

Achievements
Creativity
Opportunity
Resilience
Nurture
Service

'Great oaks from little acorns grow'

Autumn Term (2) 2023 ~ Week 1



Our 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

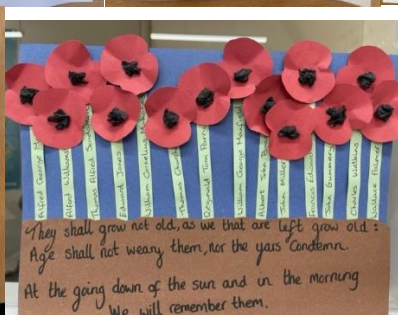
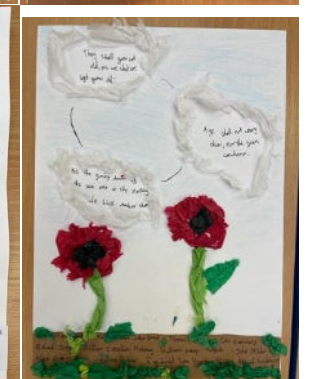
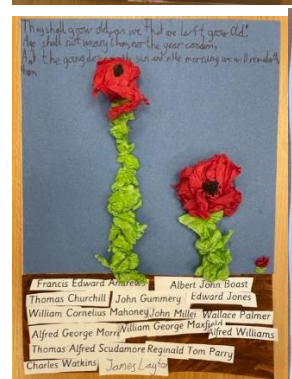
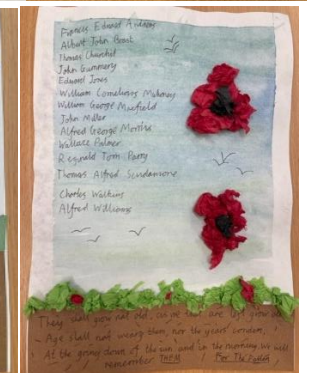
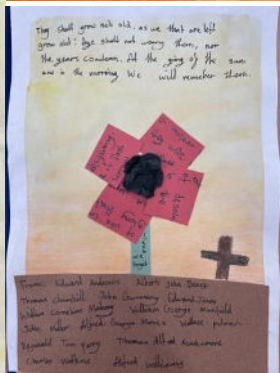
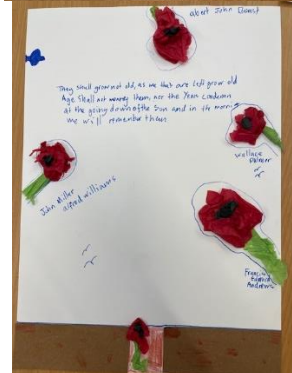
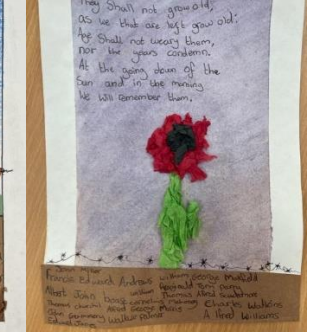
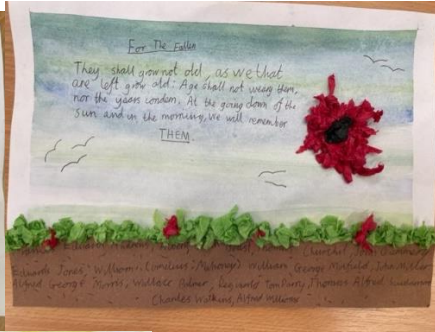


Our ACORNS focus for this half term is CREATIVITY & Wisdom



November Birthdays...

Samuel, Bryn, Jacob S, Neve, Sophia C, Ruby, Pippa, Persephone



Remembrance Artwork by Oak Class



Poppy Appeal

Thank you to all pupils, parents & carers who have purchased a poppy item this week. Thank you to Charlie for selling them during breaktimes and at the end of the school day this week.

We will of course let you know how much has been raised for the Poppy Appeal in due course.



Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child...

Thank you to everyone who has already, so kindly, filled and wrapped a shoe box for this appeal.

Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever!

