



SPRING TERM

14 March 2025

CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Christian vision is based on a bible verse, Ephesians Chapter 2 V10, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Our Vision links us to the church in Cradley, named after St James who is the patron saint of pilgrims. We wear the symbol of pilgrimage on our uniform. The shell is the symbol of St. James and was the 'pilgrim badge' for those going on pilgrimage to the shrine of St. James at Compostela. Here at Cradley, we too are on a journey. The diverse adventures, opportunities and experiences we get along the way will help us to be the amazing beings that God created us to be.

We have amazing children here at Cradley and what is amazing for one child may be different for others. This was so evident in our musical concert on Wednesday where we had competent and talented musicians playing alongside children who have been learning for a few weeks.

Opportunities and experiences are in abundance from dance and drumming workshops, basketball matches, singing festivals to name just a few things we have done this half term. A huge thank you to parents who make these things possible, especially those who rallied round and gave lifts on Friday to Basketball and drove the choir children to the festival in Hereford.

Also a huge thanks to staff who often give their own time to attend such events.

Have a great weekend everyone.

God bless,

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH

HUMILITY

'Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.'

Ephesians 4:2



School Calendar



March

19 - Collective Worship Oak Class

26 - Birch Class to MAD Museum

April

3 - Y5/6 Football Tournament @ Wyeseide, Hereford

4 - Family Bingo 6.00pm for 6.30pm

9 - Moving Targets Performance for Dance Club

10 - Easter Service at Church 9.00am

11 - End of Term

29 - Summer Term starts

May

5 - Bank Holiday Monday

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

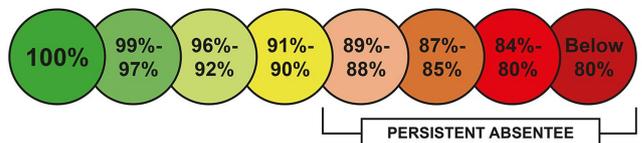


Well done to Oak Class who have had 95.77% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

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|----------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| Maple Class | 86.11% | Whole school | 92.59% |
| Sycamore Class | 95.0% | | |
| Birch Class | 94.23% | | |
| Oak Class | 95.77% | | |

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?



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Arriving late can affect your child's attendance

Every minute counts



Lateness = lost learning

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

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|--------------------------|---------------|
| 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 everyone for continuing to support FoCS. It really is a team effort and whether you spend time, money or both, it is very much appreciated. That said, we do need some extra help on the committee and with running events.

If you are able to help at all please speak to one of the team, or Jane in the office, and get yourself added to the WhatsApp group to keep up to date.



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Easter Bingo



Friday 4th April

At Cradley Primary School

Lots of prizes Fun for the whole family



Doors open 6.00pm
Eyes down 6.30pm



Adults £5 Children £2
to include books for 10 games
Plus raffle

Bar and Tuck shop available
In aid for FOCS Funds

Coming up on 4th April, there's a bingo night which has always been so much fun in the past. FoCS are providing refreshments.

Plans for the Easter colouring competition are coming along, with many businesses being asked for donations of Easter eggs.

Easy fundraising continues to be an easy source of income for us too. It literally costs you nothing, so please sign up if you haven't already, and when you shop online, many businesses give us a small percentage.

In addition, many businesses give 'flash donations', for example, this month, TUI are giving £100 for booking a holiday through them, and M&S are offering a massive 9% on purchases.



Kirstie, Cass and Charlotte.

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 Netball club on 19th March.

There will be no Gardening club on 20th 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 |

Easter

14 - 17 April 2025

22 - 25 April 2025

Holiday Club

**At Cradley CE Primary School
WR13 5NG**

**Booking is
now open!**

Session Times & Costs

9am - 1pm £17

9am - 3pm £25

8am - 5pm £30

Easter

- ♦ Woodland School
- ♦ Easter egg hunt
- ♦ Easter crafts
- ♦ Baking activities
- ♦ Lots of other fun activities to be confirmed

Breakfast (8am-5pm session) and healthy snacks are provided.

Hot Lunch option is available (£2.40) or children must bring their own packed lunch.

For more information please email

**lsmith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk
FAO Lauren**

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

Booking and payment must be made in advance


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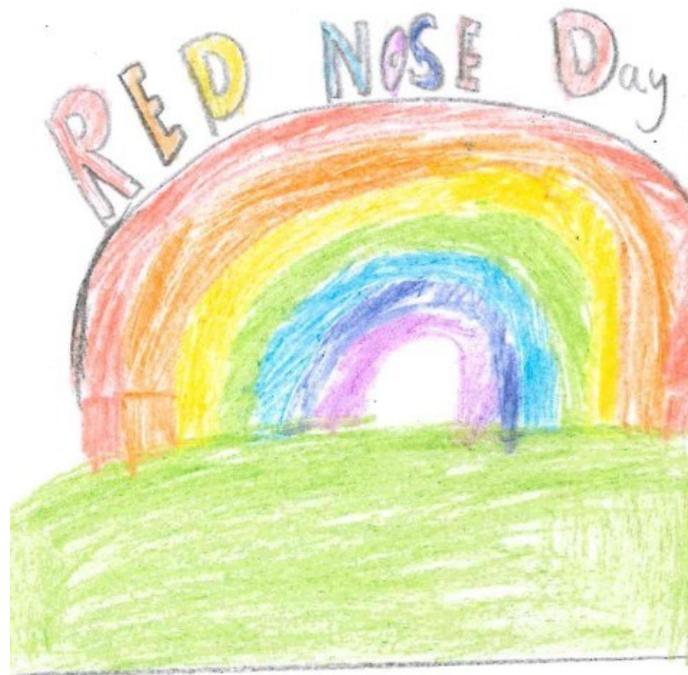
Worcester Wolves Match

A group of KS2 children had a brilliant time at the basketball last Friday night - Worcester won and they got to meet the team afterwards!



