



SPRING TERM
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CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents,

This week we have launched our positive playtimes initiative. We began the week by reminding everyone of the 3 Golden Rules of Cradley School:

Be ready

Be respectful

Be safe

and what these look like in practice on the playground.

We have introduced some new activities which have been very well received by all children. I have been amazed by the way all ages of children have played together, how they have shared and taken turns. We have had a wonderful week with everyone getting on, appropriate games being played and lots of happy, smiley positive children. We would still like some more resources especially for our loose parts area (tyres, wooden or plastic reels, guttering, crates etc).

This week has also been our Mult-cultural Week. We have explored dance, music, stories and significant people from other cultures around the world and their impact on our lives. Again, this has been very positive with visitors commenting on great behaviour and fantastic engagement. The mix up afternoons are always special with children from all ages working alongside each other showing care, kindness and support.

Next week is World Book Day. Children will be dressing up as their favourite characters and we have a Rainbow Reading Challenge to encourage children to read and be enthusiastic about the books they are reading. More information on Monday.

Have a great weekend everyone!

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



March

- 3 - Parents Evening for Oak Class
- 5 - Welcome Wednesday Birch Class
- 6 - World Book Day - dress as favourite character from a book
- 6 - Parents Evening for Oak Class
- 7 - Choir to HPA Festival
- 7 - Worcester Wolves game for Y4-6 (evening)
- 12 - Musical Concert for parents of those children learning instruments, 8.50am
- 19 - Collective Worship Oak Class
- 26 - Birch Class to MAD Museum (letter to follow)

April

- 3 - Y5/6 Football Tournament @ Wyeseide, Hereford

Music Lessons At Cradley

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



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT

elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com

Flute Lessons with Bea
Price

bpriceflute@gmail.com



Guitar Lessons with Tom
Doherty

tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk

Piano, clarinet, saxophone and singing -
Wednesday mornings

Flute - Wednesday afternoons

Guitar - Monday afternoons

Attendance

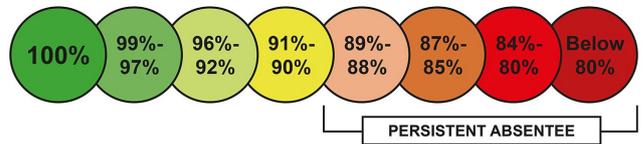


Well done to Maple Class who have had 96.97% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	96.97%	Whole school	90.65%
Sycamore Class	83.75%		
Birch Class	92.69%		
Oak Class	91.56%		

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

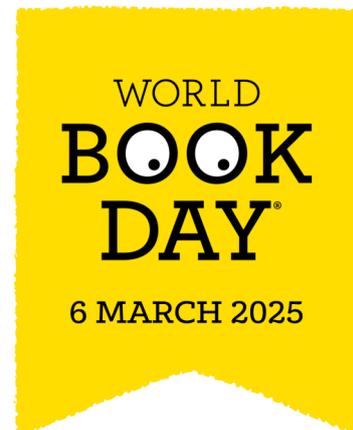
Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the following post:

After School Club Assistant

Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, 3.00-5.30pm starting asap.

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



World Book Day this year is on Thursday 6th March and we will be dressing up as our favourite book characters!

Please don't feel you need to spend lots on a costume, anything goes!

Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

News

We're fast approaching spring, and we have some upcoming events to watch out for. We're planning some small Easter events, and potentially a cinema night!

We're having another Marshmallow Friday (date tbc) during March.

WE NEED YOU! FoCS needs new people to join the committee. Specifically, from July we need a new treasurer. It's not as daunting as it sounds... it's mostly counting money and showing up at events. If you think you might be able to help, please get in touch to chat about the role and how we can arrange a soft takeover.



Please please please use easy fundraising! Your efforts last term earned us the most money yet, and it cost nothing except a few seconds to click 'make a donation'.

Every single penny we make is spent on your children.

