



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Kingsland CE (VA) Primary School



The Kingsland Times

Friday 13th December 2024

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 **RESPECT**

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



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

Please find a link to the Diocesan Nativity part 2: [Christmas Video No 2 Shepherds - YouTube](#) We hope you enjoy this instalment! School is awash with festivities as we rapidly head towards the end of the autumn term.

Children thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas dinner and pantomime performance of Jack and the Beanstalk on Thursday, and 14 children represented the school incredibly at the Army Benevolent Concert in Hereford Cathedral on Wednesday. We look forward to the KS1 nativity performances on Wednesday next week and our Christmas Carol Service in Kingsland Church on Friday 20th December.



PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

Wednesday 18 th December	KS1 nativity performances at 2.15pm and 5.30pm
Friday 20 th December	Christmas service in Kingsland Church 1.30pm – all welcome
Tuesday 7 th January	Start of term
Monday 13 th January	Parents' Show and Tell 2.45pm
Friday 17 th January	Y5/6 at Young Voices
Tuesday 21 st January	Solihull Understanding your child workshop for KS1 parents 5.30pm
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day
12 th and 13 th February	Parents' Evenings
17 th – 21 st February	Half term
Friday 11 th April	Term ends

The full 2024 - 2025 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:

In what ways can we show the peace of Christ to others?



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 **Thomas** ... Well done!

This week's attendance – well done Class 1!

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	School total
99.13%	96.0%	99.03%	97.58%	95.0%	97.25%



**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



Governor news: This week, the Love to Learn committee discussed the school's curriculum provision and pupil attainment and progress data. Next week the Full Governing Body will meet.

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Hannah Henry Perry	Hugh Harvey Oscar Rose	Matilda Commie Syd Eleanor Hattie	Bella Elsie

School X Account

The school has a new X (formerly Twitter) account! Just search for Kingsland CE Primary School and follow the account.

The school will only publish photographs of children on X for those who we already have website photographic consent on the current consent form that parents have previously completed. If any parents would like to change these preferences, please do contact the school office to complete a revised consent form.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Williams who has, this week, successfully achieved the National Professional Qualification of Headship (NPQH) and to Mr Debenham who has successfully achieved the National Professional Qualification of Executive Leadership (NPQEL).

Staff expertise

Did you know that six teachers at school have now successfully completed National Professional Qualifications ...? Miss Powis and Mr Powell with the NPQ Senior Leadership; Miss Corrick with NPQ Leading Teaching; Mrs Smith with NPQ Leading Behaviour and Culture. And now Miss Williams and Mr Debenham! It is a real privilege to work with such dedicated and skilled staff.

