



**AUTUMN TERM**

**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**20 December 2024**

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# School Newsletter

## Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful way to finish the term by celebrating the story of Christmas at our annual Carol Service. Thank you to everyone who came and made it all so special. Thank you to FoCs for the refreshments.

A huge thank you to Dominic and family who raised £92 for new playtime footballs with his football team draw. Thank you to everyone for your support this term.

Thank you to all the staff and Governors who work so hard to make Cradley School a special place for our children, teaching, supporting, giving new experiences and making school a positive experience for all.

Wishing you a restful Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Happy Christmas,

Mrs Jones

## VALUE OF THE MONTH

### PEACE

“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33

Merry  
Christmas

# School Calendar



## January

- 7 - Children back to school
- 17 - Young Voices for Choir
- 22 - Welcome Wednesday Maple Class

## February

- 3-14 - Birch Class swimming every day
- 5 - Collective Worship Sycamore Class
- 11-12 - Parents Evening
- 17 - Half-term
- 24 - Back to school

## March

- 5 - Welcome Wednesday Birch Class

## Music Lessons At Cradley

**PIANO, CLARINET,  
SAXOPHONE AND  
SINGING LESSONS**



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE  
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT

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Flute Lessons with Bea  
Price  
[bpriceflute@gmail.com](mailto:bpriceflute@gmail.com)



Guitar Lessons with Tom  
Doherty  
[tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk)

Piano, clarinet, saxophone and singing -  
Wednesday mornings  
Flute - Wednesday afternoons  
Guitar - Monday afternoons

# Attendance



Well done to Sycamore Class who have had 92.19% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear until January. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are**

**included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class 84.72%

Sycamore Class 92.19%

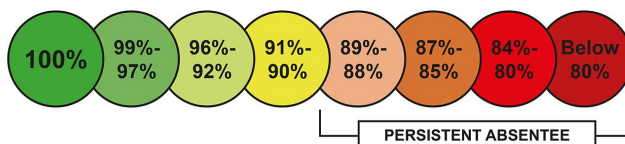
Birch Class 88.84%

Oak Class 92.13%

Whole school 91.02%

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

## Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the following posts:

### Teaching Assistant SEN Level 2 (Maternity Cover)

Starting 24th February 2025

8.15am-3.30pm every day

### After School Club Assistant

Thursdays, 3.00-5.30pm starting on 9th January 2025.

### Lunchtime Supervisor (Temporary)

Monday-Friday, 11.40am-1.05pm starting on Tuesday 7th January 2025 until February half-term.

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in either or both roles please speak to Mrs Jones or ask in the office.

# Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

## News

It's the end of term! And therefore it's FoCS Christmas raffle today! Thanks to everyone who has donated treats for the hampers, and good luck everyone.

In addition, we'd like to thank:

Holloways Glasshouse for their voucher,

Morrisons for their hamper in addition to our own,

Verity's mum for her Waitrose Worcester donations added to our hampers, and

4 tickets to the West Midlands Safari Park.

Special thanks to Rachel, Cass and Lucy for doing most of the donkey work for our events recently, including today's raffle and the pop up shop.

The children absolutely love the pop up shop and we really hope you all love the gifts the children have picked for you.

Yesterday we had the carol concert. Thanks to everyone who helped organise the drinks and treats, and thanks to everyone who bought themselves a warm pick-me-up.

What a lovely end to the term. Merry Christmas to all, and a very happy new year.

See you in January for more FUNdraising ☐

Kirstie, Cass and Charlotte



## Church 4 All

The church celebrates Epiphany on January 5th where the Wise Men arrive to see Jesus.

We are telling the story of a camel called Hoshmakaka who suffers with gout, sciatica and painful joints! Says it all.

I would like some children to act out the story with me, no speech involved, camels and Three Wise Men essential!

So please put it in your diary!

Before that of course is Christingle and carols on Christmas Eve at 4 pm.

St James Church Cradley wish you all a joyous Christmas.

