

'Great oaks from little acorns grow'



**Summer Term (1) 2025**



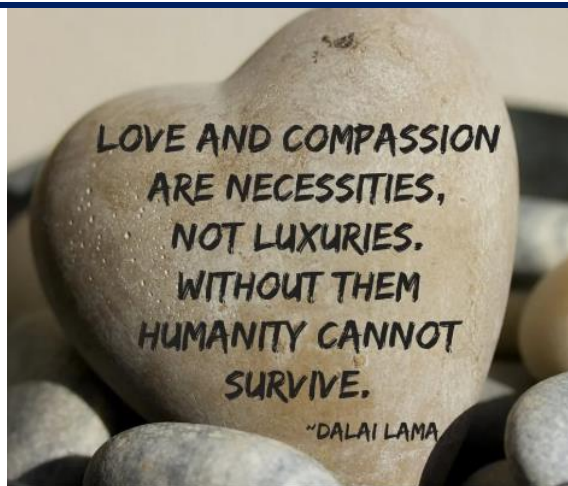
**Week 3 & 4**

**Llangrove CE Academy Vision & Ethos**

"A tree is known by the kind of fruit it bears." – Matthew 12 v33

"Keep your roots deep in Him and your lives built on Him." – Colossians 2:7

**Our value for this Summer half term is Nurture ~ Compassion**  
**In Summer term 2 our Value is Service**



Dear Lord,  
Thank you that you listen to our prayers  
and to the cries of others  
Please help me to reflect your goodness  
to those around me.  
Help me to see opportunities where I can  
be the good today to whoever needs it.  
Lord, give me strength to not grow weary  
in doing good.  
Inspire us with ideas to help us be  
changemakers  
To make a difference in the world  
And to not give up until we see a  
change.  
Amen

~ Mark Harrington, Hereford Diocese



**Team of the Week**

Wk 3	Wk 4
<b>GARRON</b>	<b>MALLEY</b>



**Superstars**

Nurture ~ Compassion	Wk 3	Wk 4
<b>Acorn Class:</b>	Persephone	Asawin
<b>Beech Class:</b>	Eska	Dylan J
<b>Maple Class:</b>	Annabell	Jiajing
<b>Oak Class:</b>	Year 6	



**May Birthdays...**

Rocco-George,  
Woodrow, Pixie, Finlay,  
Ariadne & Fionnlagh



**Sports Stars**

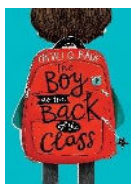
	Wk 3	Wk 4
<b>Acorn Class:</b>	Eli and Harvey	Acorn Class
<b>Beech Class:</b>	Fionnlagh	Year 3
<b>Maple Class:</b>	Hero	Isaac, Olly and Savannah
<b>Oak Class:</b>	Alfie	-

**Lunchtime Table of the Week:**

Wk 3	Wk 4

Class Story	English & SPaG	Maths
Acorn Class	Curricular Theme: Around the World 🌍	
	<p><b>Year 1</b> have been exploring some of the grammatical features in the story of 'Handa's Surprise'. We have been writing sentences with a range of punctuation and learning the rules on how to make different words plural. We have created some super sentences innovating what was in Handa's basket remembering those rules.</p> <p><b>Reception</b> have been innovating the story to make it their own. We have changed the fruit and even Handa's journey, using our phonics to write some super stories!</p>	<p><b>Year 1</b> have continued exploring numbers to 100. They have been partitioning numbers into tens and ones and using that knowledge to write addition and subtraction number sentences, find the missing number in number sentences and compare number sentences.</p> <p><b>Reception</b> have been exploring the composition of numbers to 10. We explored that numbers 6,7,8,9 and 10 all have a 5 and a bit structure to them and used that to help us in spotting and representing those numbers. We have also been learning our number bonds to 10- we are getting very quick at recalling our number bonds!</p>
 <b>Outdoor Learning</b>		
<p>We had great fun at outdoor learning last week. We carried the fruit on our heads just like Handa in our story, painted the characters in the story using mud, made dens to keep the animals away from our fruit, made some delicious looking fruit cupcakes and even made an animal trap. Lots of fun in the sun! 🌻</p>		
    		
Beech Class	Curricular Theme: Earthquakes & Volcanoes	
	<p>In our lessons this week we have considered nouns and verbs to describe the parts and actions of volcanoes. Using these words the children wrote Kenning poems. See below the shared poem we created as a class.</p>	<p>In Maths, we have completed our unit on time and moved on to fractions. This week, we looked at wholes and parts of a whole linking e.g. the whole is the bottle and the water is part of the whole. Year 3 also focused on tenths.</p>
<b>Volcano Kenning Poem</b>		
<p>Mountain-burster, Fireball-thrower, Lava-flower, Fire-releaser, Steam-starter, Crater-maker, Tectonic plates-shaker, Magma-chamber-emptier, Igneous rock-creator, Ash cloud-puffer, People-terrifier.</p>		
 <b>Outdoor Learning</b>		
<p>A team activity this week was to plan and make the most interesting clock - analogue or digital. We created dens for some of our characters from our story writing and then had a go at racing tyres down a slope.</p>		
   		
<p>We took a look at our school garden and observed how the fruit and vegetable garden was changing.</p>		



**Maple Class****Curricular Theme: The Ancient Greeks**

In English, we have been innovating our sections so that we can write our Hot Task after the half term. We are focusing on adding detail to keep our readers hooked and to move the story along in an effective way. We have worked on up leveling our writing by using ambitious vocabulary throughout.

