

CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 28th April 2017

Welcome Back

We hope that you all had a very restful break and we welcome you all back to what promises to be a very busy Summer term, with many trips and exciting experiences planned for the children. We are really looking forward to the rewards and challenges that the summer brings, culminating in the KS2 play. Please remember that next Monday is a Bank Holiday.

The School Spring Show Garden

Work has begun on measuring the garden at the showground. Groups of children from KS2 will be attending the build-up over the next couple of weeks, and those who volunteered to talk to members of the public will be attending the show. Our astronaut and propagation unit are nearly completed and the plants are growing well.



Open the Book

This week Class Three led collective worship with the 'Open the book' team. We heard the story of the 'Happy Day', when Jesus' friends arrived at the tomb to discover that Jesus was no longer there. Children played the parts of the women who came to the tomb on Easter Sunday, the angel who told them that their Lord was no longer there and the risen Jesus.



Water Bottles

Children are expected to have a water bottle with them every day. Please ensure that your child has a bottle and that it is clearly labelled with their name. This is especially important as the weather gets warmer.

SATS Week

Just a reminder that SATS week for our Year 6 children is the week commencing 8th May.

Curriculum Newsletters

You should all be receiving your curriculum newsletters for the Summer term in your bags today. Copies will also be placed on the school website shortly.

Clubs Letter

You should all have received your club letters for the Summer term. Please return asap to secure your place on the club. Please remember that if your child is going to go into After School Club from 4pm then you will need to book the appropriate slots in advance. **Clubs will start on Tuesday 2nd May, not the 9th as stated on the letter.**

Parents Survey

Last term the Children, Families and Communities Committee, which is made up of a small group of school Governors, analysed the parents survey completed just before Christmas. We were very pleased with the outcome of the survey, with some areas identified for further development.

We have chosen two areas to work on first. One is helping you to get to know and understand the role of the Governors here at school and another is how we can improve and promote health eating across school.

We shall soon be reviewing the School Food Policy and also reviewing the dessert choices with our lunch provider. We are looking at ways of raising the profile of our school Governors and will be introducing a pen portrait into the school newsletter of one Governor on a regular basis. Please remember that there is information about the school Governors on the school website. D Jones

Online Bookings

We have had one or two teething problems, but we are really pleased with the positive feedback from parents and the simplicity of the system. Please remember that you need to book **all** lunches, Breakfast Club and After School Club online. We will not be accepting booking via home liaison books, telephone or in person unless in an absolute emergency. Bookings will close at midnight of the day before. You will not just be able to turn up to Breakfast Club or After School Club. Thank you.

John Masfield Open Mornings

John Masfield High School Summer Term Open Morning
Guided Tours of the School by Senior Leadership Team
Tuesday 2 May 2017

9.15-10.45am (please arrive after 9am to sign in, ready for a 9.15am tour)

Nursery

The children have embarked on a quest this week, to become fully trained knights. Each day, they have completed challenges to step closer to their goal. On Monday, we used shapes to decorate a shield, and then opened the iPads to print off a special animal as their emblem. On Tuesday, we posed in our home made crowns and helmets for a knightly photo call. A phonics dragon popped up to see us too. The next quest, we climbed on hobby horses on Wednesday during P.E. We cantered to put treasure in the dragon's mouth then counted it all out. Princess Charlie popped in numerous times and inspired the children to write her letters and draw her pictures. We could not believe our eyes when we discovered frozen eggs in a nest at Forest School on Friday. We used warm water to melt and release them. The children came up with names and characters for each dragon. If you had visited Forest School, you might have seen the children using a bow and arrow too. I must mention, we have also been learning new funny songs, one that gets us moving and another finger gym song about dragons of course! Next week,

expect more challenges and we have to get down to planning our banquet.



Class 1

Welcome back to everyone. Hope you have all had a restful Easter. This week, Class 1 has started to research our new topic on The Great Fire of London. We have a list of questions we want answered by the end of the term! More detail about what we are covering this term is on the Class 1 Curriculum Newsletter out this week. Our outdoor area is ready for planting and nurturing which we plan to finish by next week. We will be putting in a few new resources, leading to lots of outdoor learning. In PE we have Superstars and coaches from the FA joining us for this half of the term and we all enjoyed our first football coaching session on Wednesday afternoon. Preparations for the Malvern Spring Show school garden are underway as we are busy bees making robotic pollinators to buzz around the garden in a drone like fashion. Lots of exciting things coming up.



