

CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 3rd November 2017

Football Matches

The start of the season saw the Cradley football team travel to Bosbury to take part in the winter league. Over the course of the afternoon, we played two matches against Bosbury and Ashperton schools. With the loss of a player due to illness, it meant an emergency draft into the goalkeeping position that was admirably filled by Max. In the first match against Bosbury, the team started slowly but soon settled into their stride. Goals from Connor and Fin clinched a 2-0 victory. Against Ashperton, the team found the going tougher and lost the game 2-0. Overall, a fantastic first competitive action for the year. Congratulations go to: Max, Henry, Connor, Emil, Finn B, Fin G, Lorenzo and William.



Poppies

Next week, poppies and related items will be on sale in the playground. The donations for each item are as follows:

Poppies 20p

Bracelets and wristbands 50p

Ruler 'snap' bands £1

Please note that children can buy a poppy and ONE other item. They will not be allowed to wear the wristbands for P.E.

Class 4 Collective Worship

Due to illness, the Class 4 Collective Worship scheduled for 15th November has been cancelled. We will let you know a new date as soon as we can. Apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused,

FOCS Christmas Card Project

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas card project this year, raising an amazing £453.53 for the school.

Pub Quiz

The Pub Quiz at the Red Lion on Tuesday evening at 8pm is in aid of FOCS this coming week. Teams of 4 are very welcome to enter.

Class 4 archaeologists

Yesterday, Class 4 welcomed Justin Hughes from Worcestershire Archaeological Service to learn all about Victorians. Justin brought a wide range of artefacts with him and the children worked on their skills as historians to work out what the objects were.



FOCS AGM and Fashion Show

FOCS AGM will take place on Monday evening at 7:30pm in school. All parents are welcome to attend. Also, a reminder that the FOCS Fashion Show takes place at school on Saturday 11th November, Tickets are available from the office or on the door.

Poppy Distributor

The Cradley area is looking for a new poppy distributor. Ivor Lloyd has decided that it is time to retire. If anyone is interested, please contact the office and we can forward your details to Ivor.

Nursery

Magic has arrived in nursery this winter half term. We have been exploring the Julia Donaldson story *Room on a Broom*. Staff have created different sensory trays for the children to discover - from chocolate mud full of worms, to bright orange lentils. The children have returned to the lentils tray each day to practise pouring and sharing, too. The spooky but cold ice hands enthralled as they tried to work out where they had come from. In P.E. we jumped on our

'broomsticks' and zoomed off to collect coloured treasure - whoosh, they were gone! The children have also gone craft crazy this week, making wands, broomsticks, witches hats and potions. There has been glitter everywhere. The challenge was accepted as our little witches and wizards had a go at a witches hat counting challenge. They used numbered cones and hoops to score points. What magical mayhem might happen next week? And it's Guy Fawkes and Bonfire night, so things might go bang!



Class 1

We have a very busy half-term ahead in Class 1. Next week, our phonics evening will help to inform new parents in Reception and Nursery how Read, Write, Inc is taught in the Early Years and how to support children at home. Over the next few weeks we will be learning about some of the festivals celebrated around the world. We have started with Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate bonfire night. Reception made a Guy which will be going on top of the bonfire at the Red Lion and Year 1s were able to retell the story of the failed plot through the use of a story map. Rehearsals are underway for the Nativity. We have been getting together in the mornings with Class 2 for song practice and have worked hard at learning a lot of words in a short space of time. Next week we are looking forward to retelling the Nativity story with the cast, as well as learning some more songs.



Class 2

This week in Class 2 we have been starting to think about instructions in English. We had a go at writing some instructions linked to our Explorers topic then looked at the book *Instructions* by Neil Gaiman. We acted out some of the story and learned about how instructions can be set out. In Forest School we made models of Francis Drake's ship using woodland materials and modelling clay.

Class 3

This week Class 3 have been finding out how the Romans built roads once they arrived in Britain. We have been looking at instructions in English and followed instructions to make an edible Roman road. We learned how to use pic collage and, with the help of the Year 4s, made a poster showing information about where and how Roman roads were made. In Maths we have been doubling and halving using mental strategies. In PE we followed Latin instructions as we took on the role of Roman Legionaries.

Class 4

This week, Class 4 have been continuing their work on *Street Child* and we have been preparing to write newspaper reports based on Jim's escape from the workhouse. In topic we were very lucky to see some original Victorian clothes that belong to Darcey's grandma. In maths we have looked at multiplication. In PE we started learning about TAG rugby and the need to run at space and dodge well.



Class 5

This week in Class 5 we began work on our next class text, the beautifully written *Can we Save the Tiger?* We have researched animals that are critically endangered in the world today and have chosen one each to write about in the engaging style of this explanation text. This text fits nicely with our science on evolution and adaptation. In Maths we have been working on the skills of multiplying, including getting to grips with primes, factors and multiples. In topic we created 'living graphs' to try to understand the dynamics of the Viking struggle to gain control in England, and in R.E we began designing our own artwork which would fit into Coventry Cathedral on the theme of forgiveness and reconciliation.

Value of the Month

Service

The greatest among you will be your servant.

Matthew 23:11

Chosen by Mrs Jones

Stars of the Week

Nursery: Harrison Rao for being independent

Tessa Unwin for her positive attitude

Class 1 Joseph Davies for being reflective and positive

Chloe Bagnall for being reflective and positive

Class 2 Daisy Green for great independent work

Daniel Burton for great independent work

Class 3 Reuben Alcott for having a positive attitude

Lottie Seddon for taking pride in her work

Class 4 Darcey Rocca for her positive attitude

Demi-Leigh Smith for her positive attitude in maths

Class 5 Lorenzo Ashton for his independent work

Connor Hewitt for his positive attitude

Dates for the Future

NOVEMBER

SERVICE

3rd Rags to Riches Collection

6th Breaking Bread Collective Worship - all welcome

FOCS AGM 7:30pm @ school, all welcome

7th Nasal Flu Vaccinations Yrs R-4

Hi5 Netball Tournament @JMHS 11:15-13:15

8th Phonics Evening for Reception and Nursery Parents

6:30pm

11th FOCS Fashion Show

13th Healthy School Week

Rock-it-ball @JMHS

16th Class 3 visit to Caerleon

21st Football matches @ Bosbury

Guide Dog to visit Class 1 and 2

22nd NSPCC Collective Worship and Workshops

30th Choir singing at the Advent Cathedral Service

DECEMBER

THANKFULNESS

1st Class 4 trip to Judges Lodging

4th Breaking Bread Collective Worship - all welcome

Sportshall Athletics @JMHS 09:00-11:00

7th Girls' Football @ JMHS 11-1

8th Nativity Dress rehearsal to school

11th Nativity 13:30

12th Nativity 13:30

13th School Christmas Lunch

14th Concert for the Community 10am

Carol Service 6pm

15th Break up