



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Kingsland CE (VA) Primary School



# The Kingsland Times

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## 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 **COMPASSION**

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)**

We are delighted to have been presented with the **Attachment Research Community (ARC) silver award**, recognising the school’s commitment to relational and restorative practice. The school is a safe, positive and consistent learning environment where all children are valued so that their lights can shine. Having led a presentation workshop about relational practice to other local schools, Mr Debenham was presented with the award at the Virtual School conference in Hereford on Wednesday.



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

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### Dates for your diary

Sunday 21st September	Education Sunday in Kingsland Church 11am – all welcome
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	RWI phonics session for Y1 parents, 2.45pm – see below for details
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	YR parents meeting with Miss Corrick 5pm – see below for details
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Welcome Party for YR and Y1 Kingsland Church 2.00pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Y1/2 healthy lifestyles workshop
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents' Evening 4.30 – 7.30pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Oct. – 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct.	Half term holiday

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:

**How did Jesus show compassion?**



Governor news: this week the Full Governing Body met to discuss areas of school life such as the School Improvement Plan, and to approve a number of school policies. School policies can be found on the school website [here](#). Mrs Clare Traynor has been elected as the Vice Chair of Governors.

### House Tokens

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

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Olivia Henry	Lexi Grace	Matilda	Ella William



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

# School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 3 and Year 4!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
95.2%	99.2%	97%	100%	100%	97.8%	98.6%	98.3%

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.**



## Welcome Party for YR and Y1

Parents of YR and Y1 children are invited to join us in Kingsland Church for our Welcome Party on Thursday 25th September at 2pm – as well as being welcomed to school, Rev Rosie will be welcoming children and families into the church family too.

## Read Write Inc phonics session for Y1 parents

On **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 2.45pm**, we welcome all parents of Y1 children to a Read Write Inc phonics session with Mrs Wilson in Class 2 – an opportunity to learn how to support your child with their phonics learning and reading. Please do aim to attend if at all possible. Thank you.

## YR parents' meeting

On **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm**, we invite all YR parents to a parents' meeting with Miss Corrick in Class 1, where she will talk through many aspects of life in Class 1.

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

**Minnie** for being a super compassionate courageous advocate in raising money for young lives vs cancer – well done!

# Worship Time – what does it mean to care for someone else?

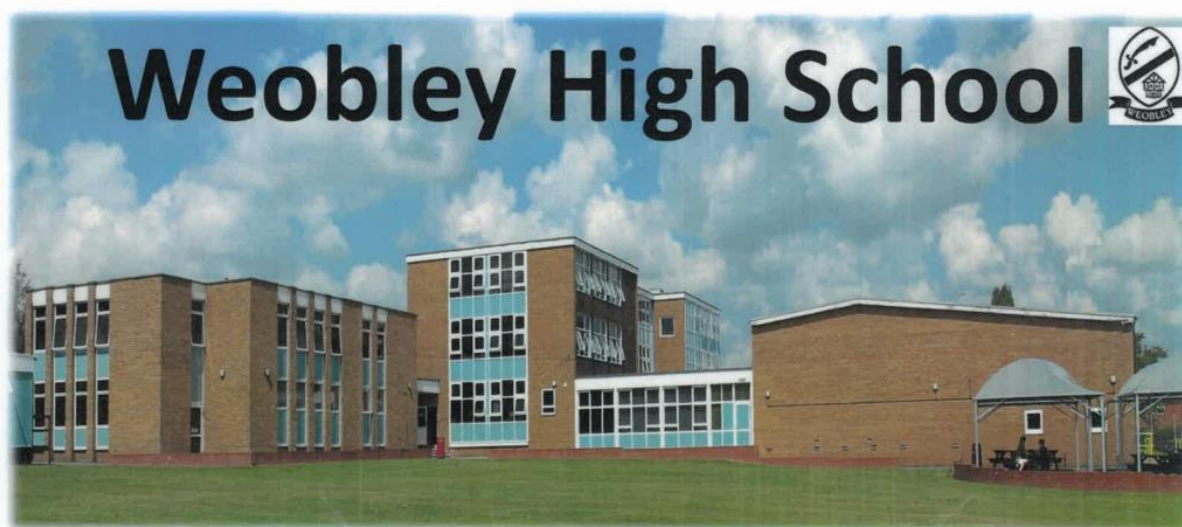
This week in Worship Time, we considered ‘what does it mean to care for someone else?’ We listened to examples of how other children have been compassionate courageous advocates and how we might apply those ideas to our lives. We discussed how these pictures might illustrate compassion – and which one was the odd one out. And we thought about these song lyrics to consider what difference being kind can make ...



