



CRADLEY NEWS

Friday 4th May 2018



Bank Holiday Monday

Please remember that school will not be open on Monday 7th May as it is a Bank Holiday. Enjoy your long weekend and let's hope for some sunshine!

Quiz Night Fundraising

We would like to say a huge thank you to the Red Lion Pub for donating £55 to FoCs from a recent quiz night they held.

A Message from the Chair of Governors

"Mr Greaves is currently off sick. We all wish him a speedy recovery." - Eryl Copp

In his absence Mrs Jones is acting Headteacher and Miss Guy is her Deputy.

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.

Parking

Please can we remind parents to take care when parking at pick-up time. We have had several complaints from members of the community. Please do not block drives, paths or obstruct the flow of traffic at the narrow pinch points of the road.

Warm Weather

We are expecting the weather to improve next week, therefore please make sure your child has sun cream and a hat.

Sports Day

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.

Gardening Club Trip

Last week, members of Gardening Club went to Cradley Church to plant a spring flower bed. The children planted forget-me-nots and added shells and a poppy-shaped bird bath. We will soon be planting a summer flower bed based on the designs submitted by pupils. Well done to those who contributed an idea - everyone at Gardening Club is looking forward to working on a final plan.

Police Visit to Class 4

Last Friday, Class 4 interviewed our Community Support Officer, David Alexander, as part of their class topic on Survival. The children had many questions to ask, which Mr Alexander answered very honestly, explaining clearly what his role in society was and stating that keeping fit and knowing the law were probably the most important parts of his job. He explained to the children what they should do if they get lost (stay still and not wander around) and what to do if they were approached by a suspicious-looking stranger who made them fearful (shout "NO" loudly). We all practised this and I'm surprised Mrs Booth didn't come running to see what was happening!

SARA

On Thursday SARA (Severn Area Rescue Association), in the form of Mr James Bamforth, gave Classes 3 and 4 a fascinating talk about how to keep safe near rivers. He then demonstrated how to attempt to rescue someone safely should they fall into deep water, and then gave the children the chance to practise these skills (on grass!). Each child was given a leaflet about water safety.



Nursery

This week in Nursery we've continued our dinosaur topic. For PE we practised our throwing skills by throwing beanbags into numbered hoops, trying to score lots of points for our team. We've spent lots of time on the field practising for Sports Day; staying in our own lane for multi skills is tricky! At circle times this week we've been looking at what a number means: What is five? A dinosaur sensory tray was popular; we all enjoyed the green slime and getting messy! The dinosaur stomp is providing a popular song for us all to dance along to. Down at Forest School we made pictures using natural resources and helped in the school garden.



Class 1

This week in phonics we have been recapping our Set 2 sounds and learning some new Set 3 sounds. We have worked hard on learning our compositions ready for independent writing at the end of the week. In maths we have been doubling numbers 1-6 and finding dominoes with doubles on them. In RE we have talked about some of the things we might find inside a church and whether people who are not religious can still go to church. In PE we have been perfecting forward rolls and practising for Sports Day. Our topic, Carnival of Animals, has continued with a musical theme as we have composed our own pieces with tuned and untuned instruments. Enjoy the long weekend!



Class 2

Class 2 welcomed Freddie's mum and baby brother in to class this week as part of our PHSE learning about changing and growing. The children asked lots of interesting questions and really enjoyed meeting our visitors! We had another damp Forest School session but luckily the rain held off this time. We were able to make journey sticks and used what we had found out to write instructions in English.

Class 3

This week in Class 3 we have been writing explanations about how a river gets from its source to the sea. We have used editing stations to learn the skills necessary to improve our writing. In maths we have been using smarties to complete investigations and data handling. In topic we learned the technical language surrounding rivers and made a glossary. We have found out about being safe by a river and taken part in a workshop with SARA. We led collective worship about co-operation; everyone spoke up clearly and remembered their words. We loved singing the song, *Build it High*; then welcomed parents into the classroom to share what we've been doing in class.





Class 4

We've had a thought-provoking week, using reasoning skills in Maths to find evidence for whether a calculation can be correct before checking this by completing the calculation using written division. We have been writing from different perspectives in English. In the afternoons we have practised for Sports Day, written a leaflet about how the Police keep us safe, developed our gymnastics skills, and used sequence, selection and repetition in programming.

Class 5

This week we have kept up the pace with our revision for SATs but have also really enjoyed learning about Philippe Petit, the high-wire performer who achieved world-wide fame with his tightrope walk between the Twin Towers in New York in 1974; we are preparing to write a biography of him. In Science we practised identifying newly discovered species using dichotomous keys, and in Topic we learned why the ancient Sumerians moved from a nomadic lifestyle to becoming city dwellers. Today we are taking a trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament and the British Museum. We will tell you all about it in next week's Newsletter.

Value of the Month CO-OPERATION
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

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 Thomas Blewett for being positive
 Arian Evans for being positive

Class 1 Uriah Lyndon for his persistence and independence
 Thomas Exton for being reflective

Class 2 Nelson Meager for his independent problem solving
 Minnie Stevens for being reflective when writing

Class 3 All of Class Three for their lovely Assembly

Class 4 * Last week Oliver Burton received star of the week for working cooperatively.
 Bo Brett for her persistence

Oscar Robertson for having a positive attitude
Class 5 Jake Robb & Lorenzo Ashton for working Co-operatively

Dates for the Future

MAY	CO-OPERATION
7 th	Bank Holiday
8 th	Tennis Yr 3/4 @ JMHS
11 th	Yr 1 hearing screening
14 th	SATs Week
22 nd	Sports Day and picnic lunch
23 rd	Class and Team photos
25 th	TAG Rugby Tournament @ Ledbury RFC Break up
JUNE	HONESTY
4 th	Term Starts
5 th	Quickcricket tournament @Eastnor CC
6 th	KS2 Bellboating trip
7 th	Rounders Tournament @ JMHS 11:15-13:15
11 th	Class 4 day @the Chase KS2 Golf @JMHS 11-1pm
20 th	Class 2 Collective Worship - Parents Welcome
21 st	Girls' Cricket Tournament @ Colwall Dyson Perrins Induction Day
26 th	Class 5 @ Crucial Crew
27 th	Chase Yr 6 Induction Day
28 th	Class 4 and Class 5 Bellboating Regatta
29 th	Cricket Festival @ Ledbury CC
JULY	Koinonia
3 rd	Janden Athletics Trophy @ JMHS
4 th	Herefordshire Summer School Games
10 th	KS2 Summer Play 6pm
11 th	KS2 Summer Play 6pm
12 th	Class 5 Day Out
12 th	Nursery Leavers Service
18 th	Leavers' Rounders
19 th	Break up
20 th	INSET DAY