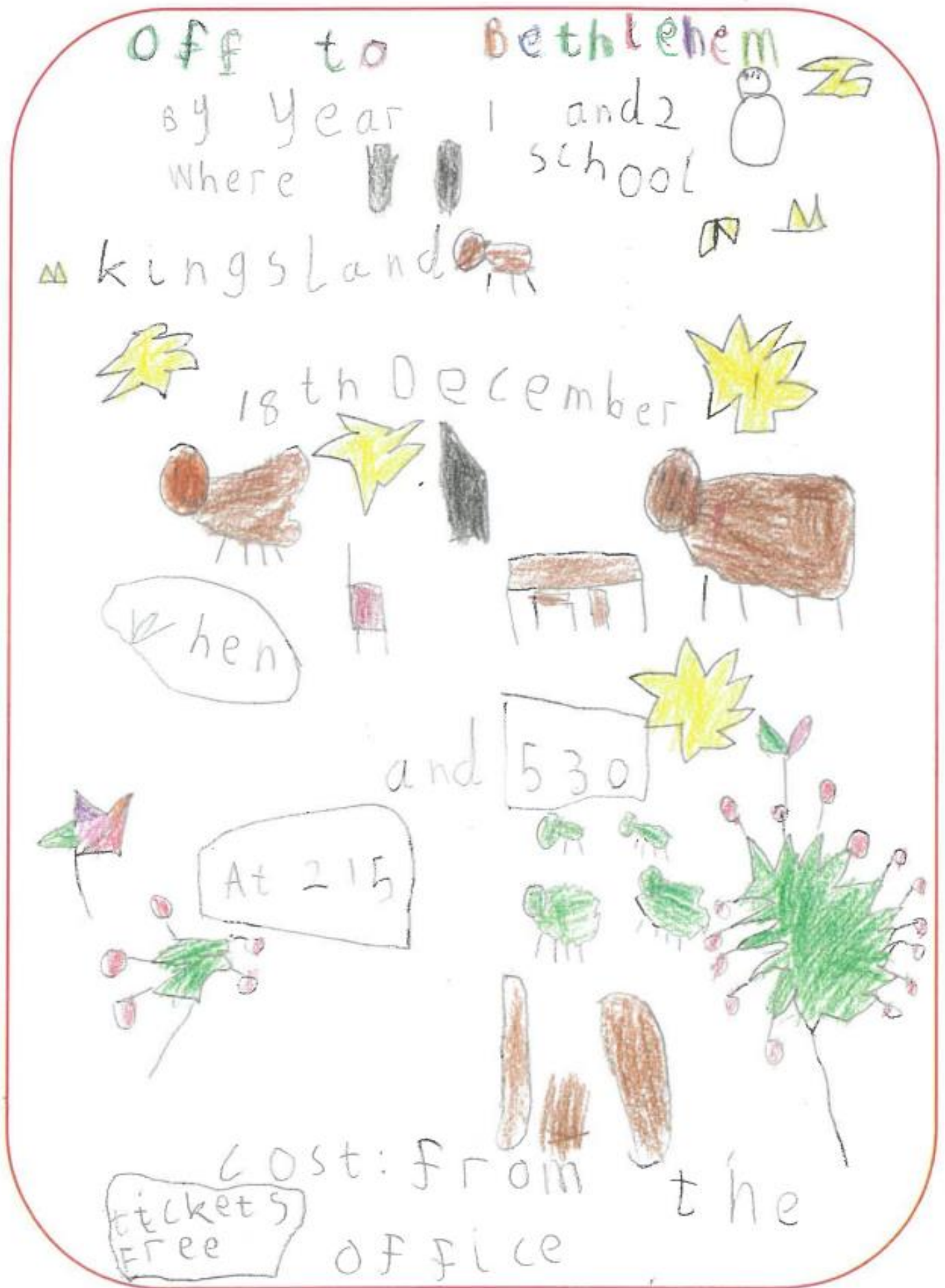
Jack and the Beanstalk pantomime ... what fun!

THANK YOU to the PTA for funding this wonderful performance.



Please see these fabulous adverts for our upcoming KS1 Nativity performances ...

Off to Bethlehem
by year 1 and 2 school
where kingsland
18th December
when
and 530
At 215
Cost: from the
tickets free office