## A LITTLE BIT OF KINDNESS

A little bit of kindness in your day  
Will bring a lot of happiness your way.  
It doesn't take a lot to stop and say,  
'Can I help you?'  
A little bit of kindness here and there  
Will show a lot of people that you care.  
It's something you can practise anywhere  
If you want to!

**CHORUS** *What a difference we can make,  
When we brighten someone's day,  
Is there any better way to be happy?  
Just a little thing or two,  
It's not difficult to do,  
Will be just as good for you as each other!*



We welcome families to attend our Open Day on  
Wednesday 24th September 2025 at 6.00pm.

Personal tours with Mr Holder during the normal school day are also available until October half-term.

Contact the school directly to book.

Tel: 01544 318159

Email: [admin@weobleyhigh.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@weobleyhigh.hereford.sch.uk)



The Attachment  
Research  
Community



Trauma Informed Attachment  
Aware School (TIAAS) Programme


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OF EMBEDDING  
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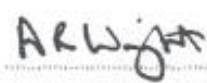


This certificate is presented to:

**Kingsland CE Primary School**

Valid date: **September 2025**

Signed:   
**Joanna Chick**  
Virtual School Headteacher

Signed:   
**Andrew Wright OBE**  
ARC Chair

Messages from the PTA



TREAT TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER



CAKE SALE ~ KEY STAGE 2

*Welcome meeting*

2nd October, 3.30pm @ School

**PTA DISCO**



**CHRISTMAS**



19th November @  
Leominster Sports & Social  
Club

**FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**  
**5:15-6:15PM YR R - 3**  
**6:30-7:30PM YR4 - 6**



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Leominster

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brands and shop!

# *PTA Treat Tuesday!*



TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
£1 PER CAKE

## **Message from Kingsland Church**

# **Education Sunday**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September  
11am Kingsland Church

Come along to say thank you to God for teaching and learning. This is an all-age service of about one hour, with children from Kingsland School taking part in prayers, songs and reading from the Bible.



Bach was born in 1685 and died in 1750. He was a composer in the Baroque period.



Use the QR code to listen to Bach's cello suite in G major – a very famous piece of music.

# Musician

## Making Connections ...

Links between Bach and the music of The Beatles run deep. As boys, Paul McCartney and John Lennon sang in Liverpool church choirs and would have encountered Bach's church and organ music.

So it's no surprise when Bach's music seems to peer around every corner in their musical creations.

Like this moment, when one of his most joyous keyboard works, his Invention No. 8 in F, that rings out during the final section of 'All You Need Is Love'.



Use the QR code to listen to Bach's Brandenburg Concerto in D major.



## Johann Sebastian Bach



Johann Sebastian Bach was born in Eisenach, Germany, where his father was a town musician. Bach came from a long line of composers – over 300 years' worth of Bachs all worked as professional musicians. By the time Johann was 10, both his parents had died, so he was brought up by his older brother, who was a church organist. Johann became a very good organist, too.

Johann Sebastian Bach held three major jobs in his life: first he worked for a duke, then for a prince, and finally, he became director of music at the St. Thomas Church and School in Leipzig, Germany. Even though his job in Leipzig kept him very busy, in his spare time, Bach conducted a group of musicians who liked to get together to perform at a local coffee house.



# of the Month

During his lifetime, people thought of Bach as just an ordinary working musician. No one really knew much about his music until 100 years after his death, when another composer, Felix Mendelssohn, conducted a performance of Bach's St. Matthew Passion.

Bach is now seen as one of the greatest geniuses in music history. He wrote all kinds of music — for organ and other keyboard instruments, orchestras, choirs, and concertos for many different instrumental combinations.





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## OPEN MORNINGS

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2026?



