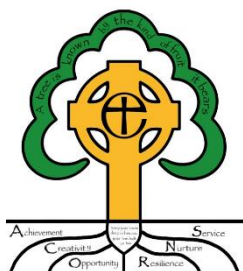




Spring Term (1) 2026

Weeks 1 & 2



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
Opportunity
Our Worship Value for this half term is
Thankfulness



Superstars

Opportunity & ?	Wk 1	Wk 2
Acorn Class:	Martha	Harry
Beech Class:	Ariadne	Levi
Maple Class:	Rocco	Bryn
Oak Class:	Lottie	Anthony



Team of the Week

Wk 1	Wk 2
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Sports Stars

	Wk 1	Wk 2
Acorn Class:	-	Megan
Beech Class:	Reenie & Po	Dougal
Maple Class:	-	Max
Oak Class:	Eliza	-

Lunchtime Table of the Week:

Wk 1	Wk 2



1 Thessalonians 5:16



The more you thank life, the more life gives you to be thankful for.



January Birthdays...

Myla, Jazmine, Isaac, Robin & Issy

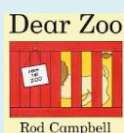
Class Story

English

Maths

Topic/Theme: Amazing Animals

Acorn Class



In English we have been exploring our class story of 'Dear Zoo'. We have learnt the story using actions, created story maps and wrote sentences linked to the story. We have been exploring the adjectives in the story and been innovating the adjectives to come up with our own exciting sentences.

To kick start our animal topic we had great fun making our own animal masks! They look amazing! Great job!

Reception have been exploring the composition of numbers 1- 5. They have also been looking at number patterns, exploring one more of a number.
Year 1 have been exploring our number bonds to 10. We have been exploring our speedy recall of our number bonds and using that speedy recall to solve addition and subtraction facts.

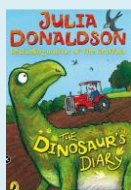


Topic/Theme: Changes: Stone Age to Iron Age

In English, we have been working with the story *Nail Soup*. The children have enjoyed exploring the characters and the setting, thinking about how the villagers and the traveller behave. We have been learning the story drawing a story map. This has helped the children to retell the tale confidently and remember the key events in order. This supports their storytelling skills and helps them prepare for writing their own versions later on.

In maths, Year 2 and 3 have been focusing on doubling numbers and understanding how this links to the 2 times table. The children have been using stem sentences to explain their thinking and deepen their understanding of number. For example, they have been saying: "I know that double 3 is 6. Two groups of 3 equals 6, so 6 divided by 2 equals 3." This approach helps children make strong connections between multiplication and division, supporting confident and secure number knowledge.

Beech Class



In RE, the children worked in groups to practise and perform the story *Jesus Calls the Fishermen*. They explored how the fishermen felt before they met Jesus, when they were tired and disappointed after catching no fish, and after, when they felt amazed, hopeful, and ready to follow him. This helped the children think carefully about characters' feelings and how stories can show change and good news.



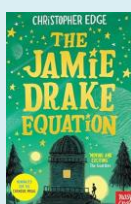
Our 'entry point' for our new topic involved the children thinking about how historians gather evidence from a range of sources. We discussed that if there are no written records, like Samuel Pepys' Diary, historians may rely on archaeologists.



They became archaeologists for the afternoon – endeavouring to find what stone age 'artefacts' were hidden in 'stones'.

Topic/Theme: Earth and Space

Maple Class



We have had ALIENS land in Maple Class. We received a letter stating that Neptunian Aliens have landed in the book corner of Maple Class. The children have been working really hard at matching the belongings to the aliens using possessive apostrophes, writing a newspaper report for their landing, using a voicemail from Farmer John to draw and describe what the aliens look like and also write a job description for an Alien Whisperer! We have had lots to do in Maple Class!

In maths, Year 4 have been looking at the 7 times table and the patterns that we can identify within it. They are finishing the unit by exploring problems using their squared number knowledge. They move onto multiplicative relationships next week.

Year 5 have worked exceptionally hard on a challenging unit of short multiplication and division. They are now confident when using formal methods. They will move onto area and scaling next week.

