



CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 11th May 2018



Warm Weather

Please remember to send your child to school with a labelled sun hat and water bottle.

Sports Day

Please make sure you have returned the slip to school to tell us who will be collecting your child.

Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 22nd May; events will start at 10am and run till midday. After a picnic lunch on the field for everyone, the children will be registered by their teacher and you may take them home with you at that point (please collect from the door at the back of their classroom). If not, they can remain in school until 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.

Slapped Cheek

We have had a few reported cases of Slapped Cheek in school. We have advised the children on hygiene techniques. Please do keep your child off school if they are unwell. Pregnant women should take extra care during this time as it can be dangerous for the unborn child.

Dog walking

Be aware that there are newly born calves in the field near school, so please make sure you are extra vigilant with your dogs and children throughout our community.

Raspberry Pi Club

The Raspberry Pi club at the Wyche Innovation Centre (3.45pm - 5pm) is suitable for kids interested in basic computer coding in scratch/Python/hacking/Minecraft. Parents will need to book in. Go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/malvern-raspberry-pi-jam-student-edition-tickets-15230748579>

Morning Drop-off

Unless attending Breakfast Club, please do not leave your child on the school premises before 8.30am, as there are no members of staff on duty before this time.

School Lottery

FOCS have asked if you will support them by getting involved with the school lottery; the children will bring home a leaflet today with further information.

Tennis Tournament

On Tuesday, four children in Year 3/4 (Isabella, Reuben, Freddie K and Leila) took part in a Tennis Tournament. They practised hard beforehand and came 1st overall, which means that they will be going to the Summer School Games in July.

London Trip

Last Friday, Year 6 went to London to visit the British Museum and the Houses of Parliament.

We were so excited that the journey didn't seem long at all and shortly after 10am we were already spotting some of the London sights in the distance. We went to the British Museum first to explore the Mesopotamia galleries, which were full of fascinating artefacts unearthed by archaeologists, many from the Royal Tombs of Ur. We then had a quick glimpse of the Egyptian mummies in the adjacent galleries. After lunch on the lawn in front of the beautiful façade of the Museum, we travelled on the tube (another first-time experience for most of us) to the Palace of Westminster. We had time to take in the sights from Tower Bridge before our tour of the Palace, looking into the House of Commons and the House of Lords. Our guide, Matthew, was fantastic and passed on his in-depth knowledge to us, keeping everybody riveted! We then attended a Campaigning & Democracy workshop which helped us understand how we can make our voice heard about diverse issues we feel strongly about, such as our use of plastics, and homelessness in our society. The whole day was brilliant and spirits were still high at the end of the five-hour journey home!





Class 1

We've had a very creative week! On Tuesday we designed and made some tuned and untuned instruments, using The Carnival of the Animals music to inspire us. We experimented with how to change the sound of the instruments by making them shorter, longer or changing the materials used to make them. We discovered a shaker with cotton wool inside is not a great instrument! On Thursday, we did some cooking and made a cookie-load of Carnival Animals, as well as some salt dough carnival animals, too!

In Maths we've done some mathematical calculations using sand, a bus and the number snake in the outdoor classroom. In PE we've been throwing some body shapes and fine-tuning our multi-skills ready for racing! We've had lots of lovely pictures on Tapestry this week and the children have enjoyed seeing their photos outside of school, on the big screen in the classroom. They've talked about the pictures and their experiences to their friends and it's been such a lovely way of getting to know more about each other and the things we do when we are not at school.



Nursery

It might have been a slightly shorter week but it didn't mean less fun! We kicked off with painting on Tuesday with Carol, using little fingers to add plates to dinosaurs. Real dinosaurs appeared in nursery thanks to a cool app on the iPads found by Lauren. We got to explore stories with Charlie, using story cards to make up our own fabulous fables on Thursday. Then forest school sessions involved using hammers safely to extract dye from plants and doing a little planting, too. Our sensory trays have been a massive hit - both sticky slime and crunchy cereals. These trays are helping us practise our social skills and working our fine motor skills, too. Next week is our last week with our fierce friends visiting. What will they get up to, we wonder?