You would be most welcome to visit school on one of our Open Mornings:



Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 9.30am

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am

Please contact the school office to book a place  
(bookings are essential): 01568 708436

[admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk)



School of  
**SANCTUARY AWARD**  
Welcoming People Seeking Sanctuary



# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## Reception admissions for 2026-2027

Do you have a child born between  
1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022

If so you will need to apply for a school place  
by 15 January 2026  
(to commence September 2026)

Applications can be completed from  
**15 September 2025** online  
(scan QR code) or visit:



[www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions)

Please note: a place at a nursery does not  
guarantee a place at the associated primary  
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school  
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or  
[schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk)

# Class teacher post

## Kingsland CE Primary School

### Y5/6 Class Teacher

**Salary:** M1 – M4 (ECTs are welcomed to apply)

**Hours:** 0.8 (Monday – Thursday), fixed term until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026 (with the possibility of extending this term for the right candidate)

**Location:** Kingsland CE Primary School, Kingsland, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9QN

**Commencing:** 1<sup>st</sup> January 2026

**Closing date:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 12pm

**Interview date:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Are you looking for a unique opportunity to 'let your light shine?'

Kingsland CE Primary School is a popular, innovative, high performing, rural school set in an idyllic Herefordshire village, 3 miles west of Leominster. The school provides children with firm foundations based on a strong Christian ethos which permeates everything that we do, aiming for both children and adults to 'let their lights shine'. Kingsland CE Primary School strives to offer all its pupils every opportunity to live life in all its fullness; it has a consistently high academic record with additional strengths in sport and the arts – we are proud to hold the School Games Platinum sports' award and the International School Award, as well as being a Lead Music School.

The governors and headteacher require an inspirational and highly motivated classroom teacher to join our committed team, for our mixed aged Y5/6 class. The successful candidate will have excellent subject knowledge, a passion for teaching and learning, high expectations for all children, will support the Christian ethos of the school, and will be willing to go the extra mile.

We can offer excellent CPD opportunities, supportive mentorship, and are eager to encourage all teachers to develop as effective school practitioners and leaders.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure Barring Service confirmation.

Visits to our fantastic school are welcomed.

For further information, to arrange a visit or to request an application pack, please telephone 01568 708436 or email Sue Lewis at [slewis@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:slewis@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk)



# KATS

presents

# ROBIN HOOD

by Alex Jackson



PERFORMANCE DATES:  
FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY &  
SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

## OPEN AUDITIONS

### SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

### At Kingsland Coronation Hall

### 10AM - 12.30PM Adults (Age 12+)

Auditioning for main speaking parts and ensemble

### 1PM - 2.30PM Juves (Age 7 - 12)

Auditioning for dance ensemble and minor roles

*Please email to register your interest U18*

If you cannot make the audition, or would like to be involved in the production in other ways, please get in touch with:

**[katskingsland@gmail.com](mailto:katskingsland@gmail.com)**



**Eyton Hall Farms.**

Email: [fhdfarms@btinternet.com](mailto:fhdfarms@btinternet.com)

£95 per 1/2 lamb box. (Roughly £8-9 per kg)

Our last 1/2 lamb boxes contained  
9 cutlets  
6 chops  
2 shoulder joints  
2 leg joints  
Mince

The meat comes in a box 39x30x14 cm - which is roughly the size of one shelf of your average fridge.

All our livestock are fattened exclusively on our organic herbal ley farming system - meaning they get to eat a massive variety of grasses, legumes and herbs keeping them healthy and tasting great! If you would like to order a 1/2 lamb box, please do so by the 26th September.

Please contact Leanna Dale to Order  
email: [cheekychicken103@hotmail.com](mailto:cheekychicken103@hotmail.com)  
Phone: 07742355239 or speak to me at school.



**Eyton Hall Farms.**

Email: [fhdfarms@btinternet.com](mailto:fhdfarms@btinternet.com)

£314 per box  
our last beef boxes contained\*

10x 500g mince  
6x 500g stewing steak  
1x1.6kg silverside joint  
1x1.5kg Topside joint  
1x1.8kg chuck roast  
1x1.8kg brisket Roast  
1x1.5kg corner cut. Topside Joint  
2x400g Rib eye steak  
3x400g Rump Steak  
2x250g Fillet Steak  
5x 300g Sirloin Steak  
2x550g Shoulder steak

The beef comes vacuum packed and labelled in a box sized 39x30x40cm

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# OCTOBER 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!

