



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)  
Primary School**



# The Kingsland Times

Friday 30th January 2026

## Let your light shine

**“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16**

**Let your light shine** on our vision:

*As God’s children, overflowing with His light, we will shine before others to inspire, nurture and bring joy so all may embrace life in its fullness to the glory of God.*

Our Christian value for this half-term is **SERVICE and HUMILITY**

Please help your child to reflect on the importance of this Christian value

**Life at Kingsland CE Primary School: life in all its fullness (John 10:10)**

**Safeguarding** – we take our safeguarding responsibilities very seriously at school. For your information, the school’s Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Debenham, and the Deputy DSL is Miss Corrick. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please do contact Mr Debenham or Miss Corrick. We remember that SAFEGAURDING IS EVERYONE’S RESPONSIBILITY ... every part of school life is considered with safeguarding in mind, from staffing, to our online safeguarding record system, to the governors’ monitoring of safeguarding.



**PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME**

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### Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Winter Concert 5.30pm in the school hall
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Y5 Cluster Beats and Voices singing workshop
11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evenings (Class 4 Parents' Evening also on 10 <sup>th</sup> February)
16 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term holiday
WB 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Day of Prayer 2pm (Y6 children) Kingsland Methodist Chapel
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	HPAF Celebration Concert 5.30pm Kingsland Church
WB 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Science week

The full 2025 - 2026 term dates can be found on the school website following the link:

<https://www.kingslandceprimary.com/term-dates/>

### Big Question

We continue our series of BIG QUESTIONS as a focus for family discussions. This week's BIG QUESTION is:

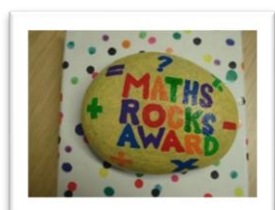
**What might heaven be like?**



Governor news: you will have seen the information regarding the parent governor vote. Please do send in your vote prior to the closing date. Thank you to all those who have done this already.

### Stay and Play

If your child is attending Stay and Play Club next week, it is requested that they bring in a clean jam jar (with lid) on the day that they are attending, to make their very own snow globe. Thank you.



Every Friday, a child is awarded with "The Maths Rock" – this is given to a child who has worked especially hard in maths during the week. This week's winner is **Anthony** ... Well done!

**Congratulations go to the following children who have received Headteacher's Awards:**

**Tommy, Poppy and Scarlett** for super story-mapping of the mouse's journey – well done!

## House Tokens

**Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!**

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
James Kit Mary Scarlett Arthur Phoebe Ellis	James Harvey Mabel Henry Finley Tommy Helen	Ava Daisy Matilda Ed Harrison Hadley Connie	Molly Mac Aria Archer Archie Alice

# School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 3!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
87.9%	97.5%	92.5%	98.4%	96.3%	97.1%	97.6%	95.4%

The school encourages all children to attend school for every session of every day the school is open to them. Thank you for your support with this.

Having excellent attendance at school is essential for children to be fulfilling their potential and flourishing with every opportunity on offer.

MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.



### Open the Book

On Tuesday, Rosie, Helen and Wendy 'opened the book' and told the story of 'The Two Sisters'. One of the sisters, Martha, cleaned the house from top to bottom, whereas Mary spent her time talking with Jesus. Martha thought this was unfair, but Jesus encouraged her to stop and find some peace. The children (and teachers) were challenged to consider when during their day they could find some stillness.

# Volunteer Parent Readers

Dear Parents,



**We are seeking volunteer parent readers for Class 4 children.**

COULD THIS BE YOU?

Do you have 30 minutes to spare after school drop off?

Do you have a passion for reading?

We are looking for a team of volunteers to read with the same children each week on a

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND/OR THURSDAY MORNING**

**8.45 AM – 9.15 AM**

If these timings do not suite you, any afternoon support will also be very gratefully welcomed.