Class 2

This week we have been finding out about fossils in our topic lessons. Half of the class have had fun sketching fossils in order to practise observing things closely in Science. They also searched for fossils in the sand and wrote down words to describe what they looked like. Meanwhile, the other half of the class enjoyed toasting marshmallows at Forest School and planting all of the new seedlings which have arrived from the RHS. These will be planted into the raised beds as soon as they are big enough.

Class 3

On Friday last week we had a visit from Tom Alcott who told us about his adventures kayaking on the River Severn. He also brought a sea kayak in for us to see. It was very interesting. In English we have started finding out about shape poetry and calligrams and we will use descriptive language to create river shape poems. In Maths we have used ladder and formal methods for multiplication and have solved reasoning and word problems using our knowledge. In Music we have started to compose a musical river journey and this week we have explored ways to record it so that someone else can play our piece of music. We will perform them to each other in a couple of weeks.

Class 4

This week, the children in Class 4 have written descriptions of characters from Kensuke's Kingdom. They have also used roleplay to develop this. In Maths children have used lots of thinking skills to develop reasoning skills in relation to divisions. In the afternoons, we have been writing about all we learned from SARA on the iPads, we have developed our programming skills in Computing on Scratch and we created triptychs - which are three picture in one - based on the theme of despair, joy and hope.

Class 5

Next week is SATs week so we have been revising in Maths and English: we are feeling prepared and ready! We have also been thinking about how to structure a biographical text in preparation for writing about Philippe Petit. In Science, we put into practice what we have learned about classification to identify bumblebee and butterfly species. In topic, we followed up our fantastic trip to London by discussing the formation of archaeological 'tells' and in particular, recalling what we learned about the excavation of the Royal Graves of Ur (in Iraq) in the 1930s. In PSHE we discussed what Parliament is and how it functions.

Value of the Month Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

CO-OPERATION

Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labour. For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion.

Chosen by Miss Richardson (Class 3 student).

Stars of the Week

Nursery Hayden Jeffries for working co operatively
Dexter Wyatt for working co operatively

Class 1 Millie Elliott-Roberts for being independent
Rory Taylor for being positive
Beth Richards for being persistence in writing

Class 2 Sebastian Brookes for independent writing
Stan Bentley-Price for persistence in maths

Class 3 Reuben Alcott for his positive attitude
Milly Garner for being positive in music

Class 4 Finn Belgard for persistence in his English work
Demi Smith for independent writing

Class 5 Henry Flanagan for great positivity and participation
Max Kite for always taking pride in his work

Dates for the Future

MAY

CO-OPERATION

14th SATs Week
22nd Sports Day and picnic lunch
23rd Class and Team photos
23rd £2 Book Sale
25th TAG Rugby Tournament @ Ledbury RFC
Break up

JUNE

HONESTY

4th Term Starts
5th Quickcricket tournament @Eastnor CC
6th KS2 Bellboating trip
7th Rounders Tournament @ JMHS 11:15-13:15
11th Class 4 day @the Chase
KS2 Golf @JMHS 11-1pm
20th Class 2 Collective Worship - Parents Welcome
21st Girls' Cricket Tournament @ Colwall
Dyson Perrins Induction Day
26th Class 5 @ Crucial Crew
27th Chase Yr 6 Induction Day
28th Class 4 and Class 5 Bellboating Regatta
29th Cricket Festival @ Ledbury CC

JULY

Koinonia

3rd Janden Athletics Trophy @ JMHS
4th Herefordshire Summer School Games
10th KS2 Summer Play 6pm
11th KS2 Summer Play 6pm
12th Class 5 Day Out
12th Nursery Leavers' Service
18th Leavers' Rounders
19th Break up
20th INSET DAY