See www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox

- Labels for the box/es are in the leaflet or alternatively can be printed off from

www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/label-options

Please can shoe boxes be brought into school by **Monday 13th November**. They will then be collected by volunteers from Christ Church community.



Christmas Cards...

The children have been creative with their Christmas Card designs. On Monday the children brought home their design, which parents/carers are now able to order as Christmas cards, wrapping paper & present tags. The pupils' designs have been scanned by APFS, along with their unique QR code. To order:

- 1) Visit www.apfsorders.co.uk
- 2) Enter the unique artwork code found on the reverse of your child's artwork.
- 3) Place your order - **The latest order date is Sunday 12th November.**

- Orders placed will be returned to school by the end of November.

Any orders placed after Sunday 12th November will be classed as late order by APFS and will be sent to homes with an additional P&P charge.

There is no need to return the original artwork to school



Children in Need...

We would also like to invite every pupil to come into school on **Friday 17th November** in their own clothes. We would like to ask for a donation - suggested £1 (or more 😊) for wearing your own clothes - they could be spotty like Pudsey too 😊.

Maple and Oak Class pupils may like to wear the clothes to the Harvest disco too!

Thank you,

The School Council



Wrapping up for Autumn during Playtime & PE...

With the colder & wetter weather upon us, please can all pupils have a **warm waterproof coat** in school every day. This will ensure that they are able to enjoy an outside break time play despite the autumnal weather.

We are happy for the children to bring in wellies if they wish to change into them at break & lunch time, these can be kept in school.

A reminder that **outdoor PE kit** should include navy tracksuit bottoms, trainers and a red or navy sweatshirt. Spare socks in their school bag in case their PE socks get wet are also an idea.

Please can all items of clothing & wellies be named / labelled – either with permanent pen or with adhesive/sewn on labels.



News & upcoming Events



We are on **facebook!**

Join our group to keep up to date with the latest fundraising events, community news, and school reminders.

SCAN this QR code and join today!



Or search 'Llangrove CE Academy PTFA'



Maple & Oak Class Disco

Friday 17/11/23 3:30 – 5:00pm

See details below



Acorn & Beech Class Advent

Party/Disco

Friday 1/12/23

3:30 – 5:00pm



PTFA Popcorn!...

With the weather becoming chillier, Mrs Gilmour, joint chair of the PTFA, is now selling

bags of popcorn – sweet or salty – at 20p a bag.

Children will be able to purchase on their way home or via the playground if heading home on the minibus or to Llangrove Leapfrogs' after-school club.

Face Painting
£1.00

Llangrove PTFA
PRESENTS

Oak & Maple Class SCHOOL DISCO

FRIDAY **17** NOVEMBER

3:30pm - 5:00pm

TICKETS **£4.00** INCs. entry, snack bag and unlimited squash

Ticket sales now being accepted via **BOPP**



<https://bopp.app/link/201vb>


CASH accepted on the door

2024 CALENDAR

Where We Live
2024 Calendar



Photographs taken by
children at
Llangrove CE Academy



Pre-Order NOW using
the QR code!

£5.00 each
or
2 for £8.00

Made with PosterMyWall.com

Our Community...

Llangrove Village Hall Friday Café

9.00-10.30 Coffee and wifi

Home workers welcome

10.30-12.30 Coffee and chat

12.30-2.00 Soup and a roll

2.00-4.00 Tea and biscuits

Picking the children up from school? Pop in for a break. Toys, games and company

No sessions 30th December

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

#GREENARCHENFIELD



Thurs

23rd November: 10.12.00pm Forest of Dean. Beaver Walk and Talk with Leoni Dawson from Forest England. Car share encouraged. Let us know if you'd like a lift

Could you?

- **Volunteer to support Archenfield Repair Cafe.** We only ask for your time and skills (13.30-16.30 once a month plus a 30-minute online meeting).
- **Give a little space and care** to some seedlings for the Tree Nursery.
- **Join two cleaning-up groups:** litter picking and balsam bashing.

Please contact Archenfieldceg@gmail.com or ArchenfieldRepairCafe@gmail.com if you can give a little time to join these groups. Thank you.