Book before  
26th October  
GET 50%  
OFF!

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.

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\*Terms & conditions apply.

# Spaces Available

Learn to play



## KINGSLAND PRE-SCHOOL

Play to learn

2 - 4 year olds

No consumables charge

Funded and non funded spaces

Term time only

Early starts available

Call or message to arrange a visit

01568 708560

## Worship Videos

### Our 4-week series explores 'Changes'

Aut 1 - New School Year

Aut 2 - If only - what can we change? (Ecclesiastes 11:3-5)

Aut 3 - Collecting Change (calling of Levi/Matthew)

Aut 4 - Jesus Changes Lives (Jesus heals a leper)



## wk 3 What do you treasure?

Jesus once said, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21).

What do you think Jesus meant by this?

- You can do this activity as a group and display your responses.
- Draw a large heart or use heart shaped sticky notes.
- Write or draw the different things that you treasure the most. They could be people, places, items or emotions and ideas.
- Is there anything missing that you would like to treasure?
- Share your heart filled with treasure with other people.

## wk 4 Leaf Prayers

Now that the leaves are changing colour and falling to from the trees, you could use them to help you to pray.

- Find a leaf that has changed colour.
- Then think about things that have changed in the past for the better.
- Write one of them on the leaf.
- Repeat for other leaves.
- How big a pile of leaves can you gather to remind you of changes that you can be thankful for?
- You might like to turn these into a thanksgiving prayer to God.



## wk 2 If only

How often do you check the weather in a day? Try counting it up one day. The weather is one thing we can't control. It affects how we feel too. What's your favourite weather?

Prayer Spaces in school has some great activities to help you reflect upon different themes. You can find them here: [Weather Series - Prayer Spaces In Schools](#)



## Courageous Advocates

### The Leprosy Mission

This charity works across the world to make a difference to people's lives who affected by leprosy today. You can find out more about how they help people through their schools webpages with activities and ideas for you to explore, including lessons plans and a worship pack that you could lead for your school. [leprosymission.org.uk](http://leprosymission.org.uk)



## Spiritual Thinking

What do I wish I could control to make things better?

What do you value the most in your life?

What is the hardest change you've ever had to go through?

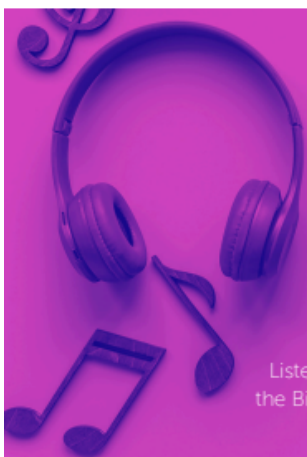
## Spiritual Sounds

[Tim Hughes - Whole World In His Hands - YouTube](#)

A great song by Tim Hughes that celebrates that God is in control. A powerful song to listen too when you are thinking of giving up or asking 'if only'.

[Iona - Treasure \[1994\] - YouTube](#)

