



SPRING TERM
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School Newsletter

Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a privilege it was to welcome Mr Ghufraan Ahmed into school this morning to talk to KS2 about his beliefs as a Muslim. He is a teacher in Birmingham where the school has over 1000 children and 80% are Muslim. So different to our little country school. It was fascinating to share the similarities and differences between both Christian and Islam first hand.

Another great experience and privilege was to go to Young Voices with the choir last Friday. It was amazing to be part of a choir of over 5000 children.

Today in Collective Worship, Class 4 reflected on hope. In a world where so many bad things happen and children face so many challenges it is important to have hope. Even when life is difficult Christians believe that God is working things out for us. Through education and experiences I hope that we can build a better future for all our children.

Have a great weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

VALUE OF THE MONTH

HOPE

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

Jeremiah 29:11



School Calendar



January

31 - FoCS Marshmallow Friday 3pm

February

3-14 - Birch Class swimming every day

5 - Collective Worship Sycamore Class

7 - Nursery Trip to Ledbury

7 - FoCS School Disco 6-8pm

11-12 - Parents Evening

17 - Half-term

24 - Back to school

March

5 - Welcome Wednesday Birch Class

6 - World Book Day

19 - Collective Worship Oak Class

Music Lessons At Cradley

PIANO, CLARINET, SAXOPHONE AND SINGING LESSONS



**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT**

elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com

Flute Lessons with Bea
Price

bpriceflute@gmail.com



Guitar Lessons with Tom
Doherty

tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk

Piano, clarinet, saxophone and singing -
Wednesday mornings

Flute - Wednesday afternoons

Guitar - Monday afternoons

Attendance

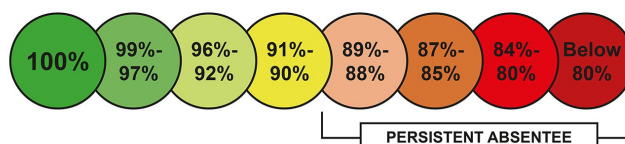


Well done to Oak Class who have had 97.04% attendance this week! They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	76.36%	Whole school	92.73%
Sycamore Class	96.88%		
Birch Class	93.33%		
Oak Class	97.04%		

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for the following posts:

After School Club Assistant

Mondays and Thursdays, 3.00-5.30pm starting asap.

Lunchtime Supervisor (Temporary)

Monday-Friday, 11.40am-1.05pm starting asap 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

DISCO!!



We have a date for the disco - Friday 7th Feb. It'll be 6pm-8pm. It's so much fun for the children - they'll be dancing, and running, and squealing all the while you're relaxing in the bar area!

There'll be hot dogs, tuck with sweets, crisps and drinks, light up gadgets, and a quiet area for drawing, nail painting and tattoos. Look out for the posters and please get your tickets in advance where possible.

Before that though we have MARSHMALLOW FRIDAY next week on Friday 31st Jan. Hot chocolate will be available for £1 (we have the good stuff) and a chocolate covered treat will be 50p.

We will have plastic cups available but please bring your own for convenience.

We had a FoCS meeting on Wednesday. Thanks to all who attended.

The minutes will be available for anyone to read. Please get in touch with someone from the FoCS team to get the email.

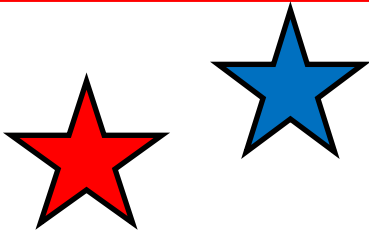
WE NEED YOU! FoCS needs new people to join the committee. Specifically, from July we need a new treasurer. It's not as daunting as it sounds... it's mostly counting money and showing up at events. If you think you might be able to help, please get in touch to chat about the role and how we can arrange a soft takeover.

Please please please use easy fundraising! Your efforts last term earned us the most money yet, and it cost nothing except a few seconds to click 'make a donation'.

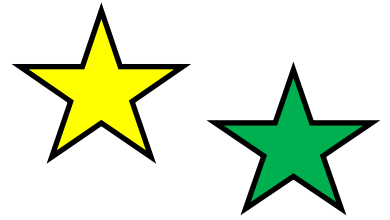
Every single penny we make is spent on your children.



Kirstie, Cass and Charlotte



WEEKLY AWARDS



HAZEL CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Mason Freddie for increased independence and confidence when arriving at Breakfast Club and Nursery. Liora for showing independence and a great start to toileting training.
MAPLE CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Jesse Billy-Joe for his continued development in his confidence. Jesse for being Maple Class's always child and a fantastic role model.
SYCAMORE CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Owen Ruby for working hard this week to learn her number bonds and apply this in her writing. Billy for being a reliable and hardworking member of Class 2.
BIRCH CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	James H Josh for his amazing independent work. Jenson for his super reflective work in RE.
OAK CLASS Friendship Award Stars of the Week	Neve Hayden, Arian and Nicholas for demonstrating tremendous commitment to their learning this week.
HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD	Geni and Summer for being amazing buddies to a child in Reception, helping him to settle quickly in the mornings.



Hazel News



This week we had Dr Currier come to visit us and show us some things from her Doctor's bag. She had lots of interesting items, such as a stethoscope, thermometer, plasters and a reflex hammer and we helped to make her baby doll, who was very spotty, better.



