

# CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## Breakfast Club and After School Club

We are currently without a bell for BC and ASC, please knock on the window to alert us to your presence. We are investigating a more permanent solution to the bell issue.

## After School Club Film Night

Film Night will take place in After School Club on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Join us for Disney's Planes and some yummy popcorn.

## Fencing

We are delighted with the changes to the fencing in the meet and greet area and on the eastern boundary of the school. These changes are designed to enhance the safeguarding of the children in the school.

## Morning Routines

Just a reminder that we operate a drop off and go policy in the morning, this is designed to improve the parking situation around school. Please support this policy.

## Nursery

Our adventures into space have taken an interesting twist. We have spotted aliens! On Monday we had to hide in craters when the space music stopped and the aliens tried to spot us. We have been using craft materials to imagine our own aliens. They were different colours, ate some rather strange food and had wonderful names. The children have been exploring 3D shapes in the junk modelling trays, creating props to forward their space themed role play. The rocket ship has been evolving all week too with children taking it in turns to transform it. There has been lots of silver foil involved. Space slimed arrived later in the week, and we had to be brave to touch it. The preschool children had a go at writing in it too. Finally we were examining scale on Friday. We used old fashioned weighing scales to measure space rocks and different sized rockets to compare which are big and small. The children have been pondering what they might eat if we designed a space party. Should we have a party then?



## Class 1

This week we have been finding out about the waves in the world's oceans and what causes them. We've watched clips of very calm waves and huge stormy waves and then made our own beach to find out what happens to the sand and rocks as the waves move onto the beach. We have also been looking at seascapes by Turner and talking about how they make us feel. We have looked at a picture of JMW Turner and discussed the clothes he is wearing and why they are a bit different to the clothes we wear now and why. We've been watching ways in which we can experiment with different textures on water paints and change how the paint looks by blotting and using salt. We are looking forward to making our own stormy painting next week.



## Class 2

This week we have started finding out about the history of Cradley School so that we can make a fact book about it. If anyone has any information about the history of the school we would love to hear from you! In RE we are continuing to think about places of worship and what makes them sacred. We have been reflecting in particular on Cradley Church and Cheltenham Synagogue. In maths we have been having fun with capacity as well as rounding up and down.

### **Class 3**

Class 3 have written and sent letters to friends and family they know who live in Europe, (not England) and sent them along with a small character, Flat Stanley. We are reading about Flat Stanley's world-wide adventure in France and we will use the events of the story to write newspaper reports. We hope we will get a reply and maybe photos and postcards. In maths we have been exploring number sequences and solving problems involving place value. In RE we have learned about the Hindu worship Puja and what the different parts of the Puja tray represent. In PE we had great Swimming and netball sessions. In Topic we have been learning the capital cities of European countries and have placed them on a map.

### **Class 4**

This week in Class 4 we have been learning how to plot coordinates in the positive and negative x and y axis. They have not only been plotting different polygon shapes, but also translating and reflecting them. We have also been applying this knowledge to our map reading in Geography when learning to use grid references. We have been continuing our work on our eco footprint by conducting research online and in books to find information for our persuasive letter, focusing on learning how to use relative clauses, fronted adverbials, persuasive sentence openers and powerful vocabulary.

### **Class 5**

We are looking forward to our class assembly next Wednesday and this week we have been preparing for it by writing our own adventure stories based on Shackleton's epic return journey from Antarctica in 1915/16, and learning how to edit and improve our writing effectively. In maths we have been working on shape and angles as well as arithmetic skills and in science we began to consider the history of the understanding of the blood circulatory system. In RE we looked at the biblical story of creation, considering it alongside scientific understanding of evolution.

### **Value of the Month**

#### **Endurance**

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

#### **Philippians 4:13**

Chosen by Miss Guy

### **Stars of the Week**

**Nursery:** Harrison Rao for working co-operatively

Evie Pinchbeck for being positive

**Class 1:** Jacob Garner for being persistent

Thomas Malloy for co-operation

**Class 2:** Jacob Vine for taking pride in his work

Jay Kenwick for independence

**Class 3:** Sofia Ashton for being brave

Jack Wilson for taking pride in his work

**Class 4:** Oscar Robertson for being persistent

Finn Belgard for being reflective

**Class 5:** Connor Hewitt for being persistent

Ben Richards for taking pride in his work

### **Dates for the Future**

#### **JANUARY**

#### **ENDURANCE**

22 <sup>nd</sup>	Yr 3/4 Dance Festival @ Dysons
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Height and Weights Yr R and 6
24 <sup>th</sup>	Class 5 Collective Worship - parents welcome
26 <sup>th</sup>	After School Club Film Night
29 <sup>th</sup>	Multi-Cultural Week
30 <sup>th</sup>	Football matches @ Bosbury
31 <sup>st</sup>	Trudge Cross Country competition @ JMHS

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### **RESPECT**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	FOCS Disco
13 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 15:30-17:30
14 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening 17:30-19:30
16 <sup>th</sup>	Break up
26 <sup>th</sup>	Return to School Children's Bookshelf Book sale

#### **MARCH**

#### **FOREGIVENESS**

1 <sup>st</sup>	World Book Day
6 <sup>th</sup>	Football Matches @ Bosbury
7 <sup>th</sup>	Class 1 Collective Worship - parents welcome
8 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 3/4 tennis @ JMHS
16 <sup>th</sup>	Pyramid Football and Netball Tournament
20 <sup>th</sup>	Last swimming session
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Yr 1/2 mixed football @ JMHS 4pm
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Clubs Finish
27 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Service @ Church 9am
28 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 3/4 mixed football @ JMHS 4pm
29 <sup>th</sup>	Break up