



**SUMMER TERM**

**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**2 May 2025**

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# **School Newsletter**

## **Message from the Head Teacher**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin this new term, I would like to warmly welcome all our families back to school. I hope the break provided a chance to rest, recharge, and spend quality time together.

This month, our school community will be focusing on the Christian value of Honesty. We believe that teaching children to be honest - with themselves and with others - lays the foundation for strong character, healthy relationships, and a positive learning environment. Through classroom discussions, assemblies, and daily interactions, we will be encouraging pupils to speak truthfully, act with integrity, and take responsibility for their actions.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to a term full of challenges, new learning and experiences as we continue our journey.

Have a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend!

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

### **VALUE OF THE MONTH**

#### **HONESTY**

“Dear children, let us not love with words or speech, but with actions and in truth.”

**John 3:18**



# School Calendar



## May

- 5 - Bank Holiday Monday
- 7 - Welcome Wednesday Birch Class
- 8 - VE Day Celebratory Breakfast - children wear red, white and blue and come into hall at 8.30am for breakfast.
- 12 - SATs Week for Year 6
- 16 - Tag Rugby Festival @ Ledbury for Years 5 and 6
- 20 - Sports Day am - children can go home in the afternoon
- 26 - Half-term holiday

## June

- 2 - Back to school
- 3 - Nursery to Bennett's Farm
- 4 - Welcome Wednesday Oak Class

**Please note: Welcome Wednesday for Oak Class will now be on 4 June. Birch Class will have theirs on 7 May.**

# 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

Flute - Tuesday afternoons

Guitar - Monday afternoons

# Attendance

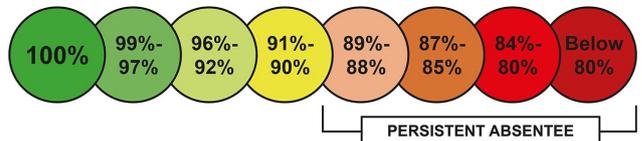


Well done to Sycamore Class who have had an amazing 100% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	94.79%	Whole school	97.56%
Sycamore Class	100%		
Birch Class	99%		
Oak Class	98.56%		

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?



CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Arriving late can affect your child's attendance**

**Every minute counts**



**Lateness = lost learning**

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day	3 days lost
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost

As few as 19 missed days over the school year reduces your child's chances of success. Your child's SAT results could drop by one grade across all subjects.

**Don't let your child miss out!**

What you can do:

- Have a regular routine for the start of each day.
- Help your child get their clothes and equipment ready before they go to bed.
- Set a reasonable bedtime to make sure they get enough sleep.

**Get your child to school on time. If they are late, they have a bad start to the day.**

If your child arrives late for class:

- They miss out on important learning, which could affect their achievement.
- They don't have the social time to settle into class.
- It can be embarrassing for them.
- They may disrupt the learning of the rest of the class.

# **Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)**

## **News**

Thanks to everyone who supported Marshmallow Friday before the holiday. We hope you enjoyed the treats!

We have lots more exciting events coming up and will post details in the newsletter and in our Facebook group - please do join to be kept up to date - [Friends of Cradley School \(FoCS\) | Facebook](#)

The FoCS team are always after more help.

Help in anyway is always appreciated to either help run events on the day, with preparation beforehand, or help with admin behind the scenes.

Specifically, at this point we are looking for a new treasurer to take over from Kirstie when she leaves at the end of the school year. If you feel you're able to help in anyway, please let us know.

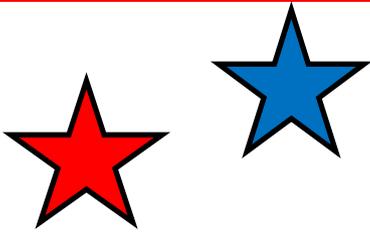
You do not need any experience!

And finally... please keep using easy fundraising. It has been an amazing source of extra income for us this year.