Year 4 have been working hard on their times tables with a big push on their reaction time. The children have all had a go at the MTC Give it a Go process so that they are familiar with questions and speed in which they have to answer. It would be beneficial for them to access TT Rockstars and any other practice in the run up to the check.

Year 5 have been finding fractions of amounts and how they are equivalent to dividing by a fraction and multiplying by a fraction. They have worked hard and I am really proud of their hard work.

**Science**

In our unit of 'Properties and Changes of Materials', we have focused on reversible and irreversible changes. We did three experiments: Bicarbonate of soda and vinegar, milk and vinegar and finally, mint and coca cola. We made a mess with our irreversible changes and thoroughly enjoyed it!

Have a look at the videos on Seesaw!

**Oak Class ~ Week of Activities and Adventures ☺**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May** ~ Oak Class joined Years 6s from all HMFA schools for a day of activities: a movie morning, lunch in Hereford town and an afternoon tackling an inflatable assault course at Lord Scudamore Academy.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May ~ Ysgryd Fawr (The Skirrid) walk**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Residential at Oaker Wood with Year 6s from across the HMFA. We look forward to hearing about your days and nights away after half term Year 6. ☺



### School Games Multi-skills event in Hereford ~ Year 3s.

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>, Year 3 spent a fun afternoon with representatives from Bishops Bluecoat School in Hereford. The Year 9 students planned and organised all the activities and there were a huge array of games and skills for our Year 3's to have a go at.

"I liked the team games with the ball and we worked together as a team" Eska

"I liked the student who let us play Bulldogs. I like that game." Ed

"They gave us good instructions" Jazmine



### Whole School Multi-skills

Inspired by Year 3s' Wednesday trip, this afternoon the whole school enjoyed a carousel of multi-skills on the field.

### Cycling & Scooting to school...

Its lovely to see our new bike and scooter pod being used by so many and on a daily basis. Thank you, School Council, for giving myself and Mrs Deloyde the thumbs up for arranging it to be installed. Acorn Class will also use it when they are using the balance bikes and scooters on the playground.





### Gritter visit on a sunny day in June...

Following a snow day in November, Year 6 decided to write to Herefordshire council and our local MP, Jesse Norman, to request for the surrounding roads to be added to the gritting route. They also designed websites detailing their requests. They were pleased to receive replies from Jesse Norman MP as well as the Head of Highways and Traffic for Herefordshire Council, Ed Bradford.



Mr Bradford then arranged for a brand-new gritter called 'Who Dares Grits' to visit the school and answer questions the pupils had about the important job they do for the county. It was a strange site to have a gritter on such a hot, sunny day but the children loved seeing it. Thank you Year 6 and Mr Fox.



### Outdoor learning timetable

Pupils to wear outdoor clothing to school, with wellingtons/outdoor boots/shoes in a bag, plus sunhat.

SUMMER 2	Day & Date	Location	Class/es
Wk 1	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	School	Oak
Wk 2	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	School	Acorn
Wk 3	<b>Sports Week</b>		
Wk 4	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	School	Maple
Wk 5	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	School	Beech
Wk 6	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Nature Reserve	Oak
Wk 7	<b>No Outdoor Learning</b>		



## Mental Health & Wellbeing and Online Safety Guidance

Mental health and well-being, along with using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in Llangrove CE Academy throughout the year.



This free guide explores Minecraft – a gaming favourite for children and adults alike. It highlights the potential risks, including online strangers, in-game bullying and unintended spending.

With its limitless opportunities for building, exploring and collaborating, Minecraft remains a global gaming phenomenon. Its broad appeal lies in how open-ended it is – but this also means it's not without risk. From chatting with strangers on public servers to the grief of having a beloved creation destroyed, young players can face challenges if left unsupervised. Minecraft can also become a time sink for enthusiastic players, with late nights spent crafting and constructing, potentially impacting school and

social lives.

This free guide to help parents and educators understand how to keep young gamers safe – from choosing age-appropriate game modes to setting boundaries around screen time and spending.

## News & upcoming Events



Ice-pops will continue to be on sale on Fridays:

Except:

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June (Sports Day)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July (HMFA Athletics)



We will be having an '**Recycle with Michael**' collection day in the week beginning the **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June**. If you and your family have any clothes, bags and shoes/boots that you no longer need please put them in the Recycle with Michael bag and/or a plastic bag and bring them into school by **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June**.



