



AUTUMN TERM

CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great start to the beginning of term with everyone really focussed and working hard. Our new phonics scheme has been rolled out across Early Years and Key Stage One now and it was lovely to see lots of mums and dads on the Phonics Teams meeting yesterday. We are looking into providing other opportunities to share information about teaching and learning, e-safety and SEND. If you have any suggestions of topics you would be interested in knowing more about, please let me know.

We know that the best way to help children flourish is by working in partnership with you, their families. After all, you know your children better than anyone else! When we share ideas, celebrate milestones together, and keep each other updated, your child gets the benefit of feeling supported in every part of their world — at home and here with us.

Parent partnership can be as simple as:

- ◆ Having a quick chat at drop-off or pick-up.
- ◆ Sharing special moments or new skills from home and at after school activities.
- ◆ Working together on ways to support learning and behaviour.
- ◆ Joining in with events, workshops, or celebrations.

Children feel most confident when they see their parents and teachers working as a team. Thank you for everything you do to support your child's journey with us — it really does make a difference!

Have a great weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs Jones



VALUE OF THE MONTH

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"God is faithful, by whom you were called into the Fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."

1 Corinthians 1:9

Car Park Safety

Last week we had a near-miss when two children ran behind a member of staff's car as they began reversing out of the carpark. Please do not park in the school carpark, stand in the carpark to collect children or walk them through it at anytime.

Thank you.

School Calendar



September

- 16 - Y5 orienteering @ Eastnor Castle
- 23 - Maple Class Open Classroom
- 23 - Scholastic Book Fair arrives until 29th
- 25 - Whole School Nasal Flu Immunisations

October

- 1 - Maple and Sycamore Classes to Hartlebury Castle
- 7 - Harvest Festival @ Church, 9.00am
- 8 - Rags to Riches Collection of clothing no longer needed
- 9 - School Photos
- 13-24 - Y3/4 Swimming every afternoon
- 14 - Sycamore Class Open Classroom

Music Lessons At Cradley

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



**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT**

elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com



Guitar & Ukelele Lessons
with Tom Doherty
tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk

Mrs Bennett now also teaches flute.

Piano, clarinet, flute, saxophone and
singing - Wednesday

Guitar and ukelele - Monday and
Tuesday



Attendance

Well done to Maple and Sycamore Classes who have had 100% attendance this 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 100%

Whole school 98.43%

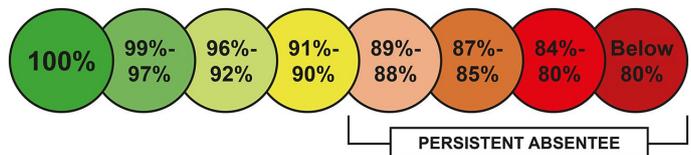
Sycamore Class 100%

Birch Class 97.89%

Oak Class 95.83%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

School Lunches

Please see the menu for this term below. Orders must be placed for the week by midnight on the Wednesday before. Please order on Arbor.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	W/C
WEEK 1	Ham & Pineapple Croquette Potatoes Peas	Chicken Meatballs Penne Pasta in Tomato Sauce Sweetcorn	Fish Cakes Hash Browns Spaghetti Hoops	Cottage Pie Broccoli & Carrots Gravy	Hot Dogs Salad Bar Baked Beans	03/09/2025 22/09/2025 13/10/2025 10/11/2025 01/12/2025
VEGGIE:	*** Cheese Omelette	*** Meat Free Veggie Meatballs	*** Meat Free Sausage Rolls	*** Quorn Cottage Pie	*** Veggie Hot Dog	
PUDDING:	Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce	Fruit Salad Fruit Yoghurts	Apple Crumble & Custard	Banana Cake	Fruit Jellies	
WEEK 2	Lasagne Garlic Bread Salad Bar	Chicken Burger Potato Wedges Salad Bar	Oven Baked Fish Croquettes Peas	Sausages Roast Potatoes Carrots, Broccoli Gravy	Margherita Pizza Salad Bar Baked Beans	08/09/2025 29/09/2025 20/10/2025 17/11/2025 08/12/2025
VEGGIE:	*** Veggie Lasagne	*** Veggie Burger	*** Cheese & Onion Quiche	*** Veggie Sausages	*** Margherita Pizza	
PUDDING:	Flavoured Mousse	Lemon Sponge & Custard	Sticky Toffee Pudding & Toffee Sauce	Flapjack	Fruit Salad Fruit Yoghurts	
WEEK 3	Mild Chilli Con Carne Taco Shells Rice Sweetcorn ***	Jacket Potato Day Cheese, Baked Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise Salad Bar	Fish Fingers Hash Browns Peas	Italian Pasta Bake Sweetcorn Garlic Bread	Hot Dogs Salad Bar Baked Beans	15/09/2025 06/10/2025 04/11/2025 24/11/2025 15/12/2025
VEGGIE:	*** Veggie Mild Chilli Con Carne		*** Veggie Fingers		*** Veggie Hot Dog	
PUDDING:	Chocolate Brownie	Jam Tart & Custard	Ice Cream	Fairy Cakes	Fruit Fruit Yoghurts	