- Enhanced DBS check will be required (this will be covered by school)
- Attend a short 15 min workshop on how best to support listening to readers with follow up support from staff
- Enjoy building a rapport and watching a child's reading progress

We are looking to start this project after half term; week beginning 23rd February 2026.

If you are interested in helping, please email: [admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk)

Marked for the attention of Miss Powis, Class 4.

Thank you.



# Class 3 RE

This week, we experienced a Jewish Passover and discussed the meanings of the food on a Seder Plate.



# Togetherness Workshop

Last week, we hosted a Togetherness workshop for YR – Y3 parents. This was extremely well received by the parents who attended, with EVERY attendee rating it with the maximum score on the evaluation form. We are glad you found it useful and informative.

We are delighted to have been able to arrange ANOTHER Togetherness workshop – this time for Y5 and Y6 parents, considering the onset of the teenage brain and the transition to secondary school.

Please do put the date in your diary:



## Supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of your teenager during transition to High School

*A workshop for parents and carers*

No matter your family setup, the important relationships in your child's life help shape their emotional health and wellbeing at every age. This transformative workshop offers a reflective space to think about your child's development, the changes in their brain and what behaviour to expect once they start High School.

We will explore the following topics:

- Brain development and the importance of relationships and interactions.
- What changes are taking place in a teenager's brain.
- Why teenagers are sensitive to peer pressure and rejection.
- Why teenagers are often reactive and respond emotionally.
- Why teenagers like to sleep so much (!)
- Screen time, social media and gaming.
- How you can support your teenager through these changes.

This workshop will take place in **Kingsland CE Primary School** on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2026, 5.30 – 7.30pm.**

## Winter Concert

We look forward to our Winter Concert on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 5.30pm in the school hall. Children who are participating should wear smart school uniform and black shoes, and should arrive at school at 5.15pm please. The concert will last approximately 1 hour. We are now able to offer up to THREE audience members per family to attend. There will be a collection bucket on the door for donations, with proceeds to cover costs for the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival.

## Parents' Evening booking

Reminder – the Parents' Evening booking system goes live on Arbor at 10am on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. The system closes at 9am on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February, so please do book a slot before then. Children on the SEND register will also be able to book an appointment with Mrs Green via the Arbor app for SENCo Surgery. If you experience any problems with the system, please contact the school office.

# Class 2 ballet

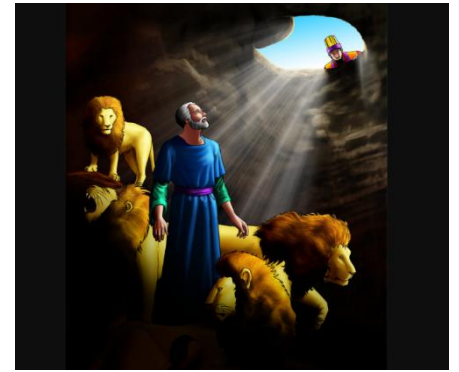
Class 2 have been having ballet lessons as part of their PE provision. What fun!







Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 9.30am,  
Kingsland Church  
Messy Lions



Come and join us at Messy Church. This year we are finding lots of animals in the Bible and discovering their stories. This month we discover why Daniel was thrown into a den of lions and why he survived. Our activities include making masks, bravery challenges and playing songs from the Lion King on steel pans and percussion. After our activities we worship together, with songs, the message from the bible story and prayers.

All children with any members of their families welcome! If you have never been before you will be made to feel very welcome. We meet for about an hour. Please let us know if you have any food intolerances, allergies or dietary requirements so that we can cater accordingly. This helps us keep food wastage to a minimum as well.

