

Parent Evenings

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Parents Evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday. They are a very valuable opportunity to strengthen the school and family partnership in ensuring the best possible outcomes for your children.

Clubs next half term

Just a reminder that after half term, Wednesday night dance is now Years 5/6 and Thursday's Superstars is Years 3/4.

Parents Survey

Thank you for all the responses to the Parents Survey that we carried out just before Christmas. They have been collated and are now with the Governor Committees, who will analyse the results. We will keep you informed of their findings.

Netball Matches

On Tuesday 7th February the netball team played two matches against Ledbury and Eastnor. The first match was against a strong Eastnor team who ran out 7-1 winners, with George scoring for Cradley. Against Ledbury the team started slowly, but they fought hard to run out 6-3 winners, with goals from Emily, Sadie, George and Libby. The team were; George, Sadie, Lucy, Emily, Libby and Lydia

Homework

We have noticed over the last few weeks that there are a number of children who are not completing the homework set for them. Homework is not optional. We have statistical evidence that shows that the children who don't do their homework or read at home are the children who make slower progress than others. After half term, those children who have not handed in their homework will be working with Mr Greaves on Friday lunchtimes.

World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 2nd March. It's the day to come dressed as your favourite book character. Please bring a copy of the book your character appears in please.

Mad Science

The last week of the Mad Science club will be on Wednesday 22nd February - not 15th February as initially stated on the booking form. This is due to our half-term being different to some other authorities.

Hoodies

We have recently purchased Cradley hoodies for the sports teams' use during fixtures and tournaments. A number of parents have expressed an interest in purchasing these for use as a jumper for PE, especially during these colder months. We are interested in parents' views about this; if you would be interested in purchasing a Cradley hoodie, please could you let me or Mrs Booth know. If there is enough interest - or if people feel that it's a good idea - then we can add it to the uniform list.

Nursery

Nursery was turned into a Post Office this week. The children have had fun writing letters, postcards and cards to people that they love. They have been learning about why we pop a stamp on our letter and picking different places to send them to. There has been a lot of love and kindness in Nursery this week too. We have made

special Valentine cards for people we love and had special circle times waving at all our friends. Our PE session on Wednesday was rather fun; we did yoga stretches to warm up, and then played parachute games. The children listened brilliantly to instructions, but boy did we giggle. We are proud to say that our new 'Nursery Library' is open. The children have taken their first books home in their new book bags and we hope they have had fun sharing them with family and their book buddy too. Finally, with much sadness we are saying goodbye to the amazing Julia. She has covered a maternity placement for us and been a brilliant and inspiring member of the Nursery team. Please remember that you are always welcome to pop in for a coffee and to read stories Julia. We will miss your talent and kindness every day. We wish you well in your next adventure.



Class 1

This week in Class 1 we have been looking at fiction and non-fiction books, as well as limericks. We have chosen our story for our Class 1 Collective Worship in March, which we hope all our Moms and Dads can come and watch. We have been practising telling the story to each other, ready to act it out after half term. In Maths we have been investigating ways of making ten and have been writing number sentences to match our practical activities. The Year 1's have been looking at number bonds to twenty. In PE we have been mapping out the continents using our bodies as well as finding new and interesting ways to move safely around the hall. We have been practising our pivoting skills by playing our compass game. We are really looking forward to Miss Rooke, from Superstars, teaching us gymnastics next half term. We hope Parents' Evenings were helpful and informative and that the targets set can be met through support with homework as well as work we do in class. Have a good rest over half term, We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Class 2

This week we have been preparing to write a newspaper report about The Great Fire of London. We looked at some features of newspaper reports and read a report about Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We also had a go at writing our own version. In our topic lessons we made collages of timber-framed buildings which we are going to use in Lego Movies about the events. In maths we have been doing lots of grouping and drawing maths stories about multiplying and dividing.

Class 3

This week in Class Three we have found out how different types of mountains are formed. We did this by using practical and scientific activities to show what happens when tectonic plates collide. We even made a volcanic eruption using vinegar and bicarbonate soda. In Maths this week we have been weighing and measuring and then converting centimetres to metres and grams to kilograms. In English we have been learning about expanded noun phrases and prepositional phrases to improve our descriptive writing in traditional tales. In PSHE we talked about how words can hurt just as much as physical harm and like a bruise on an apple you cannot see the damage that has been done and that it will not go away. We had great fun in PE with Miss Rooke playing a game of Netball

Class 4

Class 4 have been very busy in English working on their diary entries based on being trapped in a graveyard. In Maths this week, we have been developing our knowledge of converting measurements and calculating the volume of 3D shapes. We have been learning about fixed and growth mindsets, and have created posters to encourage our classmates. In Forest School we have been using the knowledge our visiting archaeologist gave us: we have been trying our hand at flint knapping and using these scrapers to carve into wood. We also created pictures and retold stories of items we found during a Forest School Scavenger hunt. We cooked smores on the fire which were a great success. In our topic lessons we have been looking at different map symbols and have planned a piece of drama that provides information about the Bronze Age.

Class 5

This week we have completed our explanation texts on why and how we should save the Black Rhino. We have also worked hard on our half-termly reading and maths assessments. In topic we began looking closely at the first cities built in Mesopotamia, and in science we began looking at inherited characteristics. We began a unit on e-safety by acting out a sketch called 'This is your internet!'

Stars of the Week

Nursery Julia Ralph for being brilliant

Rory Taylor for taking a risk

Hugo Seldon for being persistent

Class 1 Millie Elliot-Roberts for being reflective

Daisy Green for displaying all seven learning behaviours

Class 2 Sian Smith for being independent

Kyle Plant for positive thinking

Class 3 Toby Cooper for being independent

Rupert Brooks for taking a risk

Class 4 Oscar Robertson for positive thinking

Abi Philpotts for being reflective

Scarlett Pritchard for taking pride in her work

Connor Hewitt for being independent

Class 5 Henry Adams and Ruby Belgard for being reflective

Lucy Lightwood and Lydia Thorne for being independent

Value of the Month

LOVE

Luke 6:35

Love your enemies and do good to them; lend and expect nothing back. You will then have a great reward and you will be sons of the most high God.

Chosen by Scarlett, Darcey and Meryl

Dates for the Future

FEBRUARY LOVE

20th Term Starts

21st Class 4 trip to British Camp

22nd Net and Wall Extravaganza @JMHS

25th FOCs Pamper Evening

27th Big Write Week

MARCH HUMILITY

2nd World Book Day

3rd Multiskills Festival @ Dysons

8th Class 1 Collective Worship: Parents Welcome

9th Yr1/2 Football Tournament @JMHS

13th Science Week

21st Yr 5 Maths Tournament @ JMHS

23rd Pyramid Prom 18:30 @ JMHS

24th Red Nose Day

FOCS Disco

27th Herefordshire Festival Week

Dance Festival Week

30th Yr 3/4 Football @ JMHS

APRIL TRUST

1st FOCs Junk Modelling

3rd FOCs Easter Egg Competition

6th Easter Service

7th End of Term

17th onwards Cradley Players perform "The Wizard of Oz" in the school hall

24th Start of Term

28th FOCs Wine Tasting

MAY REVERENCE

1st Bank Holiday

2nd John Masfield Open Morning

3rd Class 3 Collective Worship: Parents Welcome

KS1 Dance Festival @ JMHS

8th SATS Week

Malvern Show Build Up

11th-14th Malvern Spring Show

23rd Sports Day

26th Break up