ALSO: JACKET POTATOES WILL BE AVAILABLE EVERY DAY WITH A CHOICE OF CHEESE, BAKED BEANS OR TUNA & MAYONNAISE. FRESHLY MADE BAGUETTES WITH A CHOICE OF HAM, CHEESE, OR TUNA MAYONNAISE. SALAD BAR AVAILABLE. FRESH FRUIT ALWAYS AVAILABLE.

Clubs

Below are the clubs that are available this term. Please sign your child up on Arbor by Sunday 14 September.

Club	Day/Time	Years	Member of Staff
Lego	Monday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 1-3	Mrs Jones
Tag Rugby (After Oct half-term)	Monday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 4-6	Mr Clayton
Running	Tuesday Lunchtime	Yrs 4-6	Miss Guy
Debating	Tuesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 4-6	Mr Probert
Netball	Wednesday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 1-3	Ms Creek
Football	Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 4-6	JH Football Coaching
Choir (Starts 25 th Sept)	Thursday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 3-6	Miss Hughes
Mini Football	Friday 3.15-4.00pm	Yrs 1-3	Mrs Theakston
Netball	Friday 3.15-4.15pm	Yrs 4-6	Play Netball Coaches

Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

News

Keep your eyes peeled for details on our AGM in a few weeks. Details will be provided closer to the time and we welcome anyone associated with the school as a parent, carer or teacher to join.

For those of you new to the school, the FoCS team is committed to raising money to spend on enriching our children's education. We raise money through partnerships, and by arranging fun events for the children to take part in. For example, every year we have a disco and a summer fair, and some smaller events such as colouring competitions.

Last year we contributed to the cost of school trips, new nursery equipment, and a class set of new laptops.

Please consider using Easy Fundraising when you shop online - scan the QR code and we'll receive a small percentage for every online transaction with selected retailers.



Thanks, and watch this space...

The FoCS team, Charlotte, Cass and Verity.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Reception admissions for 2026-2027

Do you have a child born between
1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022

If so you will need to apply for a school place
by 15 January 2026
(to commence September 2026)

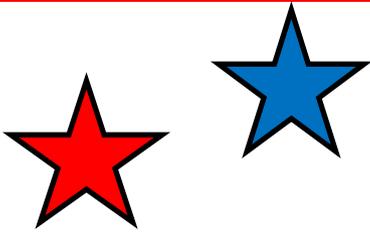
Applications can be completed from
15 September 2025 online
(scan QR code) or visit:



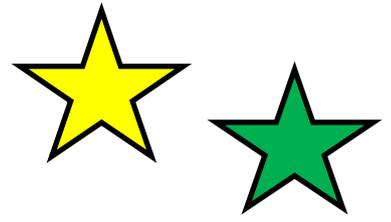
www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions

Please note: a place at a nursery does not
guarantee a place at the associated primary
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or
schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk



WEEKLY AWARDS



HAZEL CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Otto Bee for a brilliant first week in nursery! Olly for a brilliant first week in nursery!
MAPLE CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Harriet Ivy for having such a positive attitude to learning since starting school. Reuben for his brilliant ideas during whole class discussions.
SYCAMORE CLASS Friendship Award Star of the Week	Jesse L Ruby for her fluency in reading and her phonics progression.
BIRCH CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Lottie Freddie for his positive attitude across all subjects. Owen for his independence in lessons and taking pride in his work.
OAK CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Arian Hudson for his passion and enthusiasm for our history unit. James for his dedication to learning and enthusiasm for maths, in particular.
HEAD TEACHER AWARD	Innis and Ayvah for showing care and kindness to reception children, playing with them in the playground and helping to take them to the classroom.



The Three Little Pigs 🐷🐷🐷



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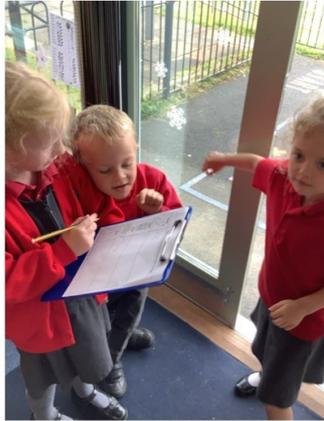
Our story this week has been 'The Three Little Pigs' and the children have enjoyed taking part in a number of different activities related to the story. They have been working together, using the foam bricks to build houses and have enjoyed getting very messy in the gloopy mud mixture! We have been using our problem solving skills to build houses for the little pigs using straw, sticks and wooden blocks - hoping that the big bad wolf wouldn't blow them down. Our creative skills have been shown with painting pictures and using icing and marshmallows to decorate biscuits.

