

CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 19th May 2017

The School Spring Show Garden

What a successful weekend! It was truly magical to be part of this whole experience. We started with over 100 designs from the children, through all the learning and making in classes to the final speaking to the members of the public. It has really proved again to be a fantastic learning journey for the children and the staff. We are so proud of all the children who manned the garden over the weekend. The comments written in the visitor book are wonderful and inspiring.

"Blown away by this - what a brilliant whole school project, and amazing to tie it in with your curriculum. So impressed" Susan A, Cheltenham

"Most imaginative! It is carefully and cleverly assembled. We were delighted to have Tilly describe everything to us so clearly and politely. Well done" John and Diane, Cumbria

"Congratulations winning first prize, you have all worked so hard to produce an excellent garden to convey the subject. Keep gardening". C. Havant Hampshire

Mark Sanderson from Herefordshire Computing Support produced a short video of the garden on Saturday - link is:

<https://herefordshirecomputing.com/2017/05/13/cradley-ce-primary-malvern-show-garden/>



Suntan lotion and Water bottles

When good weather is forecast, please can sun-cream lotion be applied before school. Older children can bring their own to put on during the day. A cap is also an excellent idea, as we do like to take advantage of our outside areas. Children are expected to have a water bottle - clearly labelled - with them every day.

Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 23rd May; events will start at 10am and run till midday. After a picnic lunch on the field, the children will be registered by their teacher and you may take them home with you at that point. If not, they can remain in school till 3pm. Please remember that there will be no hot dinners available that day, so all children must bring a packed lunch. Limited parking will be available on the playground from about 9:15 onwards.

As always, we are at the mercy of the British weather. We aim to make a decision regarding cancellation the night before, based on the forecast. We will notify people via the text-messaging service and a note on the school website if we have not been able to make a decision during the school day.

Meet the Governors

We have had feedback from you that you would like to know more about who our governors are and the role that they play in the school. Over the next few weeks we will put a blurb about each one into the newsletter. If you see any of them around school, at drop-off or pick-up and would like to discuss anything, do not hesitate to approach them. More information is available on our website too.

Meet Lara Taylor



Lara is our newest Governor and moved to Cradley 2 years ago to enjoy village life and a rural setting for bringing up children. Lara's role as a Governor is on the Families, Children & Communities Committee. She supports us with related policies and is master of our parents' survey.

Donna Jones



I am Deputy Head and Class 3 teacher and I started working here in April 2010. I have responsibility for Co-ordinating Science and Music and am the Foundation stage co-ordinator. In my role as a Governor of Cradley School I have responsibility for the Governor run Nursery, the Families, children and community committee and Health and Safety

Nursery

The weather has been very soggy this week so we have been finding lots of ways to amuse ourselves. Musical statues and learning exciting action song. Junk modelling to make our own houses, and making our own reward charts for completing good deeds. We have been super busy. The board games have been on constant request too, our favourite being one that includes coloured sheep - everyone needs coloured sheep. We have ventured out into the rain of course, cleaning cars, mixing up coloured water and planting out new flowers. The play dough table has turned into a pizza shop and the toppings have been most surprising. We have been going on lots of journeys, mostly on the bus - ding ding! Next week we hope to explore houses from around the world so if you have any family snaps of unusual dwellings please do send them in to us. We hope to share them all at circle time.

Class 1

This week Reception have been doubling and halving in maths up to ten and Year 1's have been looking at ways to bridge ten. We have enjoyed our problem solving using our knowledge of facts we have learned about. In both Year groups we have been focussing on

grammar as we read in English and those Reception set 3 sounds have been really making us think about how a word is spelt and which speed sound to use. Our Great Fire of London continues to be a hit and we have learned to sing London's Burning in a round and have all had a go at following music and playing it on the xylophone. Our fourth session of football was in the hall due to the rain, so those skills we have been learning were really put to the test in a small space. Next week we are all praying for good weather for sports day.

Class 2

This week in English we have been continuing to read the book 'Dear Teacher' and have started to write our own letter to Ms George. In this letter we have been explaining a seaside adventure that has caused us to be late for the start of term. This writing has been linked to our Topic work which included us researching a seaside town. In our Mathematics we have been focusing on reasoning questions including time, reading scales and turns. In PE we have been continuing to developing our hand-eye coordination and our ball skills.

Class 3

This week we had a game of non-stop cricket in the hall. It was fast, furious and great fun with some great catching and batting. In maths we have been learning about turns, right angles, acute and obtuse angles. In English we have started a unit about letter writing. We have made gas mask boxes and have learned about how people tried to keep themselves safe in the war and the role of the Air Raid Warden.

Class 4

This week Class 4 have had a positive and determined attitude to showing off all that we know in our end of unit assessments. We have also developed our descriptive writing in English. In Maths we have been converting measurements. We have looked at the local habitats in Science, created a stencil inspired by Banksy in Art and developed our programmed games in Computing.

Class 5

We have had a hugely enjoyable week! We spent Tuesday at a local farm experiencing what working on the farm would have been like in the 1950s and comparing it to today. We filmed ourselves milking, herding sheep, baking bread and churning butter, horse-riding, mucking out, and feeding lambs and calves - and had the added bonus to watch a calf being born! We returned to school with over two hours of film footage and then spent Wednesday editing it to create a four-minute film! We can't wait for it to be premiered at the Hereford Odeon in July as part of the 'Herefordshire Through a Lens' media project. In addition, our play 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' has been cast and we are very excited about starting rehearsals in earnest next week. We enjoyed maths lessons on tessellations and fractals, and made DIY seismographs in topic.

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 Frankie Taylor for being positive

Hugh Roberts for being positive

Class 1 Daniel Unwin for being independent

Nelson Meager for his growing confidence

Class 2 Emilia Buck for persevering

Esmee Roberts for being reflective

Class 3 Toby Cooper for his perseverance

Hugh Norbury for super speedy maths

Class 4 Ray Hughes & Quinn Stephenson for working co-operatively

Class 5 Henry Adams for being a good friend

Owen Boniface for expert editing

Dates for the Future

MAY

REVERENCE

20th FOCS Family Skittles Night @ The Legion

23rd Sports Day

24th FOCS Rags to Riches Collection

26th Class 4 and Class 5 Bellboating trip

Break up

JUNE

WISDOM

5th Start of Term

Rounders Tournament 1-3pm @ JMHS

6th Cricket Tournament pm

8th JMHS Information Evening for Yr 5 pupils

9th KS1 Summer Festival @ JMHS

12th Start of Workshops @ JMHS

13th KS2 Golf @ JMHS

14th Janden Trophy Athletics @ JMHS

15th Girls Cricket Tournament

16th Rounders Tournament @ Dysons

17th FOCS Family Camping

20th Lifepath for KS2

21st Class 2 Collective Worship 8:55am Parents Welcome

22nd JMHS Info Evening for Year 6 Parents

23rd Crucial Crew for Year 6 @ Leominster

24th FOCS Fashion Show/Clothes Sale

26th Class 3 Trip to the Severn Valley Railway

29th Bellboating Regatta

30th Yr5 Taster Day @ JMHS

JULY

CREATION

6th Pass Up Day

7th Play Dress rehearsal

10th Play to school pm

11th Play 6pm

12th Play 6pm

13th Nursery Leavers Ceremony

Teddy Bears Picnic

14th Film Premiere Year 6 @ Hereford Odeon

FOCS Summer Fete

17th School hike

19th Leavers Rounders

20th Break up