Charlotte, Cass and Kirstie

Church 4 All

Why not come to celebrate St David's Day in church on Sunday?

You may be asked to be a sheep, a daffodil or a dragon - who knows?

Eryl Copp



Clubs

Below are the clubs that are running this half term.

Dance club is for the same children who have been attending this half-term as they are working towards a performance.

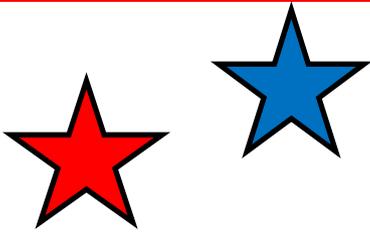
There will be no Football Club on 12th March.

Club	Day/Time	Years	Member of Staff
Science	Monday Lunchtime (max. 8 places)	Yrs 5-6	Mrs Jones
Community Champions	Monday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 4-6	Miss Guy
Tag Rugby	Monday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 5-6	Mr Clayton
Running	Tuesday Lunchtime (will need trainers)	Yrs 3-6	Miss Guy
Choir	Tuesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-6	Miss Hughes
Lego	Tuesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs R-3	Mrs Jones
Book Club	Wednesday Lunchtime (no need to book)	Yrs 3-6	Reading Rangers
Football	Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 5-6	JH Football Coaching
Netball	Wednesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-4	Ms Creek
Science	Thursday Lunchtime (max. 8 places)	Yrs 1-2	Mrs Jones
SATs Boosters	Thursday 3.15-4.00pm	Yr 6	Mr Probert
Gardening	Thursday 3.14-4.00pm	Yrs 4-5	Mrs Jones
Storytime	Friday Lunchtime (no need to book)	Yrs R-2	Reading Rangers
Multi-skills	Friday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 1-3	John Chidlow
Dance (working towards Moving Targets Festival at end of term)	Friday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-6	Mrs Theakston

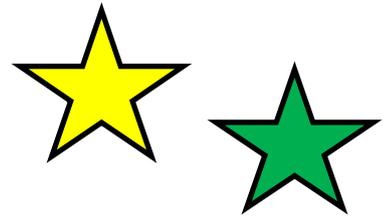
Multi-cultural Week

This week we have enjoyed Multi-cultural Week in school. On Tuesday we took part in a whole school dance workshop with Karina Gracia, on Wednesday we had a fun mix-up afternoon taking part in various activities, and on Thursday we loved our whole school samba drumming workshop!





WEEKLY AWARDS



HAZEL CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Betsy Robyn and Sebastian for a brilliant start at nursery.
MAPLE CLASS Friendship Award Star of the Week	Arthur Oskar for his positive attitude during the drumming workshop.
SYCAMORE CLASS Friendship Award Star of the Week	Ben C Imogen for showing resilience and perseverance with her letter and number formation.
BIRCH CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Cherish Lottie for having a positive attitude in class and being independent with her learning. Kenny for being so creative in his recent English work,
OAK CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Harry Nevaeh for her excellent effort in Maths. Thomas for his excellent effort in Maths and supporting others.
HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD	Frankie and Eli for being super helpful setting up new equipment for positive playtimes.