OFF to BETHLEHEM

By: Year 1 and 2

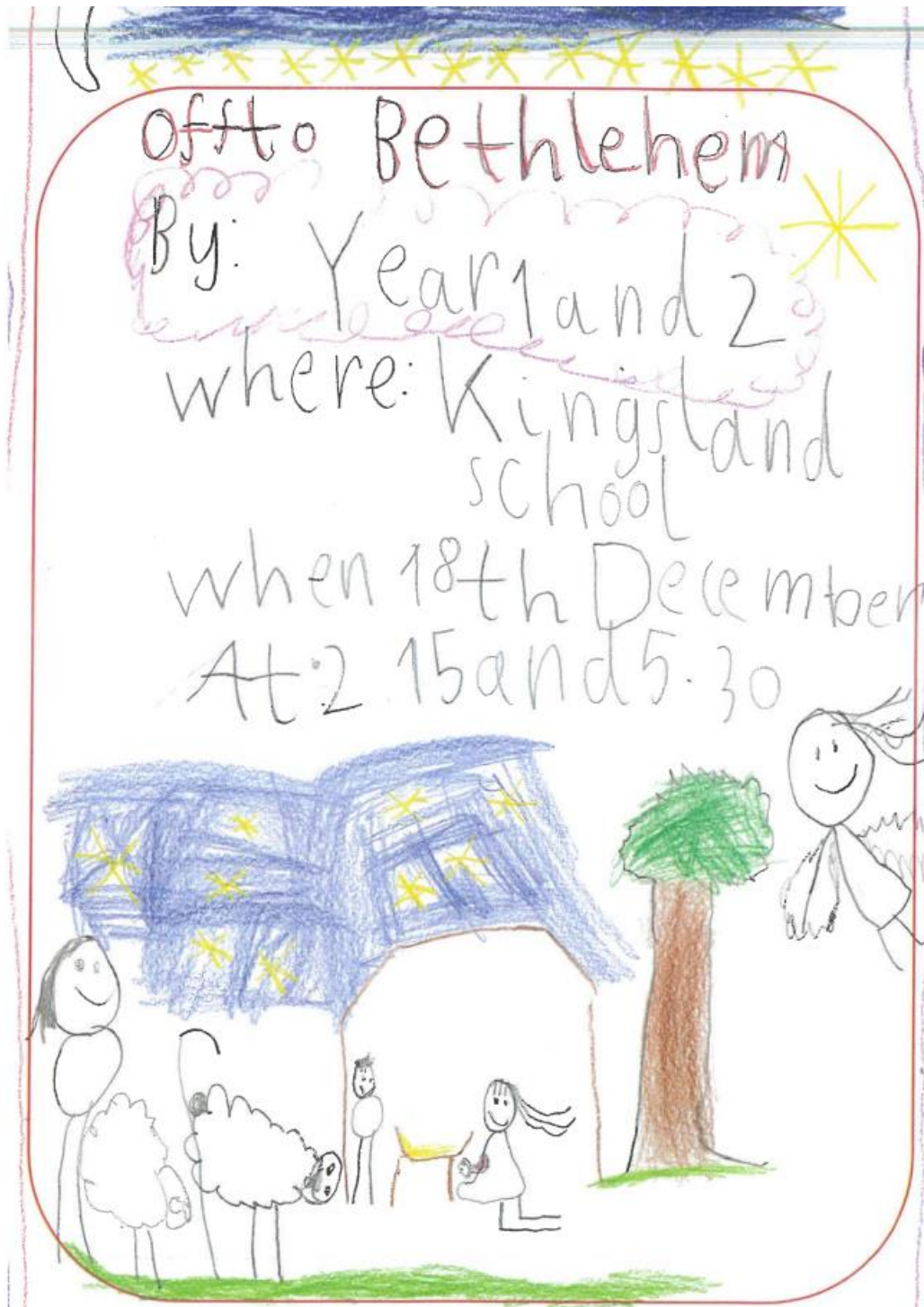
where: Kingsland school

When: 18th December

At: 2.15 and 5.30

Cost: Free tickets from the office





KS1 Nativity updates

Our KS1 nativity performances are being held on Wednesday 18th December at 2.15pm and 5.30pm. **All Y1 and Y2 children will be involved in both performances.** Tickets for our spectacular performances of Off to Bethlehem can be collected from the school office from Monday 9th December. Tickets are free – donations will be very gratefully received at each performance. **Tickets for the 5.30pm are now SOLD OUT. There are still a limited number of tickets for the 2.15pm performance. The PTA will be providing refreshments from 5pm – children should arrive back at school at 5pm, ready to get changed into costumes.**

Please could we take this opportunity to remind families that, due to safeguarding reasons, **photography and videoing is not allowed at school performances.** Thank you in advance.

Solihull: 'Understanding Your Child' News

Please click on this link to access the Herefordshire Local Authority Solihull newsletter:

[Wellbeing for school parents – new online resources](#)

We invite parents to our Parents' Show and Tell on Monday 13th January at 2.45pm ... a special opportunity to sit with your child and look through their books together.



**PTA Treat
WEDNESDAY**

18TH DECEMBER

£1

The poster features a festive winter theme with various illustrations including snowflakes, a reindeer, a gingerbread house, a gingerbread man, a red mug with a snowflake, a red stocking, a candy cane, a green gift box, a red and white striped candy cane, a red and white striped Christmas ball, a green Christmas tree, and a snowman. In the center, there are two images of treats: a row of snowman-shaped marshmallows and a large bouquet of popcorn decorated with small gingerbread figures.

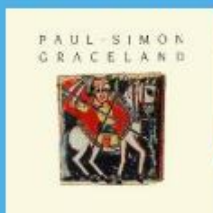
Ladysmith Black Mambazo has performed at many important events. The group sang when South African leaders Nelson Mandela and F.W. de Klerk received Nobel Peace Prizes in 1993.



Use the QR code to listen to Rain, Rain, Beautiful Rain.

Musician

Making Connections ...



In 1986, the group performed with the American singer Paul Simon on his album Graceland. Use the QR code to listen to Diamonds On The Soles Of Her Shoes.



Use the QR code to listen to Homeless.



Ladysmith Black Mambazo



Ladysmith Black Mambazo is an all-male singing group from South Africa. The group's music is known and loved all over the world.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo's style of singing and dancing is called *isicathamiya*. In this style, the singing is a cappella, or without instruments. The words are typically in Zulu or English.