Class 2

We welcomed Mr Hall back to Class 2 this week. He is our 2nd Year student from the University of Worcester. Mr Hall has already settled straight back into class and has led some of our English and maths lessons. This week in Class 2 we have been working on our Talk for Writing topic which is a story called 'The Greedy Fox'. We have learned about using commas in lists as well as settings and using exclamation marks. Next week, we will be setting our story in Tudor London, making use of our knowledge of the city at that time from our topic 'The Great Fire of London'. We were very excited to meet our astronaut for the first time on Wednesday. We

designed her with Mr Hughes, and the children provided all of the materials to build her. She has been named Luna and will be on display in the school garden at Malvern.



Class 3

Class 3 started the week with a cold writing task where they wrote a diary entry about one of the days in the Easter holiday. We will be covering 'diary entries' in our English this term and will write another entry in a different context once we have completed a unit of work on this genre. In maths we have been working on place value and using it to add, subtract and continue number sequences. We have been practicing for our class collective worship, parents are invited to join us on Wednesday 3rd May. In PE we practiced throwing and catching skills ready for cricket coaching which starts next week. In RE we started a unit on the Bible and in French today we have made and eaten crepes. Tres bon!

Class 4

What a fantastic first week back. Class 4 have begun our book focus "FARThER" by Grahame Baker-Smith, looking at dreams and deducing information about a text. In maths we having revised our knowledge of place value and learned about Roman numerals. In the afternoons we have started our tennis sessions with a coach from Mathon Tennis Club, learned about Blackbeard the pirate, studied Banksy's work, created our own graffiti tag online and developed our programming knowledge

Class 5

This week we have begun to write the story of 'The Chimney Girl' based upon our class text, 'The Arrival'. We are really enjoying the book which has no text but some wonderfully evocative picture which have inspired our writing. In science we learned about the work of scientist Carl Linnaeus and had fun thinking up Latin names for some very weird-looking animals and plants! It was also great to begin working in Forest School once again. We have, of course, continued with our SATS revision in maths and literacy too!



Value of the Month

REVERENCE Hebrews 12:28

Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe.

Chosen by the Teaching staff

Stars of the Week

Nursery Evie Pinchbeck for being independent

Harry Pursar for working co-operatively

Class 1 Isla-Mai Robertson for being brave

Jacob Mifflin for his positive attitude towards reading

Class 2 Miah Heard for independence

Henry Jackson for taking pride in his work

Class 3 Sapphire Dakers for independence

Liam Milner for taking pride in his work

Class 4 Fin Greaves for having a positive attitude

Connor Hewitt for being reflective in his work

Class 5 Bradley Canning for being persistent in his work

Maksim Rumjancevs for taking pride in his work

Dates for the Future

MAY	REVERENCE
1 st	Bank Holiday
2 nd	John Masefield Open Morning
3 rd	Class 3 Collective Worship: 8:55 am Parents Welcome
5 th	Yr 3/4 Tennis @ JMHS
8 th	SATS Week
	Malvern Show Build Up
11 th -14 th	Malvern Spring Show
20 th	FOCS Family Skittles Night @ The Legion
23 rd	Sports Day
24 th	FOCS Rags to Riches Collection
26 th	Class 4 and Class 5 Bellboating trip
	Break up

JUNE	WISDOM
5 th	Start of Term
	Rounders Tournament @ JMHS
6 th	Cricket Tournament pm
8 th	JMHS Information Evening for Yr 5 pupils
9 th	KS1 Summer Festival @ JMHS
12 th	Start of Workshops @ JMHS
13 th	KS2 Golf @ JMHS
14 th	Janden Trophy Athletics @ JMHS
15 th	Girls Cricket Tournament
16 th	Rounders Tournament @ Dysons
17 th	FOCS Family Camping
20 th	Lifepath for KS2
21 st	Class 2 Collective Worship 8:55am Parents Welcome
22 nd	JMHS Info Evening for Year 6 Parents
24 th	FOCS Fashion Show/Clothes Sale
29 th	Bellboating Regatta
30 th	Yr5 Taster Day @ JMHS

JULY	CREATION
6 th	Pass Up Day
7 th	Play Dress rehearsal
10 th	Play to school pm
11 th	Play 6pm
12 th	Play 6pm
13 th	Nursery Leavers Ceremony
	Teddy Bears Picnic
14 th	FOCS Summer Fete
17 th	School hike
19 th	Leavers Rounders
20 th	Break up