For more information: [wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk](mailto:wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk)

**Mortimer's Cross Churches  
and Kingsland Methodist  
Chapel presents...**

**Youth Group  
Spring 2026**

**Crafts, food, games and chat - a chance to spend  
time together and ask questions about faith**

**Saturday 7 February, 3-5pm**  
Pancakes, candle making and thinking about the  
meaning of Candlemas

**Saturday 14 March, 3-5pm**  
Crafts for Mothering Sunday and looking forward  
to Easter - including planning for...

**Friday 3 April, 11:30-2pm**  
'Walk of Witness' - Good Friday service walking  
from the Methodist Chapel to the Church

For more information, contact Rev Rosie  
on [revd.rosie@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk](mailto:revd.rosie@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk)  
or 07720 333383

## Spiritual Thinking



What does righteousness mean for you?

How hungry are you for doing right things for others?

Where could you make a difference to others?

### Thank you for our food...



Jesus thanked God for the 5 loaves and 2 fish, before sharing it with everyone.

Do you have a special grace of thanksgiving prayer before eating at school or at home?

If so share it with your class. If not why not create your own that your class can say before lunch each day.

*I wonder what they did with the 12 baskets of leftovers?*

Imagine if you were the little boy with his lunch. How would it feel to have been at the centre of that enormous picnic? And how would you tell your mum what you did? Maybe you could write a diary entry as the boy. Or about what the disciples did with the leftovers?

## Spiritual Sounds

'God of Justice' is a song by Tim Hughes that reflects how Jesus called his followers to live for others in compassion and kindness.

[Listen to it here.](#)

## Prayer Baskets

The disciples collected twelve full baskets of leftovers. This week why not write some prayers for people that need compassion and kindness. It could be things you see on the news, or in your community. Collect those prayers in a basket and keep adding to it until it overflows.



PTA **Cake Sale**  
Key Stage 1



**24th & 25<sup>th</sup> March**

KS 1, it's your turn!  
Please bring cakes into school on  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.  
Thank you.

PTA 

# Childrens Easter Bingo

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March**  
Kingsland Coronation Hall  
Eyes down 6pm

*Fun for all the  
family*



Grab your  
**FREE**  
ticket here.



PTA 

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**10 GOLDEN TICKETS!!!**  
Win a £5 or £10 prize!  
Chocolate bars sold after school 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> March  
**£2 per bar.**

Prizes to be collected from the school office 5<sup>th</sup> March

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**27TH JUNE**  
**2026**

**KINGSLAND  
CORONATION HALL  
FIELD**

PTA



**Non-Uniform Day**  
in exchange for

**Easter Bingo  
donations**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

In exchange for wearing no uniform to school, please would families be able to donate a chocolatey prize! Small easter eggs, cream eggs, chocolate bar, anything chocolate for easter!



Grab your  
**FREE**  
ticket here.



# DINOSAUR DISCOVERIES

February Half  
Term Family  
Activity

2pm - 3.30pm

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>  
to Friday 20<sup>th</sup>  
February

£5 per  
accompanied  
4 - 11 year  
old



Make a dinosaur skeleton to take home.  
Look at the size of dinosaurs and  
their feet. Learn the meaning behind  
some dinosaurs' names, other  
dinosaur theme crafts and much  
more!

[shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk](http://shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk)

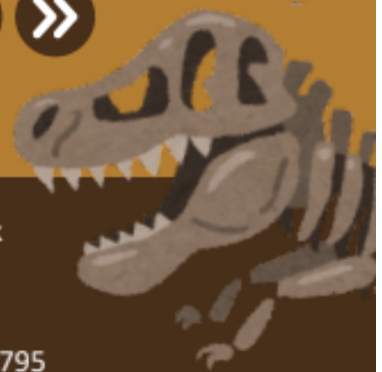


Book Online



Shropshire Hills  
Discovery Centre

info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk  
01588 676060  
School Road, Craven Arms SY7 9RS  
Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity: 1158795





# Should I keep my child off school?

## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

Kingsland Amateur  
Theatrical Society  
Presents...



