



School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DECEMBER	
Friday 11th	Christmas dress up day – please bring an item for the FOCS hampers
Monday 14th	Christmas cards to be brought in by today
Tuesday 15th	Virtual pantomime
Wednesday 16th	Christmas party day
Thursday 17th	Virtual carols for parents
Friday 18th	Carols in Coats End of term
JANUARY	
Wednesday 6th	Term starts

VALUE OF THE MONTH - PEACE

Psalm 29:11

“May the Lord give strength to his people. May the Lord bless his people with peace”

Chosen by Mrs Gleaves



Christmas at Cradley

Hello everyone



I cannot believe how quickly we are approaching Christmas. Our aim over the next two weeks is to keep everyone Covid free and limit the number of contacts children are having so we have decided not to resume after school sports club s until the New Year. We want children to have a great Christmas whilst being aware of Covid restrictions and keeping everyone safe.

Christmas Cards

Children can bring in cards for their friends and staff. They should be placed in the Christmas bag in their classroom. Please write first names and initials on the front e.g. Oliver B. Cards **MUST** be in school by **Monday 14th December** so that they can be quarantined before they are handed out by the end of that week.

Nativity

This will take a very different format this year and will be filmed for you to enjoy at home.

Friday 11th – Christmas dress up day

Children can wear a Christmas jumper, could be anything sparkly, red and green, a hat, tinsel or Christmas dress up. In return we kindly ask that you send in an item to go into hampers for the FOCS Christmas raffle. This could be chocolate, wine, mince, pies, crackers, wrapping paper & tags, stuffing or a Christmas pudding for example. You should have already received raffle tickets to purchase if you so wish. The draw will take place at 3pm on Friday 18th December.

Tuesday 15th – Pantomime

Children will watch an on-line Virtual Pantomime of ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’. Late in the day the children will have a zoom call from the cast. Thank you to FOCS for paying for this.

Wednesday 16th – Christmas Party Day

Children will need to order a party lunch via School Money by **Friday 11th December** (not Black Pepper) at a cost of £2.50 for KS2 and Nursery children and a £1 contribution for KS1 children if they would like to join in. This will be followed by party games in bubbles and a virtual visit from you know who!

Thursday 17th – Carol Service

Our traditional service of readings and Carols will be recorded this year and a link will be sent home.

Friday 18th – last day of term

Carols in Coats – all children will assemble in their coats in bubbles on the playground ready to go home and will sing Christmas Carols. Please join us as you arrive at pick up. Please socially distance on the playground and wear a face mask or face covering. The FOCS hamper draw will take place at 3pm.

If any details above change we will let you know.
 Mrs Jones

Food Bank

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Harvest Foodbank appeal. We have a box outside the main door for regular donations plus any items you can kindly donate to their Christmas Appeal. Thank you for your support.



Hereford Food Bank

Christmas Wish List

Gift Vouchers for supermarkets so that we can buy perishable goods

Assorted Nuts

Jams, preserves & spreads

Easy Cook Rice

Pet Food

Toiletries for Men, Women & Children

Chocolate coins & Stocking Fillers for ALL ages (Unwrapped)

Boxes of Biscuits

Fruit Juice

Household Cleaning Products

Condensed Milk

Cash Donations allow us to buy Extra Fresh Food

Christmas Food Hampers are to be distributed from 16th December and the latest date for Christmas Food donations is **Mon 14th December**

Please see our Facebook page for location details for donations and our opening times

Thank You

Attendance

Well done to Class 3 who have had 98.55% attendance this week. They get to look after Alfie the Attendance Bear next week. Please can we remind parents that late arrivals after the registers close at 8.55am count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.

Class 1 – 92.55%

Whole school – 95.1%

Class 2 – 93.88%

Class 3 – 98.55%

Class 4 – 95.86%

Class 5 – 95.0%




Herefordshire Council

Important notice

Reception admissions for 2021-2022

Do you have a child born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017?

If so you will need to apply for a school place by **15 January 2021** (to commence September 2021)

Applications can be completed from 14 September 2020 online at: www.herefordshire.gov.uk/reception-class-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

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★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

- Nursery -** Ayvah for being kind and caring towards her friends
Kyra-Louise for being really helpful and kind
- Class 1 –** Faith for showing such a positive attitude on her return to school
Dylan for trying his best rehearsing for the Nativity
- Class 2 -** Arian for perseverance with money problems in Maths
George for beautiful clear reading as a narrator in the Nativity
- Class 3 –** Keerah for trying really hard with her writing
Mia for always having a positive attitude and being ready to learn
- Class 4 –** Adam for being reflective in Maths when thinking about prime numbers
Leyla for taking pride in her pop art self portrait
- Class 5 -** Bryn for being reflective and sharing his thinking in Maths
Eddie for being reflective and showing empathy in English





NURSERY NEWS



In Nursery we started the week finishing our topic of 'Wild Animals' by making giraffe handprint pictures and doing some animal dancing. On Tuesday we carried out a Science activity to see if the sugar in the tiger's tea would dissolve quicker in cold or warm water. On Wednesday we made playdough, then used it to make characters from our book of the week 'The Gruffalo's Child'. When we arrived on Thursday morning we had had a surprise visitor overnight who left footprints in the doorway and had turned Nursery into a Christmas wonderland!! We even have our own igloo which the children have been decorating. We ended the week cooking some gingerbread men.



Toy Bank

If you are struggling to buy gifts for children this year due to lost income, low income or just because you are short please let me know. I can get you access to a local toy bank which is full of good quality secondly hand toys which have been donated and are free to you. All I have to do is send an email and let them know you are going to visit.

Please get in touch on my email head@cradley.hereford.sch.uk and I can arrange it for you.



Friends of Cradley School

NEWS

You can still place additional orders for your Christmas cards online at www.classfundraising.co.uk and school will receive 10% commission on these.

You should all have received your Christmas raffle tickets to purchase, if you need any more please come to Reception.

We will be organising a Christmas pop up stall where children can buy gifts for Mums and Dads – more details to follow!

The last few bottles of apple juice are still for sale in reception at £2 a bottle and are also available to purchase at Cradley butchers.

Also if you need any name labels for your child/ren then don't forget to order through Stikins® using our fundraising number 5163 at www.stikins.co.uk. FOCS will receive a small donation for every order received.

Thank you for your continued support!

FOCS Christmas Raffle

This year has been a little different, but as Christmas approaches, Cradley CE Primary School is, as always, getting in the spirit of the season by hosting a raffle. Please get involved and support our school!

Donations

We are looking for donations for the prizes, which will be a Christmas hamper from each year group and one for the staff. Please bring donations into school on the **morning of Friday 11th December**.

Festive donations can be food/drink e.g.:

Wine Beer Cider Spirits Non-alcoholic drinks
Crackers Biscuits Chocolate Sweets

Tickets cost £1 each and will be sent home with children from school.

5 tickets will be issued per family, but if you want more please ask Kitty/Rachel/Cass.

Please return ticket stubs and money to school by **Wednesday 16th December**.

Draw on Friday 18th December at 3pm



Cradley CE Primary School

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

Put Us On Your
CHRISTMAS LIST

PLEASE BUY AN EXTRA TICKET OR A LOTTERY GIFT VOUCHER because everyone wants to give (or receive) the chance to win **£25,000**

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