



**AUTUMN TERM**

**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**22 November 2024**

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# **School Newsletter**

## **Message from the Head Teacher**

Dear Parents and Carers,

They say that it takes a village to raise a child and here at school we know it takes a whole army of staff and volunteers to ensure that children learn and are kept safe in school. We need some help with this and wondered whether you or anyone that you know could do just that.

We are looking for a temporary Cleaner to help to keep the school a pleasant, clean space for children and adults. This work can be done in evenings and some hours at the weekend. We also need a temporary Lunchtime Assistant every day 11.40am to 1.05pm.

Governors play a pivotal role in supporting and monitoring what happens in school. We are looking for Foundation Governors to join our Governing Board. This involves meetings after school and in the evenings about 10 times a year. If you or anyone you know have business, finance, education, safeguarding or buildings experience that you can support us with we would like to hear from you. A Foundation Governor must be willing to support the Christian foundation of the school but does not need to be a church goer.

If you or anyone you know is interested in any of these roles, please ask them to speak to me in the first instance.

Have a good weekend,

God bless,

Mrs Jones

### **VALUE OF THE MONTH COURAGE**

"But Jesus immediately said to them:  
'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid'."

Matthew 14:27



# School Calendar



## **November**

- 25 - Author Visit for Birch and Oak Classes
- 27 - Welcome Wednesday Sycamore Class

## **December**

- 2 - School Nurse in school
- 4 - Birch Class to The Hive
- 6 - Clubs finish
- 10 -11 - Nativity
- 12 - ASC Christmas Party
- 18 - Nursery to Santa Safari
- 18 - Whole School to Panto in Worcester
- 19 - Christmas Lunch
- 19 - Carol Service 6pm

## **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



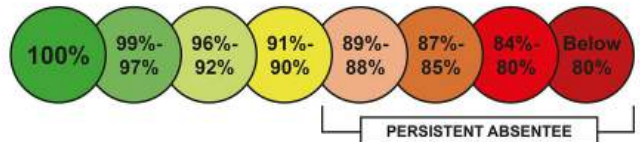
# Attendance

Well done to Oak Class who have had 97.33% 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	89.53%	Whole school	95.04%
Sycamore Class	97.24%		
Birch Class	93.86%		
Oak Class	97.33%		

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

# Christmas Lunch



*Christmas*

MENU

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2024

### MAIN COURSE

Roast turkey, roast potatoes, cocktail sausage, stuffing, carrots, peas and gravy

Quorn fillet, roast potatoes, stuffing, carrots, peas and gravy (v)

### DESSERT

Santa Cake

COST: £2.70

PLEASE BOOK ON SCHOOL MONEY BY  
MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY 11TH  
DECEMBER 2024





# Super Pianists in Birch Class

Well done to these two pianists from Birch Class who took part in a piano recital at the weekend.



## Snow!





# Friends of Cradley School (FoCS)

## News

Thanks to everyone for helping with Marshmallow Friday last week, and thanks to everyone for showing up to enjoy the treats. We made almost £70 which is a fantastic amount.

We're gearing up for a very busy few weeks here at FoCS, so please keep your eyes peeled for our upcoming events.

We would still appreciate volunteers to help with the village fair in just 2 weeks time. It's not a huge event for us, but it helps to foster links with the community outside of school.

And here's another reminder to please use Easy Fundraising! It's easy! And it literally costs you nothing extra while you're online shopping. 8000 companies are willing to donate if only they're asked to with a few extra clicks. We've already made more from them than we did during the whole of last year and it would be great to get even more.



All the money we raise is ploughed right back into enhancing your children's education.

Your FoCS team

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS


**6th DECEMBER** Christmas dress-up day in exchange for donations to our famous Christmas Hampers Raffle

**7th DECEMBER** Village Christmas Fair - we would really appreciate volunteers to help for this event.

**13th DECEMBER** Pop up Shop - we need volunteers to help children choose gifts and to wrap them up.

**19th DECEMBER** Carol concert at Cradley Church - we would also appreciate volunteers for this event to serve up mulled wine and mince pies.

**20th DECEMBER** The Christmas Hampers Raffle!



**The FOCS Christmas Raffle**

**Donations**

We are looking for donations for the prizes – a Christmas hamper for each Class, Nursery, and Staff.

Please bring donations, big or small, into school on **Friday 6th December** in exchange for a Christmas dress up day!

Festive donations can be....

Wine	Ber	Cider	Spirits	Non-alcoholic drinks
Crackers	Biscuits	Chocolate	Sweets	
Mince pies	Christmas puddings	Jam	Chutney	
Cakes	Dried fruit	Nuts		

Non-edible luxury items e.g. Xmas candles

**Tickets - £1 each**

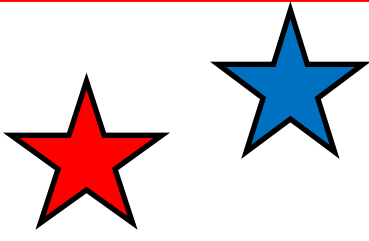
10 tickets will be sent home with each child soon!

