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CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Newsletter

SCHOOL CALENDAR

FEBRUARY	
Friday 12th	Half term
Monday 22nd	Back to school
Date TBC	Parents evening

VALUE OF THE MONTH – HOPE

Jeremiah 29:11

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”



Message from Mrs Jones

Dear Parents,

I am extremely proud of everyone in our school community for their hard work and commitment to home learning and working in school in such difficult circumstances. Our learning platform Seesaw is now working well for most people, after some initial glitches. It's lovely to see children each day through Zoom, either in collective worship, class teaching time or social time for Key Stage two. This really helps to keep in contact with our friends and colleagues. Everyone is doing an amazing job and although at times it may feel stressful and exhausting, remember you are doing better than you think.

You may have heard that Covid testing will begin in primary schools and nurseries very soon. This is very welcome as it will help to give those staff working in school the reassurance that those around them are Covid free. We have received supplies of the 30 minute lateral flow tests being used in secondary schools. The testing will begin with staff and they will administer them at home and report results to track and trace. We do believe that this may be rolled out for all children attending school and again these will be carried out by parents at home. These tests are currently optional but we advise everyone to get involved to help to stop the transmission of this virus within our community.

Please remember to follow the rules and stay safe. Although Herefordshire is currently still below the national average and much lower than some inner city areas, it is still very much part of our community and is affecting those we know and love. We must all continue to do our part to stop the transmission of the virus and to enable us to get Covid back under control. Hopefully this will not take too long and we will soon be able to return to normal life and routines, meaning that we can see everyone again soon.

Take care and God bless

Mrs Jones

LAPTOPS

Due to generous offers of groups and individuals in our community we have been able to loan out iPads and laptops to those children who need them to do home learning. Thank you so much for your generous offers. We have also received five brand new laptops from the DFE. If anyone else in our school community would like to borrow one to make home learning easier to access, please get in touch with the office.



School & Remote Learning



In KS1 music we had to sing to a toy and have that toy dance to a pulse - KS1 key worker superheroes chose to have dancing dinosaurs!



Catching up with friends whilst learning on a Zoom call



KS2 art – preparing a clay surface for Ice Age painting lesson next week



Break time football fun



Group work in Class 4 – we also use this room for Joe Wicks in the mornings!



Our lovely lunchtime supervisors having fun!

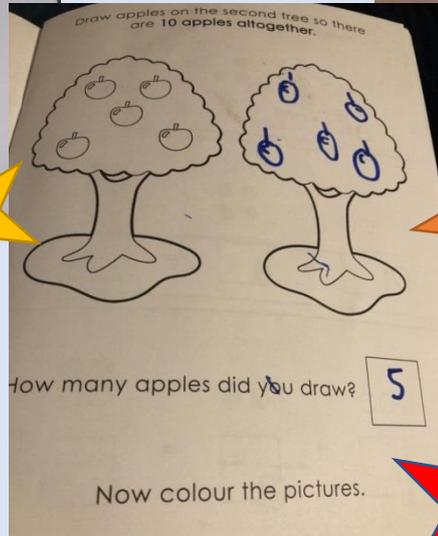
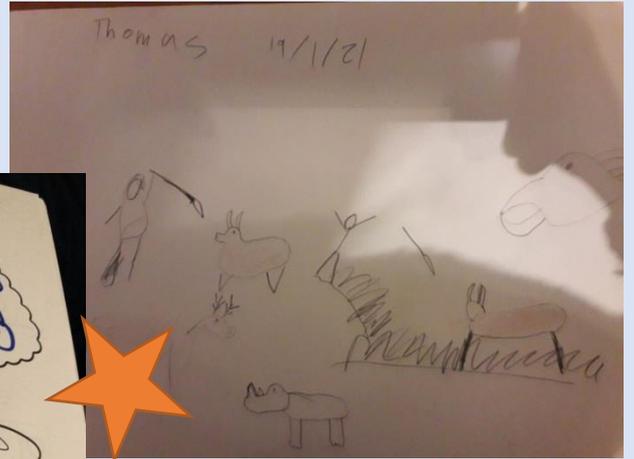


Cross country on Tuesday afternoons



Laps at 8.45am

School & Remote Learning



Well done

to last week's Kahoot quiz winners:

Year 3/4

- 1st Jack C
- 2nd Ollie H
- 3rd Delilah

Year 5/6

- 1st Raphael
- 2nd Ruby
- 3rd Albert



THANK YOU!

A massive thank you and well done to Beth (with a bit of help from Mum!) who has been very busy making face masks and selling them to locals in order to raise funds for school. She raised an amazing £37!!! What a brilliant and thoughtful gesture, thank you so much Beth and family.