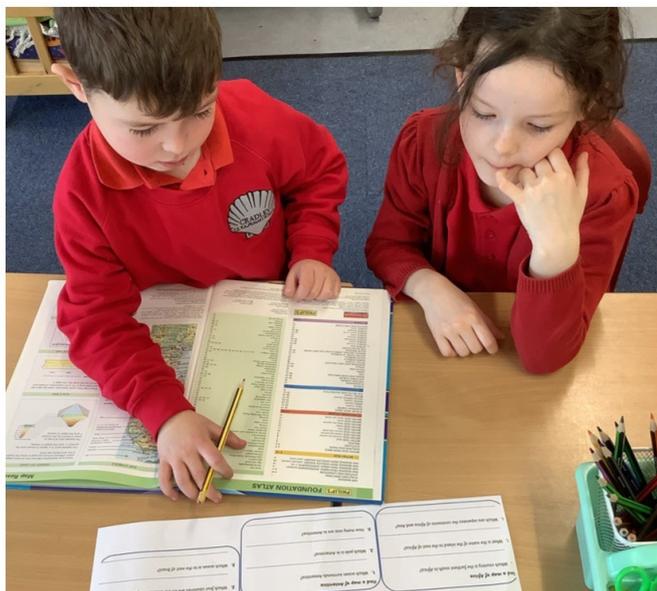


Hazel News

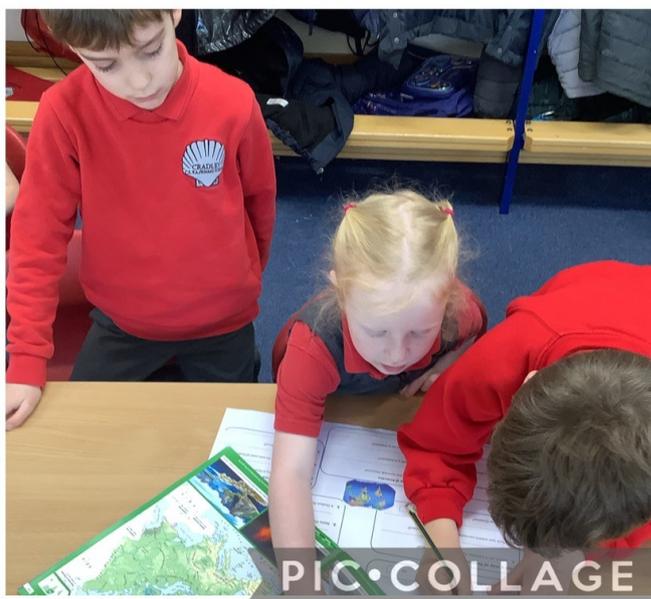


This week we have been starting to learn and find out more about dinosaurs. The children have enjoyed exploring the new 'Dinosaur Den' and have been working together and alone to complete different sized jigsaw puzzles. In the sensory tray, they have discovered a green, sticky swamp - home to the famous Tyrannosaurus Rex!!

Sycamore Class



Class 2 made a flying start on our 'Let's Explore the World' topic. We've been using Atlases and discovered different countries, oceans and seas.



Oak Class



Oak Class have had another busy week this week - they've danced, drummed, accomplished some tricky maths, had some deep and thought-provoking discussions in English, and enjoyed helping the younger children with activities.

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



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.

£2 entry
on the door!
No need to
book ahead

Malvern Hills



Our pop up shop is
back!

Childrens' toys
clothes and more!

Our last sale was our biggest yet! Super simple to sell, easy to browse, and all put together by our wonderful volunteers.



Saturday 15 March 2025



1:30pm - 3pm (1:15pm for NCT members)



St Edmund's Hall, Malvern College,
College Road, WR14 3DF
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Seller registration
now open!
Limited Spaces



Flamenco Dance Workshop

With

Karina Gracia

**Malvern
23rd February**

**Cecilia Hall
Dance Centre**

Beginners (no
experience required)
15.15- 16.25 £12/£15
Intermediate 16.30- 17.45
£15/£18
(Advance price/ on day)

Info/bookings:
07813990937



St David's Day Concert



Cradley Church

**Sunday 2nd March 2025
at 3pm**

**Worcester Male Voice Choir
Shelley Fairplay ~ Harpist**

Tickets £18.00

to include refreshments

Tickets available from:

Margaret. 01886 880529

margaret.edgar3@btinternet.com

Chris. 01886 884553

csroberts@talk21.com

Cradley Village Store



All proceeds will be shared equally between Church and Village Hall

**THE DOWNS
MALVERN**

**Visit us!
Open Day**

Saturday 1st March, 9.30am