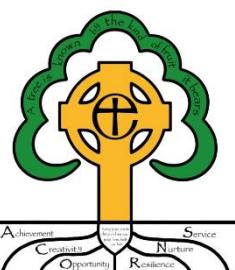




'Great oaks from little acorns grow'

## Autumn Term (2) 2025

### Weeks 4 & 5



#### Llangrove CE Academy Vision & Ethos

"A tree is known by the kind of fruit it bears." – Matthew 12:33

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

Our **ACORNS** focus for this half term is **Creativity**

Our Worship Value for this half term is **Wisdom**



#### Superstars

Creativity & Wisdom	Wk 4	Wk 5
Acorn Class:	Robyn	Archie
Beech Class:	Pixie	Olivia
Maple Class:	Millie	Woodrow
Oak Class:	Lily	Penny



#### Sports Stars

	Wk 4	Wk 5
Acorn Class:	Robyn	Robin
Beech Class:	Levi	
Maple Class:	Walter	Rocco
Oak Class:	Tommy	Arthur

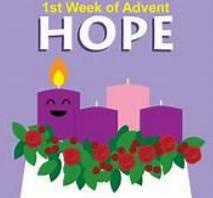


#### November Birthdays...

Samuel, Bryn, Jacob S, Neve, Alis, Pippa & Po

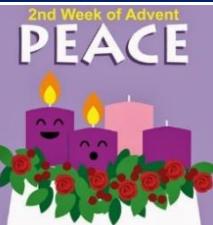
#### December Birthdays...

Eliza, Lottie & Lily



#### First Week of Advent

Christians light the first candle on the Advent wreath, which is often purple or blue in colour. This candle is called the **Hope or Prophet's Candle**, symbolizing the anticipation of the coming Messiah and the hope that He brings to the world.



#### 2nd Week of Advent

The second purple candle on the Advent wreath is often called the **Peace** or **Bethlehem Candle**. It symbolizes faith and peace, reminding Christians of the journey to Bethlehem and the peace that Christ brings.

#### Hope or Prophet's Candle



#### English

#### Maths

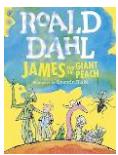
#### Acorn Class

We have been completing some writing based on our learning of the Christmas Story. We have been writing some character descriptions and writing sentences linked to our story map we created.

We have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes. We have learnt the names of the shapes, explored the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, sorted the shapes and even created some fantastic 2D shape pictures.

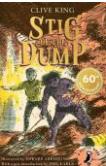
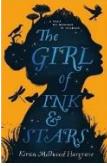
Acorn Class have continued our computing work on using our keyboard and mouse. We made some super pictures, wrote some sentences about our picture using the keyboard and learnt how to print our pictures. We have also been very busy learning our lines and songs for our Nativity and we can't wait to show you on Wednesday!

#### Beech Class



The children have been focusing on nouns and adjectives to write expanded noun phrases, using them to describe the main characters from 'The Paper Bag' Princess, also considering the actions and characteristics of Princess Elizabeth & Prince Ronald.

Our focus has been on multiplication ~ in particular developing the children's understanding of 'groups of'.

			
		<p>Working together in English, reading and sequencing the key events of the story.</p>	
<b>Maple Class</b>		<p>We have been innovating our model. We are getting ready to write our Hot Tasks. We have focused on producing extensive and informative non-fiction writing.</p> <p>In Science, we have been looking at, and comparing, life cycles. We looked at mammal's stages of life. We drew and researched our own mammals. After this, we looked at the bird's life cycle. Each child picked a bird and researched how long they are in their eggs, how long they stay hatchlings, how long they are fledglings and then their life expectancy. We have enjoyed classifying living things and working out the features of each classification group.</p>	<p>Year 4 have been exploring polygons and measuring perimeter.</p> <p>Year 5 have been practising multiplying 3-digit numbers and 4-digit numbers using the short multiplication method. We are moving onto short division next week.</p>
<b>Oak Class</b>		<p>We have devised our own Warning Tales and written our 'Hot Tasks.' Will the characters learn their lessons? Completed stories will be uploaded to SeeSaw</p> <p>In our R.E sessions, the children have been visited by Detective Nazareth, who has needed help tracking down the messiah. They have used The Bible to find teachings about the prophecy and create a character description of who the messiah may be and what he would be like.</p>	<p>We have revised all of the formal written calculation methods we have learned so far this term. We have practised them in a test format. We have also played games, consolidating our knowledge of <math>x \div 10, 100</math></p>

### **Mental Health & Wellbeing and Online Safety Guidance**



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



Please find attached the latest PDF 'WakeUpWednesday' parent/carer guide from National College : **Tracking Devices**

Tracking devices like AirTags and SmartTags were designed to help people find lost belongings, but they've also opened the door to worrying forms of misuse. Their compact size and subtle design make them easy to hide, which can lead to the unwanted tracking of people without their knowledge. From stalking and bullying to potential misuse by peers, these gadgets bring a range of risks that trusted adults must stay aware of.

This guide examines the growing popularity of Bluetooth trackers, the most common ways they're being misused, and how to spot signs that a child may be affected. With practical tips on detecting hidden devices, using the right apps, and starting important conversations, it's a vital read for parents, carers and educators looking to stay ahead of a fast-moving issue.



### **Information, events, & dates for Your Diary ...**

#### **School Post...**

If your child would like to write Christmas cards for their class mates and school friends, please can we request that they are brought into school by **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>** so that they can all be 'delivered' by the end of term.

Your child will have brought home a list of their class' pupils names to help the card writing process.