Friday 21 March 2025

**RED
NOSE
DAY**



The Fabulous Cake Sale
Bring Cakes on the 20th and
21st March



Please bring money to
support a good cause on
the 21st of March.
Cake Sale at 3.15 PM

Break The Rules

Rules To break:

Wear Trainers
Squash in your bottle
any snack
bring a soft toy
wear Jewellery



This Years Noses

Tick the boxes on the
leaflet and bring the
money on the 21st of
March with the rules you
also wanted to break



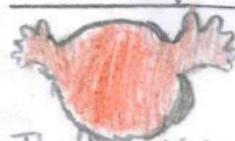
The 80's
Nose



The Nought's
Nose



The Ruby Nose



The Ugly Nose



The Grimy
Nose



The Curly No

Musical Concert



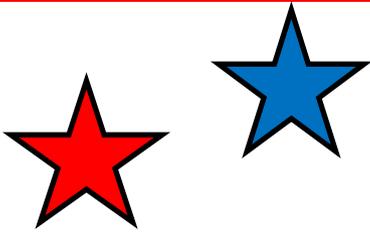
I was lucky to be at the music concert this week. It was such a treat to watch and listen to the children. Budding talents indeed.

We have amazing pianists, flautists, saxophone and clarinet players, guitarists and a singer. All played and sung with confidence. Well done children.

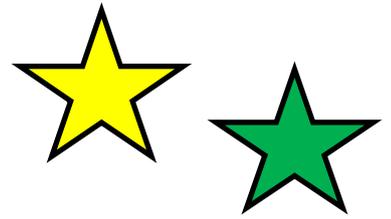
Not only did they show individual skill but they supported each other. They clearly showed the values that the school upholds.

Eryl Copp, Chair of Governors





WEEKLY AWARDS



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| HAZEL CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week | Blake Harriet for her wonderful counting at circle time. Ivy for knowing what to do during our fire practice. |
| MAPLE CLASS Friendship Award Star of the Week | Innis George for showing resilience during cricket. |
| SYCAMORE CLASS Friendship Award Star of the Week | Jack and Hatty Freddie for his amazing progress in writing. |
| BIRCH CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week | Rory Emily for independently wanting to help others with their work. Stan for always being independent with his work and reflecting upon it. |
| OAK CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week | Harvey Neve and Rowan for being highly focussed on their learning and contributing effectively in lessons. |
| HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD | All of the children who took part in the music concert on Wednesday for being brave and supporting each other so well. |



Hazel News



Ball Skills



PIC•COLLAGE

Over the past few weeks the nursery children have been practising their ball skills in PE. They have been learning to roll and throw to a friend, as well as working on catching a ball using both hands. Throughout the term we will be looking at continuing to practise these skills as well as having a go at aiming for targets and scoring goals.

Maple Class

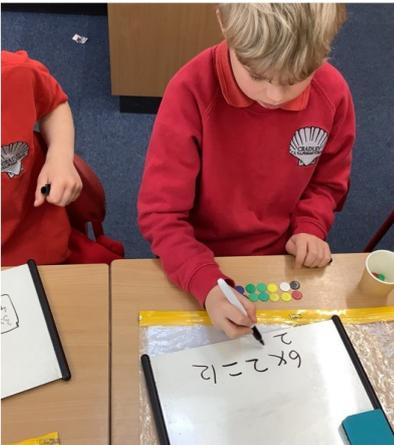
Maple Class showed amazing cricket skills this week!



Sycamore Class



Class 2 have made a great start with their multiplication and division unit in Maths. They have been exploring arrays and finding out about the commutative rule.



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Birch Class

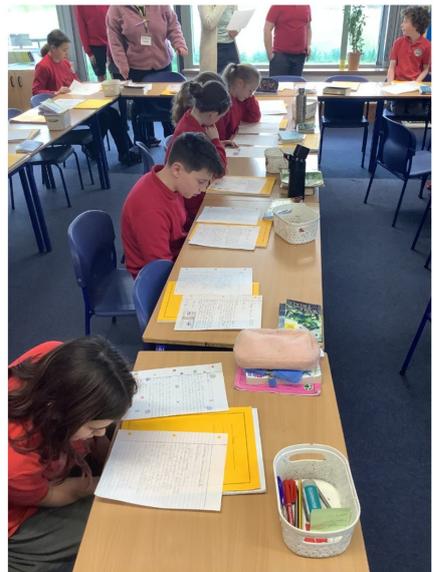


This week Birch Class have had another busy week! They've been working with levers, and composing their own music to sound like an earthquake!



Oak Class

Oak Class have been enjoying Forest School this term! They also received their first penpal letters this week from children in Miss Tuckwood's new school in Texas, which caused much excitement!





GIRLS DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

We're looking for future Lionesses to join our fun & friendly training sessions. Girls of all abilities are welcome to learn new skills, make friends and have fun!



AGES 7 - 12 (SCHOOL YEARS 3 - 8)



EVERY WEDNESDAY 17:30 - 18:30



MALVERN TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB, WR14 2EQ

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LBBFCRANGERS@GMAIL.COM

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HEREFORD. HR4 0TN 9-3PM**



Scouts 1st Cradley

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.

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!

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.