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Maple Class



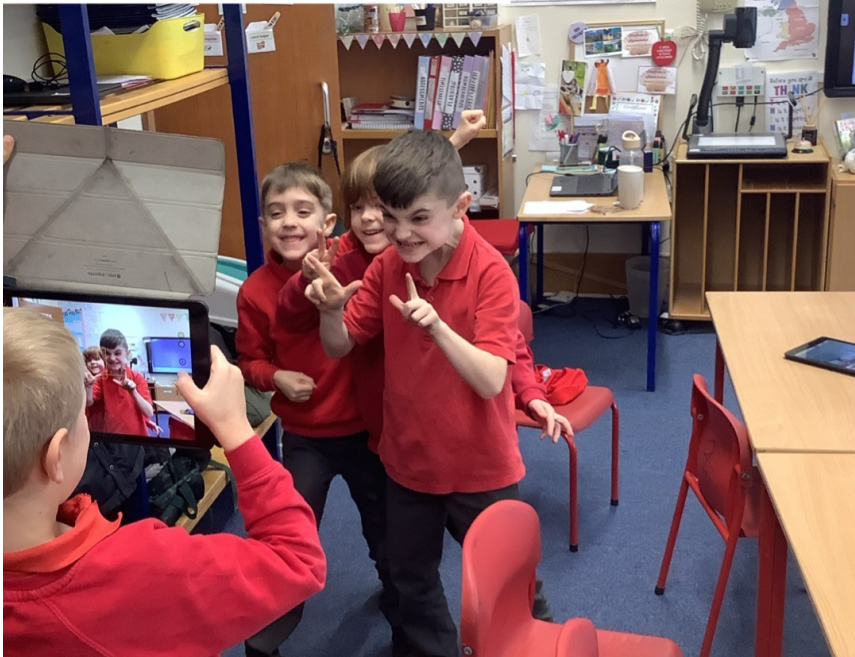
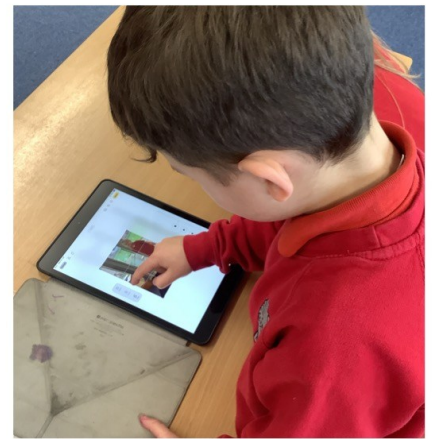
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Maple Class
Welcome Wednesday



Sycamore Class



Class 2 had great fun in computing this week, learning to edit pictures.



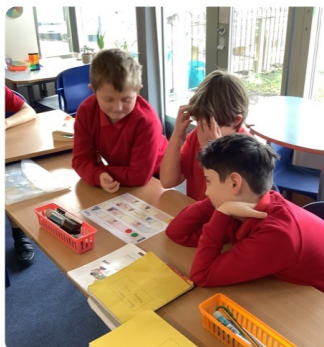
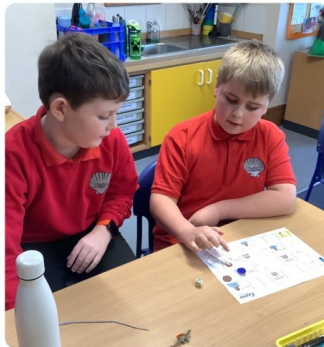
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Birch Class



A huge thank you to Mr Ahmed, an Assistant Head at Saltley Academy, Birmingham for joining Birch and Oak Classes to speak about religion. This has supported our Islam topic across KS2. The children made us very proud with their thoughtful and reflective questions.

Earlier in the week the children enjoyed a traditional Spanish game whilst practicing their questioning and answering.



Oak Class

Oak Class have had a busy week again - on Monday the children enjoyed creating some 'Land Art'. They went out onto the field and created pieces of art using a selection of natural materials.



FEBRUARY HALF TERM - INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

at Ledbury Swimming Pool

Our 4-day Intensive Swimming Learn to Swim Course is for beginners aged 3-4 plus. Focuses on building confidence in the water.

When? 17th - 20th February

GOOD TO KNOWS...

- Sessions run Monday to Thursday
- Sessions run from 2.15pm - 2.45pm
- Sessions last 30 minutes

£30

For 4 sessions



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Find out more at www.halo-leisure.org.uk. Pre-booking required - call 01531 632890 or pop into Reception



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.

110 planters for pollinators



Let's turn Cradley into a pollinators' paradise

* The big idea

To celebrate 110 years of the WI, the Cradley branch and Cradley Wild want to get 110 planters located all over the village this summer.

We want your help to fill them with insect-friendly plants and make Cradley a haven for bees and other pollinators.

* Where to start

If you can plant up a container, drop us an email:
plantersforpollinators@gmail.com.
We'll keep you posted about events and activities to help you on your way.

* Get growing

- * Find a pot, tub, hanging basket or any container. We may be able to help you if you can't find one.
- * Fill it with compost. We will have some you can use.
- * Collect your starter pack, with seeds, a small plant and your all-important number.
- * Plant up your container.
- * Place it where it can be seen and remember to water it.
- * Enjoy your pot of loveliness and the insects that visit.

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