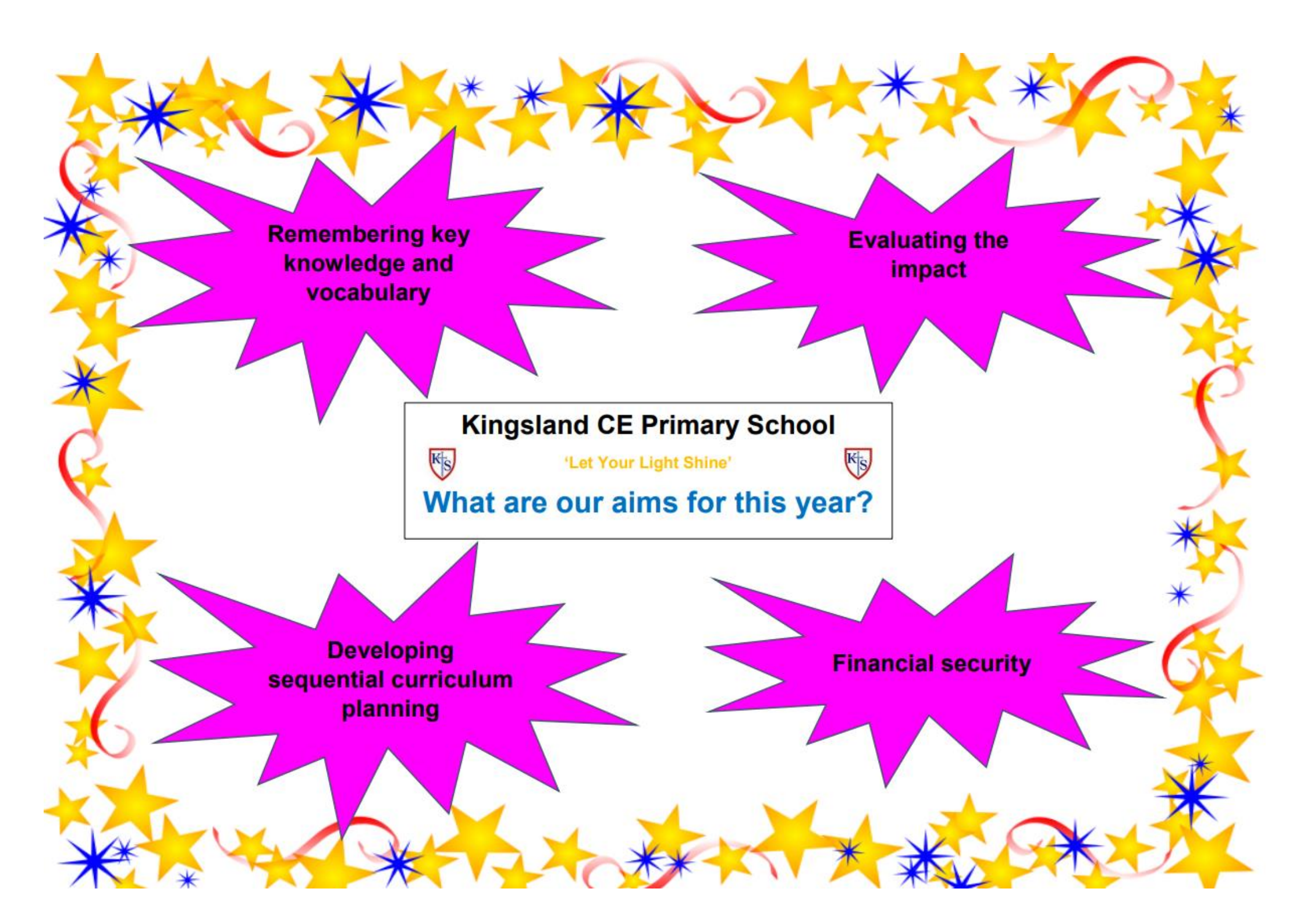
Listen to 'Treasure' by Celtic rock band Iona. This is based on the Bible verse, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21).



