

CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 29th March 2018

Happy Easter

Thank you to everyone for their support over this Spring Term. We would like to wish you all a Happy Easter and we look forward to welcoming you all back to the Summer term on Monday 16th April.

Easter Service

Thank you to everyone who came to join us at our Easter Service on Monday. It was very special to be able to share our interpretation of the colours of Easter with you. Well done to all the children and teachers for their hard work.

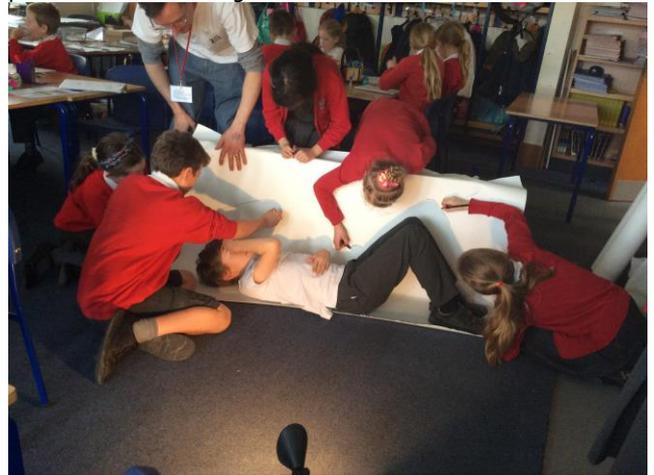
Year 6 at the Weeping Window

Year 6 visited Hereford Cathedral on Monday to view the 'Weeping Window' exhibit. Originally part of the 'Blood swept lands and rivers of blood' installation at the Tower of London, this sculpture has been exhibited in venues across the country since 2014. It was a very moving experience and a fitting end to our topic on WW1. We took lots of photographs and have enjoyed working this week on a piece of Picasso-styled artwork to represent the sculpture.



Class 4 Eco-Art

On Monday and Tuesday this week, Class 4 undertook a recycling sculpture project supported by Richard Hughes. This involved collecting waste over the last week and then organising it into the colours of the rainbow. We created shadow drawings of children to use as a feature of our sculpture, we then thought about an emotive message we wanted to portray. Using mesh and florist wire we attached our recycled items to the outline of our chosen shapes, thinking carefully about colour positioning and effect. The final product is breathtaking!



Class 4 Enviro Trip

On Wednesday, Class 4 went to EnviroSort in Worcester. It was a very thought-provoking trip! We learnt how easy it is to recycle paper by creating our own recycled paper, we discovered how hard mining for new materials can be and we undertook a fascinating tour of the sorting centre. The children asked lots of thoughtful questions and we really impressed staff at the centre with our knowledge.



Year 3/4 Football Tournament

On Thursday, the football team travelled to John Masefield to take part in a cluster-wide tournament. Late rain showers moved the play into the sports hall and necessitated a reduction in team size from seven to six. We lost our first match 1-0 to Bosbury in a closely fought contest. This was followed by victories against Ashperton and Ledbury, resulting in us finishing runners-up in the whole tournament. Well played to Sofia, Reuben, Finn, Olivia, William, Kyle, Freddie, Fraser and Mimi.

Drama Club

On Tuesday, our Christian Drama Club acted out a light-hearted version of *Joseph and his Dream Coat* for the rest of the school. They considered the theme of forgiveness; should Joseph forgive his brothers for selling him into slavery? Well done to the entire group; we all enjoyed the fun - yet reflective - performance.



Easter Egg Hunt

The local toddler group visited Nursery today and let us join them for their annual Easter Egg Hunt around the school grounds. The children shared warmed hot-cross buns, made bunny ears, painted pictures and got a little muddy in our mud kitchen. Then it was time to follow the trail left by the Easter bunny to collect some delicious chocolate surprises in their homemade baskets. Thank you to all the children and parents who came and made it a wonderful morning.

FOCS Easter Egg Competition

The eggs-tremely talented children raised an amazing £75 in the hotly-contested Easter Egg Competition. Judged by FOCS - along with Vicky and Steve from The Red Lion - there were winners chosen for each year group and Nursery, with an overall KS1 winner and KS2 winner, too. Everyone who entered received a small egg. The prizes were very kindly donated by Cadbury World and Tesco (Pickersleigh Road). The winners are: Dexter and Arian (Nursery); Isla and Rory (Reception); Edward and Freddie (Year 1); Minnie, Daniel and Luke (Year 2); Leila, Bryn and Jack (Year 3); Olivia and Toby (Year 4); Amelia and Bo (Year 5); Emily and Henry (Year 6), with Miah overall KS1 winner and Mali overall KS2 winner.



Cradley Church Garden Design Challenge

The school has been asked to plant up a flower bed at Cradley Church. This will be carried out by Gardening Club next term, but we are keen to find out if anyone has any suggestions to help with the design. The flower bed is at the front of the church and is a large oval shape. The theme will be 'Commemorating the End of World War 1' and the church will provide red rose bushes as part of the design. If your child would like to plan a design these should be handed to their class teacher by Friday 20th April. Prizes will be awarded for the best ideas.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Evening

We are holding an informal information evening for parents to bring you up to speed with the requirements for grammar and spelling in the new curriculum. It will take place on Wednesday 18th April at 6:30pm at school. It will last one hour. All parents welcome.

Value of the Month FOREGIVENESS

Colossians 3:13

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

Chosen by Adam Jones, Class 2.

Stars of the Week

Nursery Chloe Jeffries for being positive

Baxter Redwood for being positive

Class 1 Oliver Blewett for being independent

Joseph Davies for having a positive attitude

Oliver Eaton-Tilsley for having a positive attitude

Class 2 Elodie Alcott for being independent

Leyla Vine for having a positive attitude

Class 3 Fraser Eaton-Tilsley for his positive attitude

Toby Cooper for his positive attitude

Class 4 Annabel Plant for her positive attitude

Laura Jones for being independent

Class 5 Jake Robb for his positive attitude

Seb Parkin for being persistent

Dates for the Future

APRIL RESPONSIBILITY

16th Term starts

18th Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Evening for Parents @18:30

24th Football matches @ Bosbury

27th Football and Netball tournament @ Ledbury

MAY CO-OPERATION

1st Library Van visits school

2nd Class 3 lead Collective Worship. Parents welcome

7th Bank Holiday

8th Tennis Yr 3/4 @ JMHS

11th Yr 1 hearing screening

14th SATs Week

22nd Sport's Day

23rd Class and Team photos

25th TAG Rugby Tournament @ Ledbury RFC
Break up