



**SPRING TERM**  
**7 February 2025**

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# **School Newsletter**

## **Message from the Head Teacher**

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful Collective Worship Sycamore Class led introducing our February value of love. They told the story of the 'Good Samaritan' and talked about what love means to them. The song they sang will stay with me as one of my 'golden nuggets' for a very long time.

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week and in Collective Worship we explored the fact that we all have different emotions that come and go at different times of the day. It is important to recognise and name these emotions. If we do, we will be much more able to manage our feelings and the behaviours that come from them.

Enjoy the disco tonight and we look forward to seeing you all at Parents Evening next week.

God bless,

Mrs Jones

### **VALUE OF THE MONTH**

#### **LOVE**

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." This is the first and greatest commandment.

**Matthew 22**



# School Calendar



## **February**

3-14 - Birch Class swimming every day

7 - FoCS School Disco 6-8pm

11-12 - Parents Evening

17 - Half-term

24 - Back to school

## **March**

5 - Welcome Wednesday Birch Class

6 - World Book Day

7 - Worcester Wolves game for Y4-6 (evening)

19 - Collective Worship Oak Class

## Music Lessons At Cradley

**PIANO, CLARINET,  
SAXOPHONE AND  
SINGING LESSONS**



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE  
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT

[elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com)

Flute Lessons with Bea  
Price

[bpriceflute@gmail.com](mailto:bpriceflute@gmail.com)



Guitar Lessons with Tom  
Doherty

[tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk)

Piano, clarinet, saxophone and singing -  
Wednesday mornings

Flute - Wednesday afternoons

Guitar - Monday afternoons

# Attendance

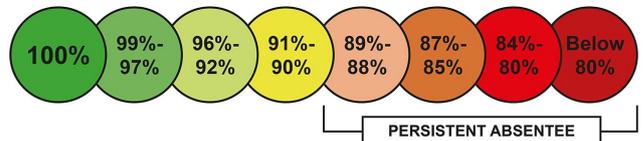


Well done to Sycamore Class who have had 96.25% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	92.73%	Whole school	95.35%
Sycamore Class	96.25%		
Birch Class	95.19%		
Oak Class	95.56%		

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

## Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the following posts:

### After School Club Assistant

Mondays and Thursdays, 3.00-5.30pm  
starting asap.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested please speak to Mrs Jones or ask in the office.

## Swimming

Remember Birch Class are swimming every afternoon this week too so will need their swimming kit, including goggles if you wish, every day.

Thank you.



# Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

## News

Thanks everyone who bought hot chocolate and treats for Marshmallow Friday last week. We made £54 which is incredible.

In addition, we had a lovely surprise in the form of an email from Asda's Cashpot for Schools. You lovely lot have raised £75.05!

All that from doing nothing more than your usual shopping, so a huge thanks to everyone who took the time to register their Asda accounts.



We're really looking forward to seeing all the children at the disco tonight at 6pm. Even if you haven't managed to buy a ticket in advance, you're still able to buy tickets on the door.

Please continue to use easy fundraising. Their donations are a very generous addition to the FoCS bank account, and all this money is spent on your children.

Cass, Kirstie and Charlotte

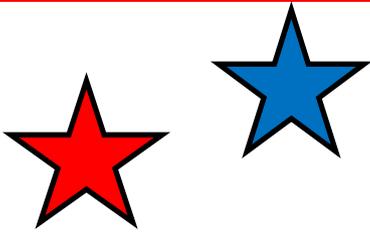


## Parents Evenings

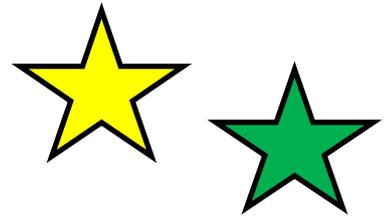
Parents Evenings are on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th  
February 2025.

Appointment confirmation texts have gone out today. If you didn't receive one please contact the office to book one of the remaining timeslots.