### Llangrove Village 'Pupil' Post...

Once again we will be offering our Llangrove Pupil postage service. Simply post your addressed Christmas cards (for your friends and/or family who live in Llangrove village) into the post box on the school gates – along with a 'postage' donation.

Please can we request that they are posted by **Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** so that they can be 'delivered' by the end of term.

**All 'postage' donations will go to benefit the children's School Council fundraising pot.** ☺



### Rudolph Fun Run for St. Michaels Hospice 2025

Once again, we are taking part in a "Rudolph Run" this year, raising money for St. Michael's Hospice, a local charity in Hereford. Our little Rudolphs will be donning antlers and red noses before dashing around the playground in a merry fun run to raise funds for a fantastic cause on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**.

Our JustGiving page for St Michael's Hospice (Hereford) Rudolph Run 2025 will go live on Monday and the link to the site will be sent out via our school Arbor email as well as the OurSchoolApp.

**Please can your child wear their trainers** to school on the day ☺



### Acorn & Beech Class Nativity

2pm matinee performance and 5:30pm performance in school hall on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**



**Staff donated Christmas hamper raffle** ~ tickets will be on sale before and after the performance ~ £1 a strip. The draw will take place on the last day of term.



### Children's Christmas Crafts 'sale'

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>** ~ Acorn & Beech Classes

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>** ~ Maple & Oak Classes

School hall 3pm – 3:15pm



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### KS2 Christmas: Maple & Oak Class ~ Christ Church on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

2pm Matinee & 6pm Evening performance



### Christmas Lunch & Party afternoon – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Children to wear Christmas jumper, party clothes or similar



### Christmas Carols...

A reminder that the pupils will be singing a selection of Christmas Songs from this year's productions in the **playground at 1.35pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**.

There will be mince pies, mulled wine, tea & coffee (from Llangrove PTFA).

Please arrive **for 1:30pm. Gates will open at 1:20pm.**



### Staff donated Christmas hamper raffle draw



# News & upcoming Events

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The PTFA will be serving **tea, coffee and delicious mince pies** before and after the Carol Concert.



Come along, enjoy the festive music, and share a little Christmas cheer with us!"

## Our Community...

### Llangrove Village Hall Christmas Fayre

**Sat 13th Dec 2025 - 2.30 pm**

Please join us for  
A fun filled festive afternoon

Hall & Refreshments open from 2.30 pm  
Father Christmas arrives 3.15 pm  
"Big Bang" Christmas Crackers 4 pm

Carol Singing, Stalls, Games, Raffles &  
more

Santa's Grotto with Presents (open from  
3.30 pm)

Many activities kindly sponsored by our  
Village Hall User Groups

*All times are approximate*



## Dates for Your Diary - Autumn 2025



### December

Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nativity Performance: Acorn Class &amp; Beech Class</b> 2pm matinee performance and 5:30pm performance in school hall
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Reception, Year 1 &amp; Year 2 to Perrygrove for</b> (see letter for details)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 2 to visit JKHS for a Christmas Party</b> , led by Sixth form pupils & staff (see letter for details)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Children's Christmas Crafts sale (&amp; Christmas hamper raffle)</b> ~ Acorn & Beech Classes School hall 3pm – 3:15pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Children's Christmas Crafts sale (&amp; Christmas hamper raffle)</b> ~ Maple & Oak Classes School hall 3pm – 3:15pm
	<b>Year 3, 4, 5 &amp; 6 ~ Pantomime: Mother Goose at Hereford Courtyard Theatre</b> (see letter for details)
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nativity Performance: Maple &amp; Oak Class ~ Christ Church</b> 2pm Matinee & 6pm Evening performance
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>End of Autumn term ~ 2pm finish</b> Whole school christmas carol singing – 1:35pm ~ please arrive from 1:20pm PTFA coffee, tea and mince piees,available before and after the singing.



## Dates for Your Diary - Spring 2026

### January

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>STAFF INSET day</b>
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Spring term (1) begins</b>
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Celebration Collective worship</b> - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee

### February

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Parents/Guardians Consultations</b>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Llangrove members/trustees Board meeting – 6:15pm</b>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>End of Spring term (1)</b>
<b>HALF TERM Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Spring term (2) begins</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Celebration Collective worship</b> - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee

### March

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>World Book Day</b>
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Red Nose Day</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Rugby @ Bromyard RFC</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter service @ 1pm</b> <b>End of Spring (2) term ~ 2pm finish</b>

### EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April



## Dates for Your Diary - Summer 2026



<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Summer term (1) begins</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Oak Class SATS &amp; Oakerwood Meeting @ 4:30pm</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Celebration Collective worship</b> - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee



<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>May Fayre fundraising 'Wear What You Like' Day</b>
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bank Holiday – May Day</b>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>HMFA Football</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 6 SATs Assessment Week</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Year 6 Residential Activity Week @ Oakerwood</b>
<b>Friday 23rd</b>	<b>End of Summer (1) term</b>

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



<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Summer term (2) begins</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 4 Multiplication Screening Check</b> (2-week period)
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 1 Phonic screening check (&amp; Y2 retakes if required)</b>
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>HMFA Rounders</b> <b>Llangrove members/trustees Board meeting – 6:15pm</b>
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers Tempest Photograph</b>
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>National School Sports Week</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sports Day – 9:15am</b>
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Celebration Collective worship</b> - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee <b>Reserve Sports Day!</b>



<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Summer Sports Festival</b> @ Hereford Leisure Centre
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Transition Day</b> including new Reception pupils
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>HMFA Athletics ~ TBC</b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Last day of term (2pm finish)</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>STAFF INSET Day</b>

**SUMMER HOLIDAY**