Our English topic has been incredibly exciting and the pupils have used their possessive apostrophe knowledge to match the belongings to the correct aliens. They only had a short fact file on each alien and had to work together to match them correctly. Here is the way our book corner was left after the alien crash:



Topic/Theme: Egypt: Land of The Pharaohs

In our English sessions, we have identified different word classes within a text. We have then focused on 'setting the scene' for our new Portal Tale: *The Helmet*.

In maths, we have practised adding and subtracting fractions with related denominators. We have learnt how identifying if one denominator is a factor of the other allows us to find equivalent fractions that can then be added or subtracted. E.g. $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{5}{9} = \frac{3}{9} + \frac{5}{9} = \frac{8}{9}$

Oak Class



On Thursday, as part of our Outdoor Learning session, Year 6 and Year 4 combined to design and create bird hides in preparation for the Big Garden Bird Watch, and Big School Bid Watch. We then braved the elements to visit Tretawdy Nature Reserve and explore the beautiful surroundings that are right on our doorstep!

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.



Digital devices are woven into everyday life for children and young people, but balancing the benefits with potential risks can feel challenging.

This #WakeUpWednesday guide explores how screen use can influence sleep, emotional regulation, physical health and online experiences, offering clear context around why concerns about wellbeing are growing.





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'



Next meeting:

Monday 19th January ~ 8pm

Online via Teams

Agenda:

- Disco & Quiz night

Our Community News & upcoming Events ...



Talk Community / Warm Welcome

Talk Community and Warm Welcome are on Fridays in Llangrove Village Hall, come along and have a cup of Coffee or Tea, some lunch, or just a chat.

Warm Welcome is from 11am until 1.30pm. and includes refreshments and 'Soup & Pudding' lunch.

Talk Community meet from 3pm until 4.45pm. This is for families get together after school for cake, biscuits, drinks and time for youngsters to play and parents, carers to support each other. Others welcome to join us.



Dates for Your Diary - Spring 2026



PE lessons

Pupils to wear their PE kits to school on the following days:

Monday Acorn Class	Tuesday Maple Class	Wednesday	Thursday Oak Class	Friday Beech Class
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Outdoor Learning

Pupils to wear

- warm and waterproof clothing, including gloves, scarf and hat
- bring wellington boots & spare warm socks (in a bag)

on the following days:

Wednesday 21st January Acorn Class	Thursday 29th January Beech Class	Thursday 5th February Maple Class
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Thursday 22nd	NHS Height & Weight Check ~ Reception & Year 6 Followed by School Nurse 'Transition from 'Year 6 to Year 7' meeting with Year 6 pupils
Friday 30th	Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee
	Y6 Bikeability – first session. Details to follow




Monday 2nd	Y6 Bikeability – second session. Details to follow
Tuesday 3rd *NEW*	Worship Council – Christingle Service 3.30pm -4pm Christ Church
Wednesday 4th	Y6 Bikeability – final session. Details to follow
Tuesday 10th	Parents/Guardians Consultations
Thursday 12th *NEW*	HMFA Multi-skills event ~ Acorn Class. Details to follow
	Llangrove members/trustees Board meeting – 6:15pm
Friday 13th	End of Spring term (1)

HALF TERM Monday 16th – Friday 20th February

Monday 23rd	Spring term (2) begins
Tuesday 24th	Maple Class ~ Moving Targets at the Courtyard Theatre, Hereford
Friday 27th	Celebration Collective worship - all parents/carers welcome. 9am Followed by PTFA/School council Tea and Coffee



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

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April



Dates for Your Diary - Summer 2026



April

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

May

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

HALF TERM Monday 26th – Friday 30th May
(Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 26th May)

June

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

July

Wednesday 1st	Summer Sports Festival @ Hereford Leisure Centre
Thursday 2nd	Transition Day including new Reception pupils
Friday 3rd	HMFA Athletics ~ TBC
Friday 17th	Year 6 Leavers celebration service Last day of term (2pm finish)
Monday 20th	STAFF INSET Day

SUMMER HOLIDAYS