Maple Class

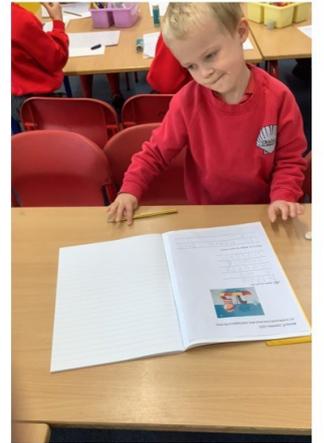
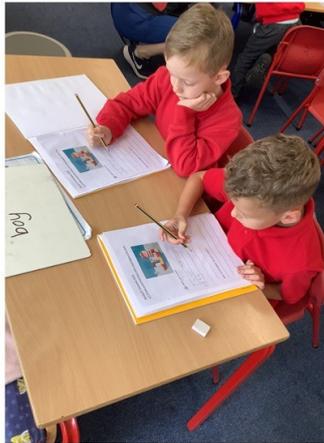
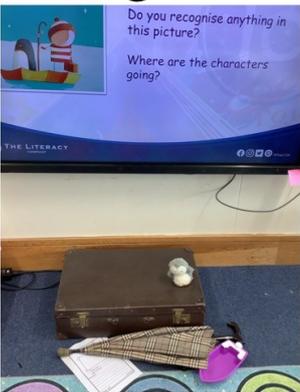


Sycamore Class

Science



English



Maths



Birch Class

This week Birch class have been busy exploring what materials are used to create different types of packaging.



Oak Class



Oak Class have been baking bread in DT and dancing to The Greatest Showman music this week!





Leigh & Bransford Badgers Roma U8's 2025/26 Season

PLAYERS WANTED!

We are on the lookout for several new players to join our established 2025/26 under 8's Leigh & Bransford Badgers Roma boys football team.

Looking for players (any position) with a desire to learn and help the team.

Currently training every Wednesday evening in Leigh Sinton. Monday nights at Malvern Town FC in the autumn/winter.

Members of the Mercian Junior Football League with matches on a Saturday morning.

We have a great bunch of boys and parents, and we would love to hear from you!

Contact Mark Fowles on 07734 189215 for more information

TAG RUGBY

- For girls and boys in Reception (from 4 ½ years) and Years 1-3
- Training every Sunday between 10am - 11:30am throughout the season

JOIN NOW ✉ mjdir@ledburyrfc.co.uk
☎ 07747 018144 (Bruce Allcock)



Breadmaking Afternoon

Saturday October 4th @ Cradley Church

2.30 - 3.30 (ish)

Come and join us making a Harvest Loaf and bread rolls to share at the Harvest Service on Sunday 5th October at 10.45, which will be followed by a Harvest Lunch

If you can't come on Sunday we will try to get a bread roll to you, once it's cooked

FREE ENTRY!

(donations towards the upkeep of the church welcome)

Refreshments included

All very welcome

Accompanied children

Herefordshire and Worcestershire Earth Heritage Trust will be running a family fossil hunting trip into Whitmans Hill Quarry near Storrige on Saturday 20 September 2025 starting at 10.00am.

We are meeting up at Storrige Parish Hall WR13 5EY which is located on the junction of A4103 and B4219 around 9.45am on Saturday and will last a couple of hours.

Please note there is limited car parking so pre booking is essential for cars.

There will be a display of fossil from the site along with some fossils for sale and fossil boxes for schools in the hall.

Hard hats and high vis are needed for the children, but will have some spares if needed.

Trip cost is £5 per car, or £2 per person if not parking (minimum age 6 for children due to insurance). Cost covers hire of the hall and any surplus will go to the fossil boxes for schools project details here <https://earthheritagetrust.org/fossils>

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<https://earthheritagetrust.org/whitmans-hill>

OCTOBER HALF TERM INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Our intensive lessons are perfect for children aged 4+ who are new to lessons, or children on our Learn to Swim programme wanting to progress to the next stage.

Designed to help build confidence, improve technique, and have fun, all in just 4 sessions!

Book before
26th October
**GET 50%
OFF!**

**Get 50% OFF your
booking – only £15.75
total for 4 lessons!**

That's just £3.94 per session!*

To view days and times visit
www.haloleisure.org.uk/whats-on

Limited spots – don't miss out!
Call us on **01432 842075**, or pop in
to your local pool to secure your child's place.

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