS 3	Jake for being independent and persevering with his reading.		
	Hayden for super listening and taking on board what he learned in geography.		
CLASS 4	Ollie H has been really focussed on his learning this week, especially in our English lessons, well done, keep it up!		
	Rory for being consistently engaged in all of our lessons, his contribution in class discussions is excellent and he's been very helpful around the classroom this week.		
CLASS 5	Daniel for taking pride in his work and sharing ideas when working with Mrs Whitaker.		
	Freddie for always taking such pride and care in all of his work, his effort and enthusiasm is outstanding!		
HEADTEACHER'S AWARD	To the Children, Staff, Governors and Parents who gave so much support to school this week.		











NURSERY NEWS



The children began the week with PE in the hall, where Kelley was showing them how they could move in different ways to music. They skipped, twirled, leaped and rolled as they pretended to be princes, princesses and superheroes. We then had a go at dancing with rainbow ribbons, which everyone enjoyed - even the grown ups!!

On Tuesday the preschoolers joined the school children at church for the Harvest Festival. It was lovely listening to them singing and watching them perform on the stage. Afterwards we all enjoyed the walk back to nursery in the sunshine. Back in nursery the younger children had helped Lauren and Donna make some autumn leaf biscuits which we shared at snack time.

Lauren had set up an amazing sensory farm tray on Wednesday, using a variety of different cereals for the animals to graze in and the for the children to explore. Outside we had a real messy time in the mud kitchen, making 'rubbish' soup, mud pies and talking about whisking, stirring, cooking and eating.

On Thursday Kelley took the children out in pairs on an autumn walk around the school ground. They jumped in leaves, collected acorns and conkers and listened to the birds singing in the trees. Then in the afternoon they played in the large sand pit building huge sandcastles and a volcano.

Then to end the week, the children had a go at making homes for the autumnal animals using twigs, leaves and straw.











Harvest Festival

What a lovely Harvest Festival service we had on Tuesday. The children sang and performed beautifully and it was lovely to see so many families join us in the church.









October half term children's activities

Keep the children active during the school holidays with our climbing activity programmes. An hour of climbing activities and fun under the supervision of our experienced instructors.

Small group sizes to ensure your child gets the best out of their session.

Dates/Session times

Ages	5 – 8 years	9+ years
Date	Time	Time
Monday 24 th October	09:30 – 10:30	11:00 – 12:00
Wednesday 26 th October	09:30 – 10:30	11:00 – 12:00
Thursday 27 th October	09:30 – 10:30	11:00 – 12:00

Cost £11.00 per person (booking essential in advance to avoid disappointment)

Please call to book your place 01432 359392

(Major credit/debit cards accepted)

Boulder Barn, Unit 1A Holmer Trading Estate, Hereford, HR1 1JS Tel: 01432 359392

Email: angie@tasteforadventure.co.uk www.boulderbarnclimbing.co.uk

October Half Term! Creative Adventures at Ledbury Poetry House!



The Poetry Machine is Back!

Friday 21 and Saturday 22 October, 11am-4pm Free! Drop in!

Beth Calverley will fire up her marvellous poetry machine and craft beautiful, intuitive poems on her vintage typewriter.



Comic Book Workshop

Saturday 22 October 10.30am–12.30pm & 1.30pm–3.30pm Free (bookable as places are limited) Suitable for families with children over 7 yrs.

Learn new comics skills in this fun and informal workshop, led by comics artist and illustrator, Irina Richards.



Bunraku Puppetry

Learn the methods used by puppeteers to make a puppet come bursting into life.

Wednesday 26 October 10.30am-12.30pm (7-9 yrs) & 1.30pm-3.30pm (10-13 yrs) Free (bookable as places

are limited)

without words.

The Fetch Theatre will bring a van full of Bunraku puppets including characters old and young, animals, insects and mythical creatures. You can learn how to give them a personality and tell a tale



Performing in a mask

Use a mask to create unique characters and tell stories.

Thurday 27 October 10.30am-12.30pm (7-9 yrs) & 1.30pm-3.30pm (10-13 yrs) Free (bookable as places are limited)

Blank faces, character masks, half-masks, animal masks - this workshop will introduce you a wide range of masks to create your own characters.



Shadow Puppets

Make your own shadow puppets and devise a short story.

Friday 28 October
Full day starts 10.45pm
(lunchbreak 12.45pm–
1.30pm) finishes 3.30pm.
Bring own packed lunch
Free (bookable as places
are limited) for ages 7+

Operate The Fetch's exquisitely made shadow puppets on the shadow screen. Then make your own amazing shadow puppets.



Stop Motion Animation

Saturday 29 October 11am-4pm Free! For ages 7+ Drop in morning 11am-1pm! Bookable afternoon session 2pm-4pm.

Create characters and then animate, using stopmotion software. Learn storyboarding and lighting. The end result is a glorious animated film to download & Ledbury Poetry House, The Barrett Browning Institute, The Homend, Ledbury HR8 2AA www.ledburypoetry.org.uk

Book places by email to director@ledburypoetry.org.uk





Ledbury Town Council

October Half-term 24-27 October 2022

Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School WR13 5NG

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Wizards and Witches

Baking - creepy cakes & scary scones

Apple bobbing

Session Times &

Costs

8am - 5pm

9am - 3pm

Mummy wrapping

PE games including eyeball and spoon race

Slime and gloop activities

* Forest School

Orange bird feeders

For more information please

email

admin@cradley.hereford.sch.uk

FAO Lauren

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



All children must bring their own packed lunch