We look forward to seeing you then,



# WEEKLY AWARDS



<b>HAZEL CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Liora and Wilson Louis for being a superstar at Breakfast Club and always leading by example with beautiful manners. Mason for being brave, taking a risk and building lots of new friendships in nursery. Reuben for being so welcoming and kind to a new friend during their settling in sessions.
<b>MAPLE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Star of the Week</b>	Innis Leo for coming into school independently with a really positive attitude.
<b>SYCAMORE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Star of the Week</b>	Jesse Jack for his courage and positive attitude towards the Class Collective Worship and stepping in for a poorly child.
<b>BIRCH CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Poppy Elena for being so positive with her learning. Bella for being positive and independent with her reading.
<b>OAK CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Nicholas Zach for always doing his best and taking pride in his work. Jasmine for being a good role model around school.
<b>HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD</b>	James M and Isaac for showing amazing bravery going to swimming this week!



# Hazel News



The children have been thinking creatively and problem solving this week whilst playing with the guttering tubes and balls. At the same time they have been developing social and communication skills.



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# Sycamore Class

## Sycamore Class

HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT

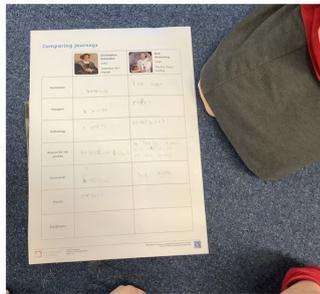
# LOVE



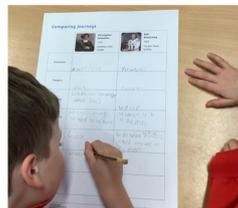
Class 2 welcomed parents and grandparents into class this week to look at the amazing work they have been up to. Thank you for coming!



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Class 2 have been learning about historically significant people. This week we researched explorers, Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. The children then worked in groups to compare the explorers. The children were so engaged, they even decided to build their own spaceship during free play.



PIC•COLLAGE

## Birch Class



Birch Class have loved dressing in their choice of clothes today for 'Know yourself, Grow yourself' as part of Children's Menal Health Week.

# BEAVERS

Would your child like to have a bit of fun and adventure on Friday evenings? We currently have a couple of spaces at Beavers in Cradley.

Beaver Scouts is the youngest section of the Scouting movement in the UK, designed for children aged 6 to 8 years old. It provides a fun and engaging environment where young children can make new friends, develop confidence, and learn valuable life skills through games, outdoor activities, and teamwork.

## What do Beaver Scouts do?

- Outdoor Adventures - nature walks, camping, and exploring
- Crafts & Creativity - fun hands-on activities
- Teamwork & Social Skills - learning to work with others
- Badges & Challenges - achievements in different skills
- Community Involvement - helping others and learning about the world

We meet at the Scout hut in Cradley 6-7pm every Friday during term time.

For further information, please contact Paula on 07919 168562 or email [paula@littlesoft.co.uk](mailto:paula@littlesoft.co.uk)



## 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.

# PLAY ROUNDERS NEAR YOU

## THE FUN SOCIAL GROUP FOR ROUNDERS IN ENGLAND



Did you love Rounders at school?  
 Want to try something new?  
 Looking to improve your mental health?  
 Want a fun and friendly welcome?  
 If you answered YES to any of these,  
 then come and have a FREE TASTER!

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JOHN MASEFIELD HIGH  
 SCHOOL, Mabel's Furlong,  
 Ledbury HR8 2HF



FRIDAYS @ 6PM



1st session FREE for new  
 players  
 £5 per session after



# 110 planters for pollinators



Let's turn Cradley into a pollinators' paradise

## \* The big idea

To celebrate 110 years of the WI, the Cradley branch and Cradley Wild want to get 110 planters located all over the village this summer. We want your help to fill them with insect-friendly plants and make Cradley a haven for bees and other pollinators.

## \* Get growing

- Find a pot, tub, hanging basket or any container. We may be able to help you if you can't find one.
- Fill it with compost. We will have some you can use.
- Collect your starter pack, with seeds, a small plant and your all-important number.
- Plant up your container.
- Place it where it can be seen and remember to water it.
- Enjoy your pot of loveliness and the insects that visit.

## \* Where to start

If you can plant up a container, drop us an email: [plantersforpollinators@gmail.com](mailto:plantersforpollinators@gmail.com). We'll keep you posted about events and activities to help you on your way.



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