**Robin Hood**

**The Panto**

by Alex Jackson

Fri 20th Feb 7pm

Sat 21st Feb 2pm and 7pm

Adult £10      U18 £5      U5 Free

Kingsland Coronation Hall

Tickets From Kingsland Shop & Markhams Garage

Script kindly presented in agreement with [www.alexjacksonpantomimes.com](http://www.alexjacksonpantomimes.com)

# 3 LITTLE PIG TAILS

*By Garlic Theatre*



**Friday 20th February, 3pm**  
Leintwardine Community Centre, SY7 0LB  
Tickets: £5 Adults, £5 Child  
07415 093552  
[www.artsalive.co.uk](http://www.artsalive.co.uk)

Touring with...  
**arts  
alive**



**ROBLOX**  
Powering Imagination

According to the Roblox website, 'Roblox is the world's largest interactive social platform for play'. For those of you not so familiar with the game, it is a multi-player online gaming platform which allows children to play and create a variety of games in a 3D world. Roblox is free to play and available on all modern smartphones, tablets, desktops, Xbox One, Oculus Rift, and HTC Vive.



# What parents need to know about **ROBLOX**



## ROBLOX STUDIO

The Roblox Studio allows users to create their own games and 'worlds' for others to play on the platform. As the games are user generated, it gives users the freedom to potentially include things you do not want your child to be exposed to, for example, weapons, violence and even pornographic content. There are no age restrictions on the games created in the Roblox Studio and Roblox can only rely on people reporting negative/violent content in order to remove the games from the platform.



## CHATTING AND FRIEND REQUESTS

Whilst the games in Roblox are aimed at 8 to 18-year-olds, there are currently no age restrictions for signing up. This means both adults and young people can play and communicate with each other and send friend requests through the platform. Once a friend request is accepted, this means that they can communicate with each other outside of gameplay.



## ROBUX ONLINE PAYMENTS

When a user creates a game, they earn something called 'Robux', which works as a currency within the platform, allowing the purchase of upgrades and memberships. If the created game is of good quality and attracts multiple players and in-game adverts, children have the potential to earn a lot of 'Robux'. Once a user has earned a certain amount of Robux, they can convert this to real cash and withdraw it to a PayPal account. To withdraw money, users need to be over 13, have a PayPal account and have paid for the Roblox premium subscription.



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## Top Tips for Parents



### UNLIST SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

Make sure your child's social media accounts are not listed in the settings/account info. If they are, advise them to make them private or remove them in their account. This will ensure nobody can find and contact them on their social media platforms outside of Roblox.

### CHECK SHARED INFORMATION

In the account settings, check that your child is not giving away any personal information in their bio/profile. For example, their full name, phone number or snapchat name. If you see that they have, explain why this is potentially dangerous and remove immediately.

### 2 STEP VERIFICATION

Roblox has a great 2-step verification security feature which we recommend you enable to add an extra layer of security to your child's account.

### HAVE A CHAT ABOUT 'GRIEFING'

Griefing is when someone purposely upsets another player in a game. This can be done by setting traps, damaging or stealing something from another player, intentionally killing them and just generally doing something in the game to spoil gameplay for them. Essentially, 'Griefing' is a form of cyberbullying and can be extremely frustrating and upsetting for players.

### IS YOUR CHILD UNDER 13?

Unfortunately, there are hundreds of YouTube videos showing children how to change their age settings on Roblox, so firstly, you should talk to your child to set up some rules/agreement. There are additional safety features for children under 13, for example having their posts and chats filtered for inappropriate content and behaviour, so it is worth checking that your child has set up their account with the correct age. You can find this in their account settings.

### DISABLE IN-GAME CHAT

Roblox is great for children to play together and chat to each other. However, if you wanted to completely turn off in-game chat for your child (meaning they could not contact anyone including their friends) you can do so by following these steps: When logged in, go to the Account Settings page by clicking on the gear icon at the top right corner of the page, then click Settings. Next, click on the Privacy tab and under 'Who can chat with me in game?' select 'No one' and this will disable in-game chat.