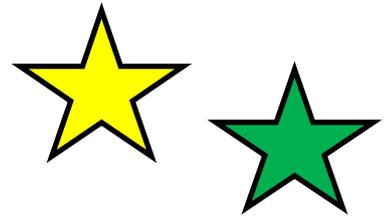
Happy Easter everyone, and see you all next term for more fundraising!

Charlotte, Cass and Kirstie





# WEEKLY AWARDS



<b>HAZEL CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Blake Eliza and Faye for a brilliant first week at Cradley Nursery!
<b>MAPLE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Nathan Arthur for recognising a ? in a sentence and explaining what it is used for.
<b>SYCAMORE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Star of the Week</b>	Ben Charlotte for starting the term with a great attitude to her learning.
<b>BIRCH CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Rosie Ayvah for putting so much effort into her independent work. Rory for taking pride in his writing.
<b>OAK CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Geni Rennelle and Thomas for working really hard when working collaboratively.
<b>HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD</b>	Charlie for being awarded player of the term at his football academy. Joshua for a successful dance festival with lots of super feedback. Cherish for being super supportive to Maple Class children on the playground in the mornings. Johnny for making independent and mature choices in his role as Worship Leader.



# Hazel News



PIC•COLLAGE

What lovely weather we have had to start our Summer Term!! Most of the week has been spent out on the playground, making the most of the wonderful sunshine. The children have been role playing in the 'campsite,' recognising and using shapes to create and build rocket ships and have been very busy, working together at the 'Cradley Nursery Car Wash.



# Sycamore Class



To start off our new book, Class 2 took part in a litter pick around school. We were surprised by the amount of litter we found. This inspired us to write a letter to Mrs Jones, sharing our ideas on how to reduce litter and keep our school clean and tidy.

Can you describe each item using an expanded noun phrase?

- 1) Gold ruffled Pen
- 2) White dirty yard
- 3) blue torn ramp
- 4) Black broken car
- 5) sweet dirty rapper

Can you describe each item using an expanded noun phrase?

- 1) Crumpled tin-foam
- 2) old sweet rapper
- 3) grey dirty card board
- 4) red torn fabric
- 5) long blue string

To Mrs Jones  
 Class 2 have been on a litter pick and I was so shocked that there was so much litter. But when we went on the litter pick it was being a bit better and cleaner. We found old sweet wrappers and old plastic water bottles. There was old pieces of sponge from a football, we think that we need more bins we could get some signs saying don't litter and a bucket was for recycling toys. So if that doesn't happen animals will die.  
 From Oscar class 2 year 2

To Mrs Jones we  
 we have been doing litter picking around the school and I found a red torn pen and it was very dirty and I was disgusted by our school in. I think it's very then malden school and in malden there was a bin if there was a bin then animals would not be here

To Mrs Jones  
 Class Two have been on a litter pick around the school I felt surprised how much litter there was. It was the dirtiest school ever. Now it is the cleanest. I have got a pair of forceps and a metal tool. We need to put up some more bins and put up signs so people won't litter. We need to stop litter picking because it's the dirtiest and it's a waste of time.

In class 2 we have done litter picking and we were surprised by what we have seen. we saw plastic, cardboard and lots of stuff. If children and parents throw rubbish animals will eat it and they will die so we need to do it every week. Maybe we need to put some posters outside next to the main exit so children and parents to know and do you know that the rubbish can harm the animals? I think our school is the dirtiest so we went on a litter pick.

Letters and finger space

To Mrs Jones  
 we went on a litter pick this week I was shocked I've never seen as much litter in my life. There were old dirty strings and dirtier stuff like a pen, a ball on the path and string on the play ground. I think better when we did the litter pick. I think that there should be more bins on the play ground. Put more signs saying please no litter. We should also see about bins. We need to put up litter water. If animals will eat the litter and get sick and will die in the sea.