Eryl Copp



# WEEKLY AWARDS

<b>HAZEL CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Reuben Otto for being brave and taking a risk by trying everything on offer in Nursery with a smile on his face. Pryia for being a super star during her time in Nursery.
<b>MAPLE CLASS</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Rowan and Aurelia for representing Maple Class so well at the Carol Service.
<b>SYCAMORE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Ezra Freddie for his progression in Maths. Jonah for his incredible progression this term.
<b>BIRCH CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Bethany and Daisy Dom, Daisy, Poppy, Byron, Isaac, Rory, William, Emily, Sophie, Haydn, Josh, Lottie for representing Birch Class at the Carol Service.
<b>OAK CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Dexter Stan for being consistently a positive role model in all aspects of the curriculum Hayden for his enthusiasm and support to others during The Orchestra of the Swan.
<b>HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD</b>	Molly, Reuben, Ivy, Ferne for being superstars at the Carol Service helping Maple Class to sing. Eli and Johnny for being super supportive big brothers.

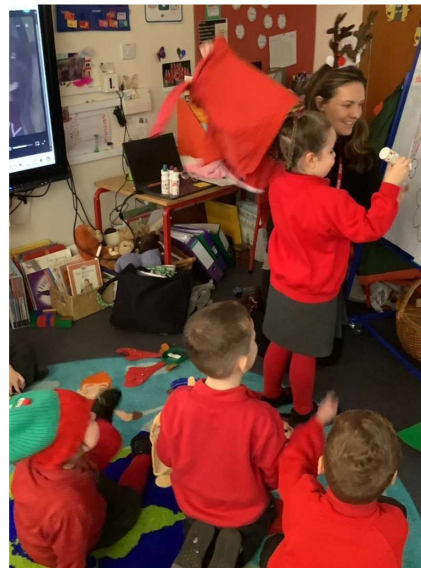
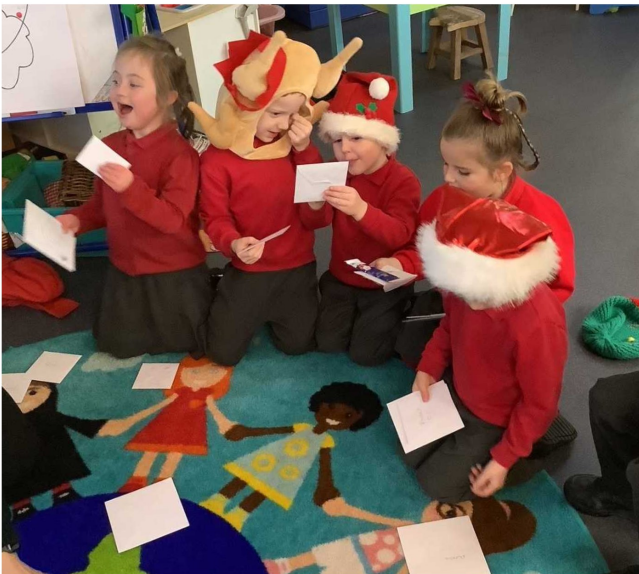


*On Wednesday the nursery children went on a Santa Safari. They were all very well behaved and got to visit Santa, who let them pick a present from his elves workshop. Afterwards we all enjoyed festive cookies before driving around to see all of the different animals.*

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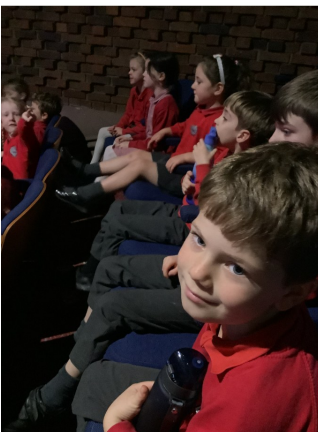
# Maple Class

A lovely week to end the term with for Maple Class!



# Sycamore Class

Sycamore Class have had a great week!





# Birch Class



What a festive week Birch Class have had! They've sewn star decorations and made and decorated gingerbread men.

# Oak Class

Oak Class have had a great week and have finished the term playing games.