Is there a subject you would like us to try and cover in our talks, activities or events? Let us know at Archenfieldceg@gmail.com

#WAKEUPWEDNESDAY GUIDES & SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Please see 'What Parents & Carers Need to Know About YouTube' guide which is attached to this newsletter/email

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT
YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is tagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate material. This can include pornography and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

HIGH VISIBILITY
Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS
YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES
YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might try to copy them. However, many trends tend to be safe, but many others may have dangerous elements, such as copying, the 'pencil test' and the 'ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, as just one of many such examples.

SUGGESTED CONTENT
YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. These 'recommended' videos are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS
Popular YouTube channels regularly have influencers in the comments section, encouraging viewers to click on their phishing links. Scammers may impersonate influencers by mimicking their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Carers

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE
Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual content) to under-18 viewers. To prevent your child from changing account settings, you should enable Restricted Mode on their device. If you're using the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.

TRY GOOGLE FAMILY
Creating a Google Family account allows you to manage your child's account, including uploading and sharing with other users. It will also display their watch history, video searches and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS
YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos to 'public' or 'private'. Private videos can be shared exclusively with family and friends, and are not visible to the public. If you're not comfortable with your child uploading content online, it's worth checking their privacy settings to ensure they are protected as 'private', meaning they can only receive direct messages from strangers.





















CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS
Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. It's important to have an open discussion about this with your child and make it clear that you don't want them to be following a particular creator online. It also opens up chances for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.

MONITOR ENGAGEMENT
YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch videos different content to older ones, of course, and watch content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content of YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.












LIMIT SPENDING
Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, it's worth checking their bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child might be depleting a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!

Meet Our Expert
Clare Jordan (a.k.a. @mumof4) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing expertise on video games, reviews and gaming guides. She is the author of 'Gaming of the Future' and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.

National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

	<div>  Dates for Your Diary - Autumn 2023  </div>
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Monday 6th *NEW*	Autumn term (2)
	<div>  PE lesson Gloucester Rugby – Acorn Class and Maple Class ~ 1 of 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acorn Class to bring their PE kit Maple Class to wear their PE kit to school </div>
	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Wednesday 8th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Monday 13th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Wednesday 15th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Thursday 16th	<div>  Maple Class – session 2 of 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children to wear Forest Schools clothes for morning session and wellies </div>
	<div>  PE lesson Gloucester Rugby – Acorn Class and Maple Class ~ 2 of 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acorn Class have their PE kit in school Maple Class to bring their PE kit to school </div>
	HMFA Netball Event – Year 6 – pupils will have letters with details
Friday 17th	<div>  BBC Children in Need – fund raising day – Wear what you like Day </div>
	PTFA Autumn Disco – Maple and Oak Class pupils – see Newsletter for details
Monday 20th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Wednesday 22nd	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Thursday 23rd	<div>  Maple Class – session 3 of 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children to wear PE kit for morning PE lesson Children to bring Forest Schools clothes and wellies </div>
	<div>  PE lesson Gloucester Rugby – Acorn Class and Maple Class ~ 3 of 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acorn Class have their PE kit in school Maple Class to bring their PE kit to school </div>
Monday 27th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Wednesday 29th	<div>  3:15-4:15pm </div>
Thursday 30th	<div>  PE lesson Gloucester Rugby – Acorn Class and Maple Class ~ 4 of 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acorn Class have their PE kit in school Maple Class to wear their PE kit to school </div>
	<div>  Oak Class – session 1 of 3 </div>




