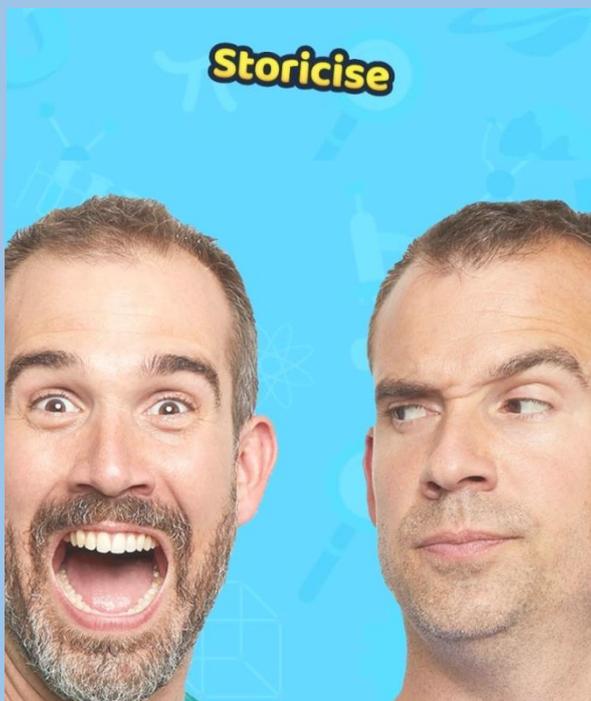


Welcome

A huge welcome to Teagan who joins us as a final year teaching student from the University of Worcester. She will be based in Class 4 and we look forward to working with her until Easter.

Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and we are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. We have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. We also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about our incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.

If you would like to subscribe visit <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - (it's completely free to subscribe!)



Helping to support the love of learning and the joy of creating with interactive activities and videos that support adventure and discovery.

A new website has been launched to provide interactive activities to help primary and secondary age children better understand coronavirus testing, how to stay safe and support them through the impact of COVID-19.

For more information visit: www.storicise.com

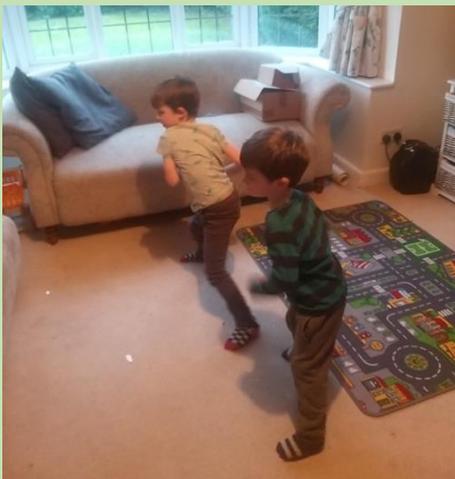
PE Challenge

Well done to all those that have taken part in our “Virtually Cradley” Active challenge.

There are some participation prizes making their way out to some of the children. We have been overwhelmed by the uptake and support from parents in getting the recommended 60minutes of activity for the children of Cradley Primary. Don't worry if you haven't got a prize this time or haven't started the challenges, there is still plenty of time to get active at home!



Keep it up everyone!





NURSERY NEWS



This week for PE we all enjoyed dancing around to music and warming up to our animal songs. We stretched up tall like giraffes, stomped like elephants, flew like an eagle, snapped like a crocodile, ran like a tiger and many more animals. For our main activity we had to feed the hungry shark! We had to balance across our beams and cross stepping stones whilst holding onto the shark's food, but we had to be careful not to drop the food into the ocean! Once we made it to the end of the obstacle course we had to throw the food into the shark's mouth and then balance a beanbag on our hands for the journey back. We've also been busy in the kitchen making pizzas. We practised our cutting skills when cutting up the vegetables to go on our pizzas. The mud slide has been popular and we even found a big muddle puddle to jump in after the heavy rain!



STARS OF THE WEEK



NURSERY	James for a brilliant return to nursery Oscar for confidently trying new activities
RECEPTION	Harvey for fantastic knowledge of the African Big 5
YEAR 1	Dexter for working consistently hard with his home learning, particularly with his handwriting
YEAR 2	Becky for fantastic work produced at home and for working so hard on her 3x tables
YEAR 3	Joseph for excellent home learning
YEAR 4	Ebony for excellent home learning
YEAR 5	Leyla V for persistence with home learning
YEAR 6	Leila M for taking pride in her work, especially the way she has responded to feedback
SPORTS	Dan B for putting a twist on his activities Joseph for involving his whole family in his activities this week Ollie E for his brilliant attitude and for doing his activities with a smile



Well done everyone – we are so proud of you!



Friends of Cradley School

NEWS

During these challenging times, fundraising is more important than ever and we appreciate your continued support to help raise vital funds for school. Thank you to Beth for raising £37 with her lovely face masks!

Whilst we are unable to carry on with our usual fundraising events, please continue to support FOCS by using the online shopping app Easy Fundraising and by signing up to the School Lottery, where you could be in with a chance of winning up to £25,000!!