# Christmas

We enjoyed our Panto visit on Wednesday to see Aladdin at The Swan Theatre in Worcester.



We had a very special visitor on Thursday!

We welcomed members of the community in to school this week to listen to our carol singing practice.



# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## Reception admissions for 2025-2026

Do you have a child born between  
1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021

If so you will need to apply for a school place  
by 15 January 2025  
(to commence September 2025)

Applications can be completed from  
**16 September 2024** online  
(scan QR code) or visit:



[www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions)

Please note: a place at a nursery does not  
guarantee a place at the associated primary  
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school  
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or  
[schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk)

If your child is starting school  
in September 2025 please  
remember to apply for their  
school place online by 15  
January 2025.



## STORRIDGE, CRADLEY & MATHON TEENY TOTS PLAY GROUP

Join us for play, singing and nature walks  
Thursdays during term time  
Children aged 0-5 years  
10:30 am - 12:00 noon  
Only £2 per family,  
Includes a drink and a snack.

At the Scout Hut in Cradley  
The Old Rectory Rooms, Churchfields Lane, Cradley,  
Herefordshire WR13 5LL

Call Rachel with any questions 07790890183

Parents/carers are responsible for their children at all times.

# Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School  
WR13 5NG

Booking is  
now open!

Christmas

30 & 31 December 2024

2 & 3 January 2025

## Christmas

- \* Baking Activities
- \* Craft Activities
- \* Movie and Popcorn Afternoon

Breakfast (8am-5pm

session) and healthy snacks  
are provided.

Hot Lunch option is available  
(£2.50) or children must  
bring their own packed  
lunch.

## Session Times & Costs

9am - 1pm	£17
9am - 3pm	£25
8am - 5pm	£30

To book, log on to School  
Money - <https://eduspot.co.uk>

Booking and  
payment must be  
made in advance

For more information please  
email  
[ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk)  
FAO Lauren

HAF bookings for FSM children  
open in November.

  
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## Temple Court Christmas Trees

*Open Friday 29th November then every Friday,  
Saturday & Sunday until Christmas*

Nordmann Fir, Norway Spruce cut trees up  
to 10ft and a selection of pot grown trees

*Located just outside Bosbury at  
Temple Court, Bosbury, Ledbury,  
Herefordshire, HR8 1HA*

10% of the sale of your tree will be donated  
to the local primary school PTA of your  
choice

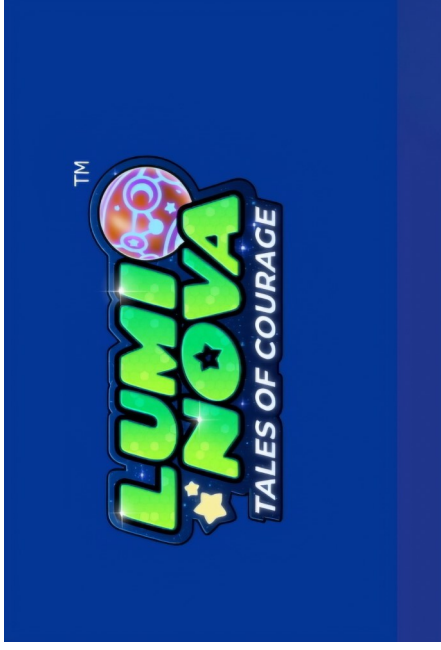

# BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

by Alex Jackson



This amateur production of  
"Beauty & The Beast" is presented  
by arrangement with  
Alex Jackson Pantomimes

Thursday 16th to Sunday 19th &  
Thursday 23rd to Sunday 26th January  
@ 2.30pm & 7.30pm (Matinees on Saturday & Sunday)  
The Market Theatre | Tickets: £12 (£8 Concessions, Family Ticket £42)  
Tickets online [themarketheatre.com](http://themarketheatre.com) or by phone **07967 517125**



Luminova is a fantastic app for helping children deal with anxiety. Parents need to download it and complete a registration form in order to get a code.

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