# School Improvement Plan 2025 – 2026 Summary

## Knowing more and remembering more – a sequential curriculum – evaluating the IMPACT

Ofsted (O): Overall effectiveness – what is it like to attend the school?		SIAMS (S): How then shall we live and learn together?
<b>A</b>	<b>The Quality of Education – Love to Learn (O) Wisdom, Knowledge and Skills (S)</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Curriculum</b>	Leaders to identify the key knowledge, skills and subject vocabulary they want pupils to learn and remember in the foundation subjects so that pupils can achieve as well as they do in English and mathematics Curriculum content to be reviewed to ensure that all content is well sequenced to enable pupils to learn progressively
<b>2</b>	<b>Outcomes for Pupils</b>	Further improve outcomes in some aspects of core subjects by refining elements of teaching and learning practice
<b>B</b>	<b>Behaviour and Attitudes – Love to Learn (O) Community and Living Well Together (S) / Dignity and Respect (S)</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Behaviour</b>	Continue to develop resilience and excellent learning behaviours
<b>2</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	Continue to improve attendance and persistent absence whilst maintaining pre-emptive actions to ensure minimal school suspensions
<b>C</b>	<b>Personal Development (O) Character Development: Hope, Aspiration and Courageous Advocacy (S)</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>SIAMS Agenda</b>	Further embedding the ... revised Christian values timetable; opportunities to develop an active culture of justice and responsibility; opportunities for spiritual development within the curriculum; & develop the inclusivity of the school prayer and prayer boxes
<b>2</b>	<b>RE teaching and learning</b>	Review and embed new RE syllabus and assessment procedures
<b>3</b>	<b>Mental health and wellbeing</b>	Development of restorative practice principles; achievement of ARC Silver Award
<b>4</b>	<b>Climate action</b>	Development of simple climate action wins, and a shared responsibility for climate action progression
<b>D</b>	<b>Leadership and Management (O) Vision and Leadership (S)</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Foundation subject &amp; strategic leadership</b>	Senior leaders will ensure that subject leaders have sufficient opportunity, and the skills needed, to check the quality of curriculum delivery, and its impact on pupils' learning; Subject leaders to carry out regular monitoring checks on how well their subjects are planned and delivered – planning / book monitoring & Pupil Voice; self-evaluate the school against the new Ofsted framework, in order to identify next steps.
<b>2</b>	<b>Safeguarding</b>	Embedding efficient and effective safeguarding record keeping systems that can be accessed by all, through My Concern
<b>3</b>	<b>Governors</b>	Develop procedures and quality of 'evaluating the impact'
<b>4</b>	<b>Financial security</b>	Tight budget monitoring and implementation
<b>5</b>	<b>Outward-looking opportunities</b>	Create opportunities for the school / staff / children to further develop an outward-looking ethos – Lead Music School, Armed Forces Covenant, ARC Silver Award
<b>E</b>	<b>Early Years (O) Love to Learn</b>	
<b>1</b>	<b>EYFS curriculum</b>	Continue to revise, refine and evaluate the EYFS curriculum to identify the key knowledge, skills and subject vocabulary which children should know and remember, based on the revised EYFS Framework 2025



**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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(Matthew 5:16)

## 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: **COMPASSION**



This half term's Christian value is:

# COMPASSION

Educating for Hope and Aspiration

### A prayer of COMPASSION

Jesus help my eyes to see, all the good you send for me. Jesus help my ears to hear, calls for help from far and near. Jesus help my feet to go, in the way that you will show. Jesus help my hands to do, all things loving, kind and true. Amen

### A reflection on COMPASSION by Clare Traynor, Foundation Governor

**What is compassion?** The concept of compassion is sometimes used interchangeably with sympathy - a feeling of distress or pity for the suffering or misfortune of someone else. However, compassion goes further than sympathy; it embodies the desire to help. So, compassion is more than a feeling; it is a desire to care, to listen, to help and to act.

**Compassion in action ...** What are your instincts if you see a friend fall and cut their knee? When we see someone hurting, we want to offer them our hand. We help them up, and if we can, we try to fix the problem. This is compassion in action. It is the instinct to reach out when someone is hurting, even if we don't have the perfect words.

**Compassion in the Bible** - There are many stories in the Bible that illustrate compassion in action. One of these is **The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)**: Perhaps the Bible story we know best which demonstrates compassion is the parable of the Good Samaritan, or in your Storyteller Bible, The Kind Stranger (page 104). The Samaritan crossed not just the road but also cultural boundaries to care for someone in need. The Samaritan didn't hesitate; he saw suffering and responded with mercy, even when others passed by. As Christians, this is a story we look at frequently, and when I think of what I would do, I feel confident I would follow the Samaritan's example, but what would you do?

**Zacchaeus the Tax Collector (Luke 19:1-10)**: In this story, Jesus shows compassion to a tax collector called Zacchaeus. Tax collectors had a reputation for being liars and thieves, yet Jesus chose to dine at Zacchaeus' house and show him compassion.

This act transformed Zacchaeus' life, prompting him to give half his wealth to the poor and repay those he had wronged. This story teaches us that compassion can ignite positive change in even the most hardened hearts, but more than that, it also teaches us we should also be compassionate to people who we may not think deserve it. For me, this is the most challenging example of compassion in action.

**Closing thoughts** - In our busy world, compassion asks us to slow down. Whether it's your parents' weary eyes after a hard day or a friend's silence that speaks volumes, I hope your compassion tunes in to these signals of suffering and helps you to connect with each other.

Finally, compassion begins with ourselves. There is an often-used phrase that rings true - **you cannot pour from an empty cup**. To be compassionate toward others, we must learn to extend that same grace toward ourselves. We must forgive our own missteps and speak to ourselves with kind words.