### RESTRICT PAYMENT METHODS

Roblox is a free to play game, but there are still options to make additional in-game purchases. If you do not want your child to make payments, ensure your card is not associated with their account. If you are happy for your child to make payments in the game, but want to limit spending, we suggest using a games console gift card. These can be purchased in specific amounts, which will allow you to limit how much your child spends and removes the need for a credit/debit card to be used with their account.



Sources: [corp.roblox.com](http://corp.roblox.com) and press kit. All images shown belong to Roblox ©2018 Roblox Corporation. Roblox, the Roblox logo, Roblox, Roblox, and Powering Imagination are among our registered and unregistered trademarks in the U.S. and other countries.

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This is not a definitive guide. Please always check with the app's support information to see if your security and privacy concerns are addressed.

[www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com)

# Jenny Pipes Morris

## Day of Dance

Saturday 28th  
March

Dancing in  
Leominster  
10am-2.45pm

Get involved!  
Dancing on The  
Grange 3pm

Procession  
through  
Leominster 4pm

Ceilidh dancing!  
5.30pm at  
Leominster  
Sports and Social  
Club

in aid of  
The Brain  
Tumour Charity



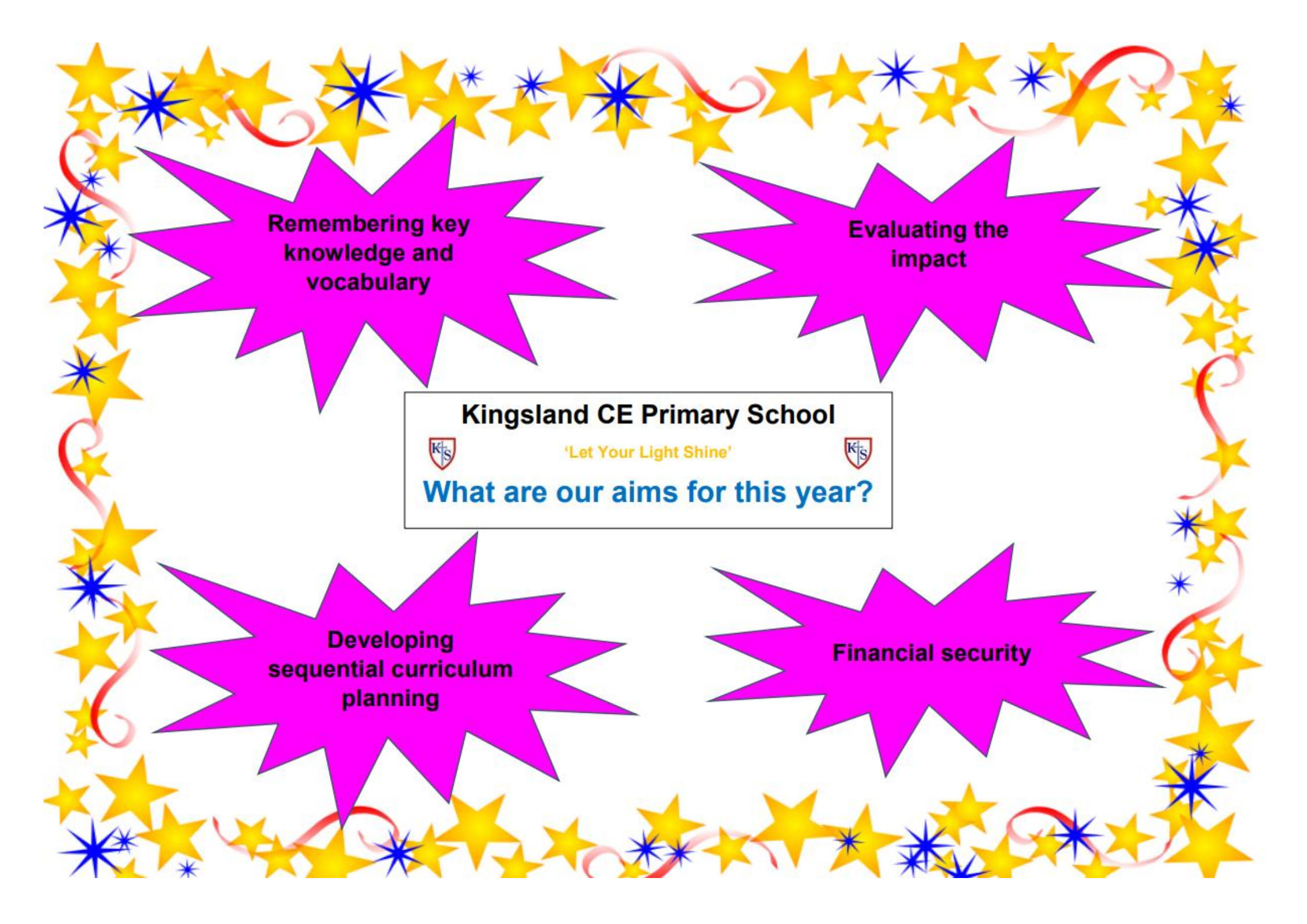
Wear a  
silly hat!