If you want more, please ask Rachel/Cass/school office staff

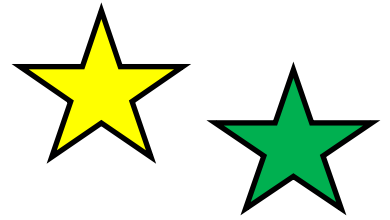
Please return ticket stubs with cash or cheques made payable to 'Friends of Cradley School' to the office by **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

**Draw on Friday December 20th @3pm on the school playground**

**Please support our school!**



# WEEKLY AWARDS



<b>HAZEL CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Freddie  Blake for being a superstar during our warm up songs in PE this week. William for his amazing listening and attention during circle time
<b>MAPLE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Philip Billy-Joe for his fantastic problem solving when we were building bridges. Arthur for his engagement in maths and remembering difficult maths words.
<b>SYCAMORE CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Ben C Jesse for using the resource table and being independent in his learning. Owen for supporting and helping a younger child in the class.
<b>BIRCH CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	William Byron for becoming a free reader. Sophie for working so hard with her writing.
<b>OAK CLASS</b> <b>Friendship Award</b> <b>Stars of the Week</b>	Sophie Charlie: despite a foot injury, showing resilience and focus in all lessons. Thomas for his excellent and thoughtful contributions in lessons.
<b>HEAD TEACHER AWARD</b>	Johnny and Poppy for their voluntary work with Cradley Wild. Ayvah for amazing progress with independent writing.



# Hazel News



What a surprise we had on Tuesday.....waking up to snow, snow, and more snow!!

The nursery children had a great time on the field running and rolling around the field, throwing snowballs and having a go at making snowmen.

Back inside they warmed up with hot chocolate, marshmallows and croissants.





# Maple Class

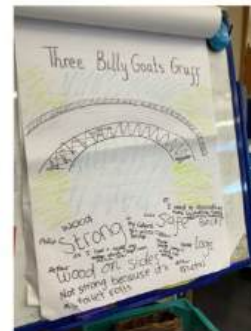
This week the children have really enjoyed being creative. We watched 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff' story, and once we had discussed what bridges are for and why the goats needed to use them in the story, the children set out to make their own bridges.

Our topic lesson has brought lots of fantastic discussions to our classroom. The children have thought about everyday materials and weight, which have brought elements of science and maths into their learning.

Well done Maple Class!



20th November 2024  
Building Bridges





# Sycamore Class



*In Class we have been learning about uses of materials. This week we have been carrying out simple tests on different types of paper to see which is the most absorbant, strong and smooth.*

**PIC•COLLAGE**



*Class 2 have been learning about making good choices. The children had fun discussing different scenarios and sorting them into good choices and bad choices.*

**PIC•COLLAGE**



## Birch Class

This week Birch Class have been exploring how to make and paint with powder.





# Oak Class





# 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.



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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.

  
CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## After School Club Christmas Party

Save the Date

The After School Club Christmas Party is  
on Thursday 12th December 2024.



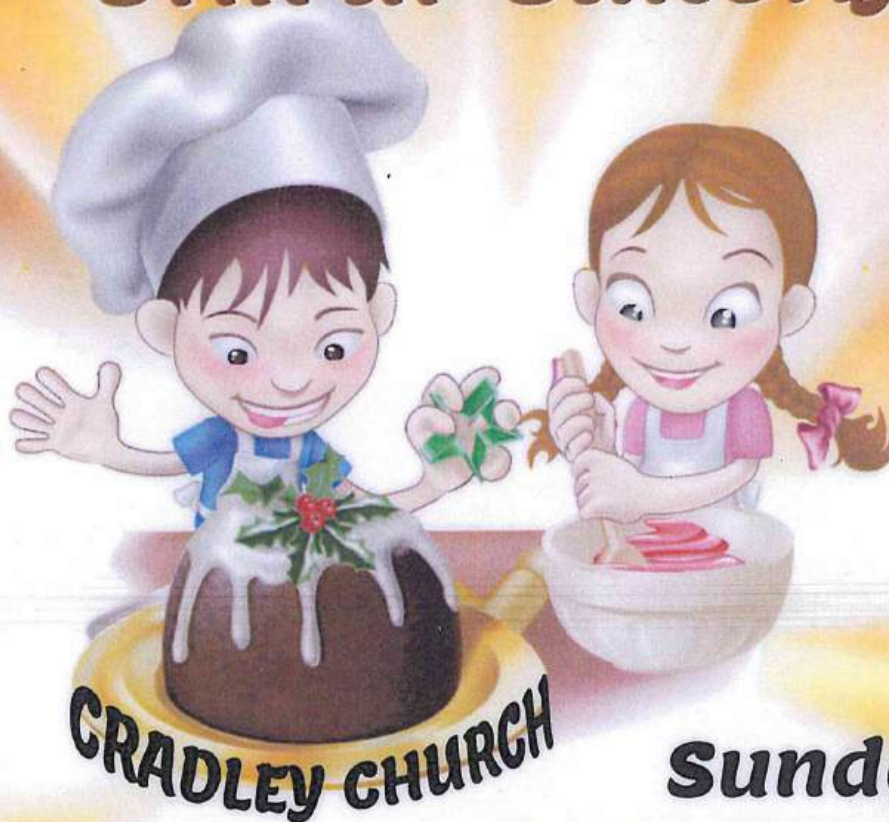
Please book on School  
Money as usual.





# IT'S CHRISTMAS PUDDING TIME

## STIR UP SUNDAY



**Sunday**  
**24th November**  
**3pm-5pm**

**Come along and have fun stirring up your own  
Christmas Pudding**

**We supply the ingredients (at cost)**

**You supply the bowl and the elbow grease**

**( no mixers here!)**

**Further information: Julia ☎ 01886 880402**  
**Email: ✉ [julia.maclagan@btinternet.com](mailto:julia.maclagan@btinternet.com)**



# BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

by Alex Jackson



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

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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Saturday 23rd November 2024



1:30pm - 3pm (1.15pm for NCT members)



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College Road, WR14 3DF  
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Tickets on sale now for only £1.50! or £2 cash on the door

Scan QR code to visit our Facebook event for more information



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**Parents and guardians:** Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

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