

**'Great oaks from little acorns grow'**  
**Spring term (1) 2017 – Week 2**

**This half term's Value: Hope**

Hope is the thing with feathers,  
That perches in the soul,  
And sings the tune without the  
words  
And never stops at all.  
- *Emily Dickinson*



**This week...**

As you may have heard (or seen on the front of the Ross Gazette), we have been featured within this month's edition of Tatler Magazine in their 'The Most Marvellous State Schools Guide in Britain'. We are, of course, thrilled and would like to say a great big thank you to the parents who initially nominated us.

**Llangrove CE Academy**

*Herefordshire*

**PUPILS** 52 boys and girls, aged 4-11

A teeny-tiny school with just over 50 pupils in three classes - but golly, it's a good one. A mother emails: 'When I looked around Llangrove, the children were coming in from break and one handed me a flower on her way past, which was pretty compelling.' Llangrove is a largeish village (one pub, one school), 15 minutes north of Monmouth in a glorious valley. Deputy head Sarah Dean is, says a mother, 'lovely and very down to earth', and there are two 'fantastic' male teachers. There's great focus on good manners (pupil behaviour was rated Outstanding by Ofsted), and strong links with the church and the local community. We're impressed with the IT provision - lots of laptops, iPads and interactive whiteboards in each classroom. Pupils praise the after-school sports clubs, swimming lessons in Monmouth in the summer, theatre trips to Hereford and an annual whole-school expedition - one year they went to Barry Island, which must have been a whole lot of fun.



**This Week's Superstars:**

- Acorn Class**  
Oliver R
- Beech Class**  
Grace
- Oak Class**  
Sam



**Class Mascots**

- Acorn Class:**  
Lily
- Beech Class:**  
Leo
- Oak Class:**  
Ethan



**Team of the Week**

WYE



**Good to Be Green**

Well done to all pupils who have been 'Green' all week.

**Maths Ambassadors...**



On Thursday Sam & William spent the day at Hereford FC with 30 pupils from other schools, including schools from the Federation. The day was full of Numicon based maths activities, which the children loved taking part in. They came away full of enthusiasm with certificates of achievement and are looking forward to 'teaching' pupils from Year 2 and Year 3 maths, using numicon.



As an extra treat the children were given a tour of the football ground and changing rooms and came away with their hands full of Hereford FC goodies.

**This week in English & Maths the children have been focusing on the following objectives:**

	<b>SPaG &amp; English</b>	<b>Maths</b>
<b>Acorn Class</b>	Reception and Year 1 have been creating alternative endings to our story "Whatever next."	We have been using a number line – moving up and down in varying size of 'jumps'.
<b>Beech Class</b>	We have been spelling words ending in -el,- il or -al. In T4W we 'boxed up' our story and then planned and wrote our own adaptations of 'The Tunnel'.	We have been ordering and comparing numbers using >, < and = (Y2: 0 to 100; Y3: up to 1000) We have also been learning & recalling multiplication facts. We need to keep practicing these at home too ☺ <b>Y2:</b> x2, x5 and x 10 (x3, x4) <b>Y3:</b> x3, x4, x6, x7 and x8
<b>Oak Class</b>	We have been using hyphens to avoid confusion, using the mnemonic... 'punctuation saves lives!' We have also planned our own portal tale story to start next week.	<b>Y4:</b> Using the grid method of multiplication for 2/3 digit x 1-digit numbers <b>Y5:</b> Using the grid method of multiplication for 3/4 digit x 2-digit numbers <b>Y6:</b> Using the grid method of multiplication for 4 digit x 2-digit numbers



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ~ SPRING 2016



Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Art & Football Clubs start
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Goodchild Club starts
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 HMFA Multi-skills, Hereford Leisure Centre (please see letter dated 12.1.16)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	NSPCC Assemblies (KS1 and KS2) followed by Y5 & Y6 Workshop
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Young Voices – Lord Scudamore drop off & collection
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Y6 Oakerwood Payment due



Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	PTFA meeting at 7.30pm in school. All welcome ☺
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent Celebration Assembly</li> <li>• Year 5 London Trip – Final Payment</li> </ul>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	HALF TERM



Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tempest Photography class photos
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Governors meeting (6.15pm)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 London Trip
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Moving Targets – technical rehearsal
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Moving Targets performances
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	HMFA Rugby



Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Term ends (2pm finish)
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## Forest Schools Timetable

### Spring (1)

<b>Week 3</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>KS2 (Y3 and Oak Class)</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>KS1 plus Y3 and Y6</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>KS2</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>NO FOREST SCHOOLS</b>

### HALF TERM

### Spring (2)

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>NO FOREST SCHOOLS</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>KS1 (Acorn Class &amp; Year 2)</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>KS2 (Y3 and Oak Class)</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>KS1</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>KS2</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Whole School</b>
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>NO FOREST SCHOOLS</b>

### EASTER HOLIDAYS



Today's fun in the snow with Leapfrogs!