The Salvation Army will collect the bags and the money raised from the items will be shared with the school. **The more bags we fill – the more cash we raise!** 😊



MyClothing have a NEW discount code for parents to use when shopping with them. It gives everyone a 10% discount until the end of May. Code = **MYCSS10%** Expires = 31/05/2025



A reminder that we have a clothes rail full of used & good condition school uniform, including summer dresses, available in the school reception area.



# Our Community...

## Saturday 24th May

## Llangrove Village Hall

## 11am - 4pm

# CELEBRATING OUR Wild Side

**Guided walk**  
**9.00 - 10.00:** Guided bird watching.  
 Led by John Pullen of Herefordshire Ornithology Club

**10.30 - 11.30:** Introduction to Tretawdy Farm Nature Reserve.  
 Led by Sue Parkinson HWT Volunteer

**11.00 - 12.00:** Explore the trees of interest in Llangrove.  
 Led by Barbara Fisher, Tree Warden.

Please wear long trousers and sleeves. Strong shoes for all the walks.  
 Bring binoculars if you have them. Meet at Llangrove Village Hall.

**Interactive session:**  
**11.30 Bugs and beasts:**  
 Richard Fishbourne - Wild Things Tent

**Dark Skies heroes and villains art competition awards**  
**13.30 - The Wild Hall**

**Talks: Christ Church, Llangrove**  
**14.00:** Nature and Wellbeing - Dr Margaret Tilley

**15.00:** Birds of Herefordshire: John Pullen - Herefordshire Ornithology Club

Meet the experts:  
birds, trees, flowers,  
gardens and more.

Identify the skull  
Mask and crown making  
Sow a wild flower bank  
Dissect a barn owl pellet



## Dates for Your Diary – Summer (2) 2025



**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May ~ (Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May)**







	<b>Cookery Club (YR-2) ~ Mrs Rowson</b> <b>Athletics (Y3-6) ~ Mr. Fox</b>	<b>Rounders ~ YR – Y6</b> Mrs Townson & Miss Harray
<b>Wk 1</b>	Monday 2nd June	Wednesday 4th June
<b>Wk 2</b>	Monday 9th June	Wednesday 11th June
<b>Wk 3</b>	Monday 16th June	Wednesday 18th June
<b>Wk 4</b>	Monday 23rd June	Wednesday 25th June
<b>Wk 5</b>	Monday 30th June	Wednesday 2nd July
<b>Wk 6</b>	No Clubs	
<b>Wk 7</b>		



## SWIMMING LESSONS – Oak Class

	<b>Wk 1</b>	<b>Wk 2</b>	<b>Wk 3</b>	<b>Wk 4</b>	<b>Wk 5</b>
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>



Wk 1	Monday 2nd	Summer term (2) begins
	Monday 2nd – Friday 13th	Year 4 Multiplication Screening Check (2-week period)
	Thursday 5th	<b>Open Classroom</b> An opportunity for your child to share their books with you in our classrooms 3:20 ~ 5:30pm
	Friday 6th	 <b>Recycle with Michael</b> – please bring donations of unrequired clothes and shoes/boots in a bag to school by Friday 6th. Collection will be Monday 9th
Wk 2	Monday 9th – Friday 13th	Year 1 Phonic screening check (& Y2 retakes if required)
	Wednesday 11th <b>*CHANGE OF DATE*</b>	 <b>Year 6 Leavers photograph with Tempest</b> (rescheduled from Friday 6th)
	Thursday 12th	Llangrove Trustees Board meeting – 6:15pm
Wk 3	Mon 16th – Fri 20th	Sports Week
	Friday 20th	 <b>Sports Day</b> – 1:15pm start (gates open at 1pm ~ please bring your own seats)
	Thursday 26th	 <b>Year 6 Leavers Service</b> , Hereford Cathedral
Wk 4	Friday 27th	Reserve Sports Day!



Wk 5	Monday 30th – Friday 4th	
	Wednesday 2nd <b>*NEW*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Reception pupils' transition meeting @ 4:30pm</li> </ul>
	Thursday 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Reception pupils' transition morning</li> <li>Transition morning for Year 1 (to Beech Class), Year 3 (to Maple Class) &amp; Y5 (to Oak Class)</li> </ul>
Wk 6	Thursday 10th	 <b>Teddy Bears Picnic Lunch</b> – all children to bring teddy/cuddly toy – all children will be eating 'al fresco' on the school field (weather permitting)
Wk 7	Wednesday 16th	Year 6 End of Year Show ~ 5:30pm in school hall
	Thursday 17th <b>*NEW*</b>	<b>Children non-uniform day followed by PTFA Disco &amp; Year 6 'Prom'</b> 3:30 – 5pm
	Friday 18th	Year 6 Leavers service ~ 1pm
		Last day of term (2pm finish)
	Monday 21st	STAFF INSET Day

SUMMER HOLIDAYS