Friday 1st	Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9:10am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee
	PTFA 'Advent' event ~ Acorn & Beech class 3:30-5pm - details to follow
Monday 4th	 3:15-4:15pm – last 'Monday' Club of term
Wednesday 6th	 3:15-4:15pm – last 'Wednesday' Club of term
Thursday 7th	 Oak Class – session 2 of 3 (morning not afternoon)
	 Acorn Class Nativity 2pm matinee performance and 5:30pm performance in school hall
	 PE lesson Gloucester Rugby –Maple Class (not Acorn Class) ~5 of 6 · Acorn Class have their PE kit in school Maple Class to wear their PE kit to school
Monday 11th	No Clubs
Tuesday 12th	 Acorn & Beech Class Christmas Crafts (2:45 – 3:30pm)
Wednesday 13th	No Clubs
	 Maple & Oak Class Christmas Crafts (2:45 – 3:30 pm)
Thursday 14th	 PE lesson Gloucester Rugby – Acorn Class and Maple Class ~ 6 of 6 · Acorn Class have their PE kit in school Maple Class to wear their PE kit to school
	 Oak Class – session 3 of 3
Monday 18th	No Clubs
Tuesday 19th	 Beech, Maple & Oak Class Christmas ~ Christ Church 1:30pm Matinee & 6pm Evening performance
Wednesday 20th	No Clubs
	 Panto ~ Whole School @ Monmouth Savoy Theatre (pm)
Thursday 21st	Christmas Lunch
Friday 22nd	Christmas Songs & Carols 1:30pm – in playground – PTFA mincepies & mulled drinks available – more details to follow
	End of Autumn term – 2pm finish



A reminder that In order to aid communication between parents, carers and the school, as well as this newsletter and emails via ScholarPack, you can download **OurSchoolsApp** from Google Play Android or the Apple Store for FREE. It is a great way to keep up-to-dates with dates for your diary



	 Dates for Your Diary - Spring 2022 
<div>January</div>	
Monday 8 th	Spring term (1) begins
Monday 15 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 17 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Monday 22 nd	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 24 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Monday 29 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 31 st	 3:15-4:15pm
<div>February</div>	
Friday 2 nd	Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9:10am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee
Monday 5 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 7 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Thursday 8 th	HMFA Tag Rugby @ Bromyard – Details to follow
HALF TERM Monday 12th – Friday 16th	
Monday 19 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 21 st	 3:15-4:15pm
Monday 26 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Tuesday 27 th or Wednesday 28 th	Moving Targets – dance performance @ Courtyard Theatre, Hereford ~ Maple Class Details to follow
Wednesday 28 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Thursday 29 th	6:15pm Governors & Trustees Meeting
<div>March</div>	
Friday 1 st	Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9:10am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee
Monday 4 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 6 th	 3:15-4:15pm
Monday 11 th	Parents'/Carers' Consultation Evening Maple Class: 2pm – 5:30pm Acorn, Beech & Oak Class: 3:30pm – 5:30pm
	No Clubs
Wednesday 13 th	Parents'/Carers' Consultation Evening Oak Class: 2pm – 6pm Acorn, Beech & Maple Class: 3:30pm – 6pm
	No Clubs
Thursday 14 th	Parents'/Carers' Consultation Evening Acorn Class: 2pm – 5 pm Beech & Maple Class: 3:30pm – 5pm
Monday 18 th	No Club
Wednesday 20 th	No Club
Thursday 21 st	HMFA Y6 Football @ Sutton
Friday 22 nd	Easter Service ~ 9:15am
	End of Spring term – 2pm finish
EASTER HOLIDAYS Monday 25th March – Friday 5th April (Good Friday 29 th March & Easter Sunday 31 st March)	



Dates for Your Diary - Summer 2024



April

Monday 8th

Summer term (1) begins

May

Thursday 2nd

HMFA Football ~ Year group TBC

Friday 3rd

Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9:10am
Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee

Monday 6th

Bank Holiday
~ Llangrove May Fair

**Monday 13th –
Thursday 16th**

Year 6 SATs Assessment Week

**Monday 20th –
Friday 24th**

Year 6 Residential @ Oaker Wood

June

**Monday 3rd –
Friday 14th**

Year 4 Multiplication Screening Check 2-week period

**Monday 10th –
Friday 14th**

Year 1 Phonic screening check (& Y2 retakes)

Thursday 13th

6:15pm Governors/Trustees Meeting

Thursday 20th

HMFA Rounders

Friday 28th

Sports Day 1:15pm

July

Thursday 4th

Year 6 Transition Day @ JKHS

Friday 5th

HMFA Athletics

Friday 12th

Back Up Day for Sports Day 1:15pm (incase Fri 28th June is cancelled due to weather)

Friday 19th

Year 6 Leavers Service

Last day of term (2pm finish)

Monday 22nd

INSET

SUMMER HOLIDAY