



THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)  
Primary School**



# The Kingsland Times

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> 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)

What is my child learning about this term? Detailed curriculum plans for each class and each subject area can be found on the school website which describe what the children will be learning this term. These can be accessed [here](#) on the school website.

Class plans can be found by clicking on the following links ... Class 1 [here](#); Class 2 [here](#); Class 3 [here](#); Class 4 [here](#); Class 5 [here](#). This year, classes 2-5 are following Curriculum B. Due to the nature of our mixed aged classes, the school runs a two year curriculum plan (A and B).



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

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### Dates for your diary

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	After School Clubs start
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Winter Concert 5.30pm
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
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:

**Why are people different?**



Governor news: you will have seen the letter sent out about the recruitment of a new Parent Governor. Any nominations should be sent to Mrs Lewis in the school office by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January.



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 **Aria** ... Well done!

### House Tokens

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

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Henry Lucy Sophie		Olivia James	

# School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 5!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
98.1%	92.7%	96.0%	93.2%	96.3%	99.6%	96.7%	96.1%

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.**

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

**Mac** and **Ava** for super writing about Scruffy Ted in RWI; **Hadley, Clara, Hector, Henry, Harvey, Daisy, Bella, Harriet, Molly, Harry** and **Ellie** for super progress with times tables – well done!

Thank you to those parents who attended the Togetherness workshop for parents this week. We hope you found it useful and interesting. We shall aim to arrange a further parent workshop later in the school year.

This year, Class 1 have learnt about baptism.



# Police Assembly

On Thursday we welcomed PC Steph and PC Kate who explained the role of the police and showed the children a range of police equipment. Thank you for coming.



## Holiday Club Update

Thank you to all those parents who completed the recent Holiday Club consultation. Analysis of the results showed a clear demand and positive reaction to a possible Holiday Club.

However, after initial exploration of establishing a Holiday Club, the school is, unfortunately, unable to offer this provision for February half term, due to staffing problems. We wanted to give you as much notice of this as possible so that alternative arrangements could be made.

The school will continue to investigate further options for a possible Holiday Club to be established for future holiday periods.



Many of Elgar's musical pieces are still played in concerts all over the world today. Some of his most well-known works include the Enigma Variations, the Pomp and Circumstance Marches, and concertos for violin and cello. He also wrote two symphonies.



Use the QR code to listen to Elgar's cello concerto with rising star Sheku Kanneh-Mason.

# Musician

## Edward Elgar



Elgar composed the 'Enigma Variations'. An enigma is a puzzle. The piece is a puzzle as he wrote a main tune, and then a series of variations on the tune. Each variation describes one of his friends, but he did not say which friends they were: he only put their initials or nickname at the top of each variation. Listen to Nimrod from his Enigma Variations:



Use the QR code to listen to Elgar's Serenade for Strings.

### Making Connections...



Have you seen this statue of Elgar outside Hereford Cathedral? Use the QR code to listen to his Introduction and Allegro which he composed in Hereford.



Edward Elgar was an English composer. He was born in 1857 and died in 1934, and lived during the late Romantic musical period. Edward Elgar's father was a musician who tuned pianos, owned a music shop and was employed as a church organist. The young Edward learned to play the organ and violin at a young age, and composed his first short piece at the age of 10. His first job was as assistant organist to his father but his main love was composition.

# of the Month

Use the QR code to listen to Pomp and Circumstance March.



Elgar was born in Broadheath in Worcestershire. This is a picture of Elgar's house in Worcester.



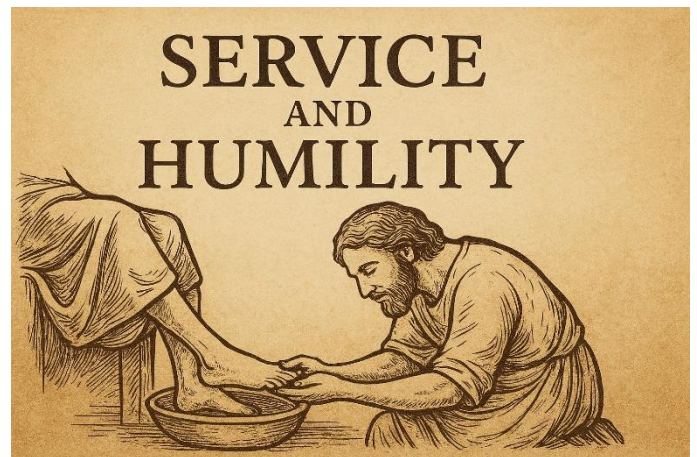
## Prayer for Service and Humility by Lucy:

Dear God,

Thank you for people in this world who serve one another and pay back kindness that was once shown to them.

Help us to be humble and kind, and to carry this on with our journey through life.

Amen



# FEBRUARY HALF TERM INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Our intensive lessons are perfect for children aged 4+ who are new to lessons, or children on our Learn to Swim programme wanting to progress to the next stage.

Designed to help build confidence, improve technique, and have fun, all in just 4 sessions!

