

CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 10th November 2017

Healthy School's Week

Next week is our annual Healthy School's Week. Every morning there will be wake up shake up activity in the hall at 8:40 for the children. We are providing fruit for all KS2 children in the afternoon. Tuesday sees dance for all the children. Wednesday is a cross country morning, with all school children joining in. Children will need trainers for running around the school field and appropriate clothes to run in. On Friday we are having a mental health mix up day. All the children will be sorted in to mixed age groups and throughout the day they will undertake a range of different activities. These will include; Mindfulness, mental health, Yoga, the power of music, bullying, the importance of sleep and healthy eating

Netball Tournament

It was with great excitement that seven girls set off for JMHS on Tuesday for their first netball tournament. A well done to Lilly, Emily, Chloe BM, Phoebe BM, Chloe H, Imogen and Mimi who played their socks off and came fourth. The team drew two and lost two of their games, which were all so close (how dare the opposition score in the last second!). Our thanks to the girls of JMHS who did the refereeing so professionally.



Moment of Remembrance

During collective worship today we held a reflection and a minute's silence to remember those who have lost their lives.

Phonics Evening

Thank you to those parents who attended the phonics evening on Wednesday. I hope the evening was informative and gave you lots of ideas as to how you can best support your child at home to read and write and how RWI is taught in Early Years. Having tried to learn the sounds of new symbols, read a poem with words which look the

same but are pronounced very differently and learning to read Cinderella in German, we can see what the children are up against when they learn these new skills for the first time. We all got there in the end, but at a different pace. Persistence and repetition was the key, as well as patience and a whole lot of praise. I hope you enjoyed the opportunity to look at your child's work in their phonics and English books. We shall look forward to sending reading books home once we have completed all of the set 1 speed sounds. Until then, the shared books, for story time at home, should inspire some great writing later in the year.

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,

Children in Need

Our new School Councillors have made their first decision! They have decided to hold a "Silly Socks Day" in aid of Children In Need. This will take place on Friday 17th November. There will be a fine of 50p per silly sock (£1 in total). Watch out for other new ideas from this intrepid team.

Pub Quiz

The pub quiz very kindly raised £140 pounds towards the school. Thank you to Steve and Vicky and the Red Lion team.

FOCS

You should all have received a letter detailing the current situation regarding FOCS. If you are able to support please come along to the meeting organised for 4th December.

Nursery

On Monday we had a go at 'stopping, dropping and rolling' to practice what to do in the event of an accident with fire at this time of year. We turned this important lesson into a game as the children danced around to the song 'firework' and then ran to a mat to do the drill when the music stopped. We continued the firework theme in many creative ways from using paper shapes and glitter to rolling balls in paint all to create memorable pictures. It has prompted much lively discussion. On Wednesday, the children created edible sparklers with sprinkles and icing on a breadstick, they proved very popular. Watching the children squeeze little characters on to different sized brooms was fascinating to watch. The care and concentration shown to complete this mini challenge made us feel very proud of them, great counting too. Friday was full of magic at forest school with homemade brooms we whizzed about and then shared sausages, marshmallows and yummy hot chocolate around the fire. A great end to our story 'Room on a Broom'. Next week we will be joining the rest of the school in celebrating healthy school's week pondering bodies and minds, expect yummy healthy pizza and yoga perhaps?



Class 1

This week in Maths, Reception have been getting to grips with a number line and can quickly find numbers 1-10 and 1-20. In Year 1 we have been looking at symmetrical patterns and symmetrical capital letters. In Reception phonics we have been doing lots of one to one activities to practise all the speed sounds learned so far. Year 1s have been writing postcards from the seaside and looking at a non-fiction text about crabs. This week our Topic has been based on Remembrance Day. We have watched the beautiful poppy animation from CBeebies and talked about how the rabbit felt when the war started and why we wear poppies to remember. The Year 1s have done a piece of descriptive writing to accompany the short animation after talking through their ideas first. In PE we have enjoyed the adventure playground in the sunshine, as well as running laps around the playground. We are whizzing through the Nativity songs and rehearsals are going well. We are very excited about performing it in December.



Class 2

This week we have started the Nativity rehearsals in earnest, getting to grips with words and songs; it's all very exciting. In English we have been learning how to write instructions, so if you want to know how to pray the Muslim way, just ask Year 2! In Maths we have been practising how to tell the time on analogue and digital clocks, which can be quite tricky. Down in Forest School we worked on our Golden Hind models which were made from woodland materials and modelling clay. Those who stayed in class started learning about Space Explorers.

Class 3

This week in Class 3 we have been writing instructions, extending our sentences by using extended noun phrases, adverbial phrases and prepositional phrases. In maths we have been multiplying 2/3 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers using the grid and ladder method. We have finished our Roman shields. In RE we talked about the poppy and why it is used as a symbol of remembrance.

Class 4

This week, Class 4 have been writing newspaper reports on Jim's escape from the workhouse in English. In maths we have been learning about the properties of 3D shapes. In our topic work we have been learning about the Victorian house and school. We are not sure about having to stand up every time an adult entered the room.

Class 5

This week we have been concentrating on writing well-constructed sentences using brackets, dashes and commas and continuing to research our chosen endangered species. We really enjoyed sketching wild animals in science, thinking about how the physical features of each one enabled it to survive well in its habitat. In maths we have been problem solving and reasoning using mixed operations, factors and multiples. In history we considered how 'great' Alfred the Great really was.

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:** Genevieve Stevens being positive
Frankie Taylor taking a risk
Harvey Rankin working co-operatively
- Class 1** Marcus Agnew for being independent and proud of his work
Jacob Mifflin for being reflective and positive
- Class 2** Van Hughes for being independent
Seb Seldon for being independent
- Class 3** Freddie Knowles for being reflective
Elsie Jackson for her independence
- Class 4** William Moseley for persistence
Olivia Flanagan for her positive attitude
- Class 5** Chloe Hughes for being persistent
Phoebe Bramich-Muniz for being reflective

Dates for the Future

NOVEMBER SERVICE

- 11th FOCS Fashion Show
13th Healthy School Week
16th Class 3 visit to Caerleon
17th Children in Need: Silly Socks
21st Football matches @ Bosbury
Guide Dog to visit Class 1 and 2
22nd NSPCC Collective Worship and Workshops
Rock-it-ball @JMHS
24th ASC Film Night - Trolls
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
ASC Christmas Party
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
ASC Film Night - Nativity 2-Danger in the Manger