Tickets available  
from Happy  
Fudge Co. High  
Street,  
Leominster,  
Eventbrite  
[tiny.cc/JPdance](https://tiny.cc/JPdance)  
or scan the QR  
code below



Early or Late  
slot: £5  
Full Ceilidh  
ticket: £12





**Remembering key  
knowledge and  
vocabulary**

**Evaluating the  
impact**

**Kingsland CE Primary School**



**'Let Your Light Shine'**



**What are our aims for this year?**

**Developing  
sequential curriculum  
planning**

**Financial security**



# Kingsland CE Primary School

Let your light shine

“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”  
(Matthew 5:16)



This half term's Christian value is:

## SERVICE and HUMILITY



### A prayer for Service and Humility

Father God,

Help us to use our gifts to serve others. Let our lights shine before others so we can set them the example of how to serve others with compassion, courage and humility. Amen.

### Christian Value Family Reflection

Welcome to our Christian Value Family Reflection which offers some suggestions, thoughts and ways into exploring and reflecting on the value of this half term: **SERVICE** and **HUMILITY**

A reflection on **SERVICE** and **HUMILITY** by Shelley Connop, Foundation Governor, Eardisland Church

“Thank you” I said as the door was held open for me, and although this took little effort, I was grateful as my arms were full with shopping. I have taught my children to be kind and humble and remind them their actions may be small but could make someone’s burden lighter. The Bible shows us the importance of a servant’s heart, teaching us to prioritise others’ needs over our own desires. By applying this, we not only grow closer to God but also foster a community rooted in love and compassion.

Living in Eardisland which has a thriving community, I volunteer and help where and when I can, including the community shop which is run and staffed by volunteers. There is also the village hall committee who have just received over £100,000 in grants for upgrading facilities. They do not look for recognition but give freely of their time to benefit the wider community.

Humility is a grateful and spontaneous awareness that life is a gift and also a realistic view of your own abilities and true service is not about recognition. It’s about responsibility. It’s about seeing a need and responding, even when no one is watching; understanding that your talents, time and opportunities are not for personal gain, but for the good of others. To listen more than we speak, we learn more than we assume, and we will then lead by example. Let us remember the example of Jesus who humbly served others and showed true meaning of greatness through servanthood.

Some of the most impactful people in our lives are not the loudest or the most celebrated. They are the ones who show up consistently, the ones who help without being asked, the ones who lift others without expecting anything in return. Their strength is in their purpose. Think of the school’s incredible PTA who raise money for the extra things around school and the discos they hold. Think of the mums, dads, grandparents and the wider community who come in to read with you every week in school. Think of Kingsland Fire Brigade ...

In today’s world that encourages self-promotion, choosing humility is a **courageous** act and a powerful one. Do you think you can choose commitment over convenience?

Maybe a simple way of showing this would be to make a Humility / Service jar and place slips of paper in with simple humility challenges such as: “Let someone else choose the game” or “Help to clear up without being asked.”