**Get 50% OFF your booking — only £15.75 total for 4 lessons!**  
That's just £3.94 per session!\*

To view days and times visit [www.haloleisure.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.haloleisure.org.uk/whats-on)

Limited spots – don't miss out!  
Call us on **01432 842075**, or pop in to your local pool to secure your child's place.

\*Terms & conditions apply. Offer valid until 8th February 2026.

The advertisement features a dark purple background with decorative blue leaves and white snowflakes. It includes three photographs: a woman and a child in a pool, a young boy with goggles, and a woman smiling next to a child in the water. The Halo Leisure logo is in the bottom right corner.



# 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



SCAN ME

### 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)



### **Second hand skeleton costumes wanted!**

The KATS panto is coming up, and we hope to have some scary skeletons wreaking havoc stage on the stage! Our costume team would be extremely grateful if any parents have any skeleton costumes (ages 7 - 12) we could borrow or buy. Please contact Hannah at [katskingsland@gmail.com](mailto:katskingsland@gmail.com) or 07931 560742 if you can help us.

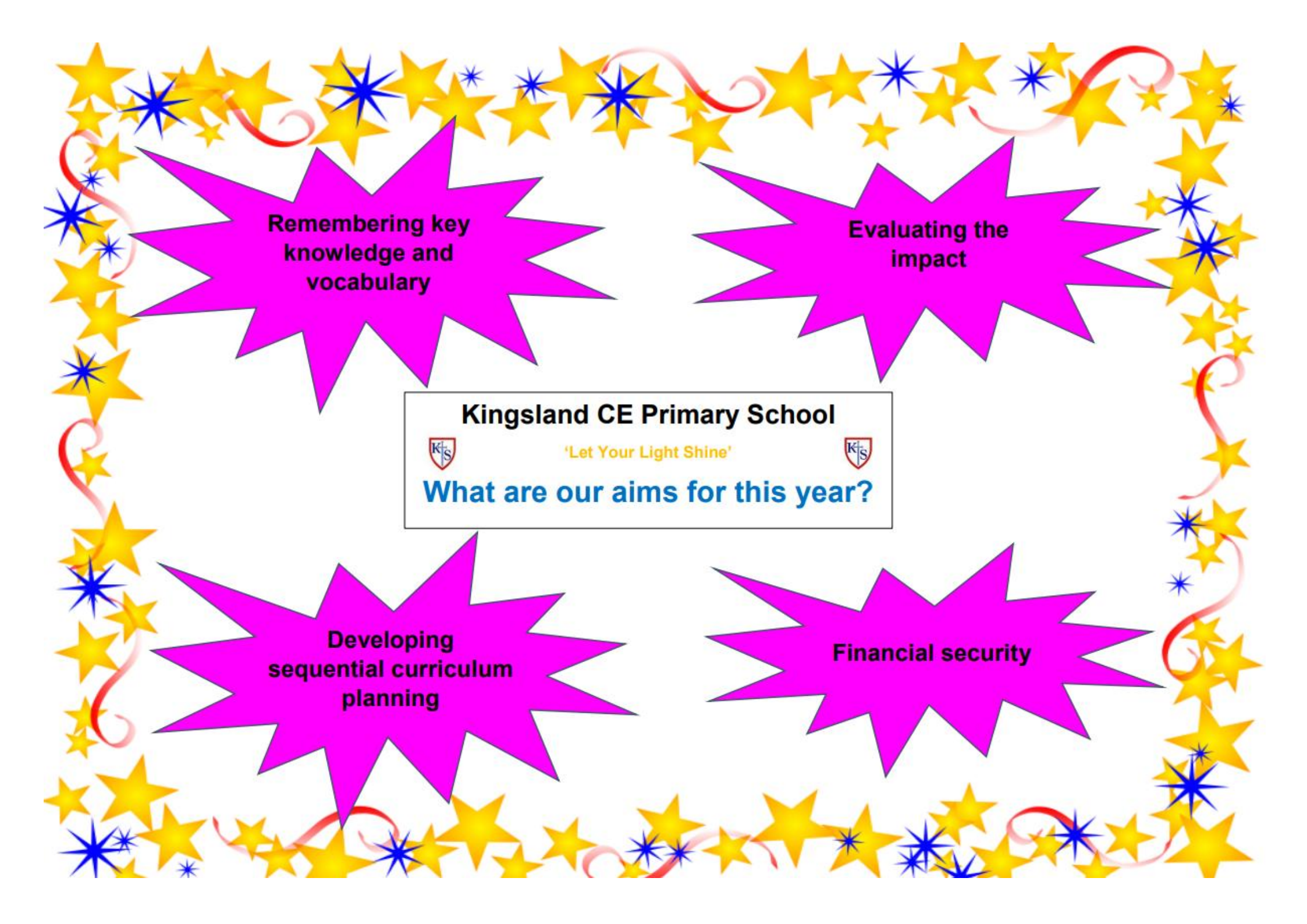
**PTA**

**Treat Friday!**

**CHOCOLATE Time**

FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
50P

NATIONAL Hot Chocolate Day 31 JANUARY



**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**



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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.”