The musician Joseph Shabalala founded the group in 1964. He named the group after his hometown, Ladysmith, in South Africa. Then he added the word black to stand for black bulls, which are said to be the strongest bulls on a farm. Finally, he added mambazo, which means "ax." The ax is a symbol of the group cutting down its competition.

of the Month

Use the QR code to listen to Ladysmith Black Mambazo sing the South African National anthem: Nkosi sikelel' iAfrika.





UK Health
Security
Agency

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



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

No

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

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



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>.

Information about the Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

Please find below information from the DfE about the Y4 Multiplication tables Check (Y4MTC) that all Y4 children will take in June 2025. Please do encourage your child to practise their times tables regularly.

Here is a link to a useful online learning tool: <https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>



Multiplication tables check

Do you have a child in year 4 at primary school?

If so, your child will be participating in the multiplication tables check (MTC) in June.

The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help your child's school to identify if your child may need additional support.

What is the multiplication tables check?

It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete.

What if my child cannot access the check?

There are several access arrangements available for the check, which can be used to support pupils with specific needs. Your child's teacher will ensure that the access arrangements are appropriate for your child before they take the check in June.

The check has been designed to be inclusive and accessible to as many children as possible, including those with special educational needs or disability (SEND) or English as an additional language (EAL). However, there may be some circumstances in which it will not be appropriate for a pupil to take the check, even when using suitable access arrangements.

If you have any concerns about your child accessing the check, you should discuss this with your child's school.

Do I need to do anything to prepare my child for the check?

No, you do not need to do anything additional to prepare your child for the check. As part of usual practice, teachers may ask you to practise times tables with your child.

Schools will have unlimited access to a 'try it out' area from April. They can use this to make sure pupils have the necessary support to access the check. This includes opportunities for pupils to familiarise themselves with the check application and try out any access arrangements that may be required.

How will the results be used?

Schools will have access to all their pupils' results, to allow them to identify pupils who need additional support.

Will I receive feedback on my child's check?

Yes. Your child's teacher will share your child's score with you. There is no pass mark for the check.

Further information

Your child's teacher will be able to answer any questions about the MTC.

For further details you can also visit www.gov.uk/STA.

Further information about the personal data we collect, process and store for the MTC is available in the department's [personal information charter](#)¹.

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Information for parents: multiplication tables check


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1. www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education/about/personal-information-charter



**Remembering key
knowledge and
vocabulary**

**Maintaining excellent
learning behaviours**

Kingsland CE Primary School



'Let Your Light Shine'



What are our aims for this year?

**Developing
sequential curriculum
planning**

**Improving school
attendance**



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(Matthew 5:16)



This half term's Christian value is:

RESPECT

Educating for Dignity and Respect



A prayer for RESPECT

Father God, open our eyes to value and appreciate all people. Help us to recognise what we have in common and respect what makes each of us unique. 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: **RESPECT**

A reflection on RESPECT by Rev Rosie Roberts (Kingsland Church)

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” (Jesus’ words in the Gospel of Matthew 22:39.)

During this last half-term, our school has focused on the Christian value of love. But how do we love God, our neighbour, and ourselves, as Jesus tells us we should? One of the ways we can do this is by showing RESPECT.

Respect is one of the key building blocks of a healthy community. It involves listening to other people, making space for opinions that are different from our own, and valuing everyone. We’re not always going to agree, but if we can find a way of disagreeing well, by showing respect to those we disagree with, then we’re more likely to find a way forward together. As well as respecting others, it’s important to respect ourselves too.

“R-E-S-P-E-C-T, find out what it means to me...” In this song, Aretha Franklin says that she deserves to be treated with the same respect that she shows to another person. This reflects a golden rule of the Christian faith – “do to others as you would have them do to you” (Matthew 7: 12).

Why are Christians taught to treat other people with respect? It comes from the knowledge that ALL people are made in the image of God, and so we’re invited to see this image in everyone we meet. This means treating everyone as though they’re special and worthy of respect, because we know that they are special to God. This is easy with people we like and agree with, but it’s harder with people we don’t get on with. Nevertheless, Jesus challenges us to love our enemies, because love can transform a situation and take away the power that hate and disagreement can have over us.

When we think about loving our neighbour as ourselves, it’s easy to forget that our first task is to love ourselves. If we can’t treat ourselves with love and respect, then we will be no good at showing this to our neighbour! Sometimes it’s easy to see God’s image in other people and forget that it’s in us too.

“R-E-S-P-E-C-T, find out what it means to me...” It means a world where everyone values themselves and each other. What a wonderful world that would be!