PIC-COLLAGE

# Sycamore Class



First forest school session of the term and class 2 enjoyed fire starting 🔥



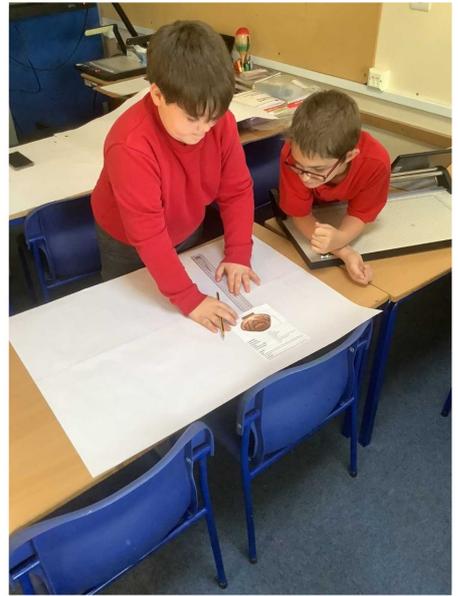
# Birch Class

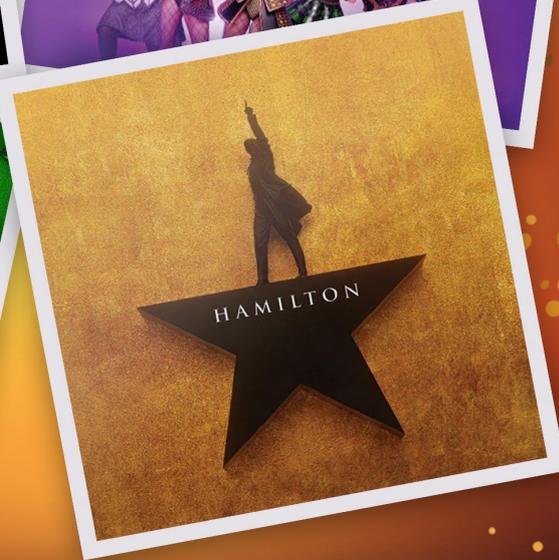
Birch Class have been looking at how xylem absorbs water and nutrients through the stem of celery this week in science.



# Oak Class

Oak Class worked brilliantly in groups this week, assembling timelines.





# Performing Arts Summer School

**JOIN LAURA GALE DANCE & DRAMA'S TEAM OF PROFESSIONALLY TRAINED ARTISTS FOR A WEEK DEDICATED TO THE PERFORMING ARTS!**

Our team of professionally trained practitioners brings expertise across a wide range of dance styles, including Contemporary, Street, Commercial, and of course, Musical Theatre. Throughout the week, we also offer sessions in Singing, Acting, and Stagecraft, providing students with a well-rounded performing arts experience.



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**21ST - 25TH JULY 2025**

**BOOK ONLINE NOW - SPACES ARE LIMITED!**

 **Laura Gale**  
DANCE & DRAMA



We are urgently seeking enthusiastic volunteers to join our Cradley Cub Scouts team! As of Easter, there will only be one leader, which means that without additional support, Cradley Cub Scouts will not be able to run due to safeguarding rules. Ideally, we need one or more assistant leaders/volunteers to form a rota for the summer term. If you could spare some time on a Tuesday evening (6.30pm to 8pm), or know anyone who might be keen, please reach out to

Stuart (Cub Scout Leader) at 07775 697601 or email [rigmorroll@hotmail.com](mailto:rigmorroll@hotmail.com).

Your time and support will make a significant difference in the lives of our young Cub Scouts. Join us in creating memorable and enriching experiences for our Cub Scouts. Volunteering with us is not only enjoyable but also incredibly fulfilling. You will help organise activities, ensure safety, and support the Cub Scouts during meetings.

By volunteering, you will gain valuable experience, meet new people, and contribute to the community. If you'd like to have a look at the 1st Cradley Scout Group Facebook page, you can see what great evenings they have and how rewarding helping out is!



## **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.