



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)  
Primary School**



# The Kingsland Times

Tuesday 19th December 2023

## 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 value

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

It has been an extremely busy and productive term, culminating in a frenzy of festive fun this week – KS1 nativity performances, theatre visit to Birmingham, Santa Safari visit for Class 1, Christmas lunch and parties. Hopefully, everyone is now fully in the Christmas spirit! We wish everyone a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Thursday 4th January.



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

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### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas service in Kingsland Church 1.30pm
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Start of new term
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
WB 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term holiday
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Winter Concert
WB 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Last day of term
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of summer term

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:

**If the donkey in the stable could have talked, what do you think he would have said?**



### This TERM'S attendance – well done Class 3!

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	School total
95.48%	96.26%	97.68%	95.62%	95.88%	96.27%

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

**Archie** and **Hector** for super progress and knowledge in maths; **Grace** for an excellent wreath painting;  
**Camila** for super writing about the safari park – well done!

### Message from Leominster Food Bank

Leominster Food Bank will be open as usual on Tuesday and Friday mornings from 11-12 during the Christmas holiday.



An update from the school governors: last week, the **Full Governing Body** met to discuss SEND provision in the school and possible future building work to the school site.

## House Tokens

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

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Henry Lucy James Anna Jacob	Ebby Harriet	Matilda Ronnie Yarna Otilie	Aidan Wilf Hattie Teddy Arthur Alfie

Congratulations to Ambrey for winning this half term's house competition!



Final total for the Rudolph Run is £3286.35 – what an incredible achievement! THANK YOU to everyone who sponsored the children, and to Mr Williams, Miss Davis and Mr Powell for organising the event.

## Messages from Kingsland Church:



### Carol Services

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

Kingsland Church 3.30pm  
Eardisland Church 5pm



### Crib Service

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
4pm Kingsland Church  
*Set up the characters of the Christmas story in the stable and sing traditional music*



### Christmas Day Family Service

25<sup>th</sup> December

10.30am Kingsland Church

*Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus. Singing, prayers and a talk. If you have unwrapped any Christmas presents then bring them along!*

For more information about any of these services, please contact  
[rev.julie@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk](mailto:rev.julie@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk)  
[wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk](mailto:wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk)

or look on the website:  
<https://kingslandchurch.co.uk/>



Messy Church back on  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## Reception admissions for 2024-2025

Do you have a child born between  
1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020

If so you will need to apply for a school place  
by 15 January 2024  
(to commence September 2024)

Applications can be completed from  
**11 September 2023** 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)

Thank You!

A huge THANK YOU to the PTA for all the fundraising events held this year!

And THANK YOU to Mr Mills for washing up all the Christmas dinner crockery and cutlery.

## KS1 Nativity – It's a Baby



Parental quote: "The Nativity was amazing last night and all the children did amazingly! Thank you so much for everything you have done for my child this year!!"





THANK YOU for the generous donations towards the school's performing arts fund.



# Class 1 Nativity Tableau





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**HOLIDAYS**



# FREE FAMILY ACTIVITY DAY

**ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDE**

PARKOUR, FOOTBALL,  
BOXING, AERIAL HOOP,  
CHANCE TO GO CAVING

**+ GET  
A FREE  
MEAL**

**COME  
AND  
MEET**

**THE GRINCH OLAF  
SANTA'S ELVES**



**WHITECROSS HIGH SCHOOL,  
HEREFORD, HR4 0RN**



**SATURDAY 23RD DECEMBER,  
9:30AM - 1:30PM**

BOOK ONLINE AT: [WWW.EEQU.ORG/EXPERIENCE/2205](http://WWW.EEQU.ORG/EXPERIENCE/2205)  
CONTACT THE TEAM AT: [HAF@HEREFORDSHIRE.GOV.UK](mailto:HAF@HEREFORDSHIRE.GOV.UK)



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**HOLIDAYS**



If you are a parent or carer of a school aged child 5 to 16 years old (Reception to year 11), who is eligible for benefits-related free school meals\*, you can book up to 16 hours of free activities throughout the Christmas holidays. The programme is running from Sat 23rd December to Friday 5th January.

- FOREST SCHOOL
- RACKET GAMES
- CIRCUS SKILLS
- OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
- FOOTBALL
- COOKING
- SWIMMING
- BIKING
- FARM VISIT
- CLIMBING
- PANTO
- CRAFTING
- DANCE
- FLIP OUT
- BOXING
- GYM

Your child will also receive a free nutritious meal during each session. Some providers are able to offer provision for children with SEND or additional needs.

**ELIGIBLE FAMILIES CAN BOOK THEIR PLACES THROUGH THE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES PAGE ON THE TALK COMMUNITY WEBSITE FROM WED 29TH NOVEMBER:**  
[WWW.TALKCOMMUNITY.ORG/HOLIDAYACTIVITIES](http://WWW.TALKCOMMUNITY.ORG/HOLIDAYACTIVITIES)

Places are limited and will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis. We understand children aren't always able to attend booked activities, however, We would kindly request that children are cancelled off the session via the booking system to enable others to attend.

MEET THIS  
YEAR'S  
ACTIVITY  
PROVIDERS

COME TO OUR FREE FAMILY ACTIVITY DAY  
WHITECROSS HIGH SCHOOL, 23RD DECEMBER, 9:30AM - 1:30PM

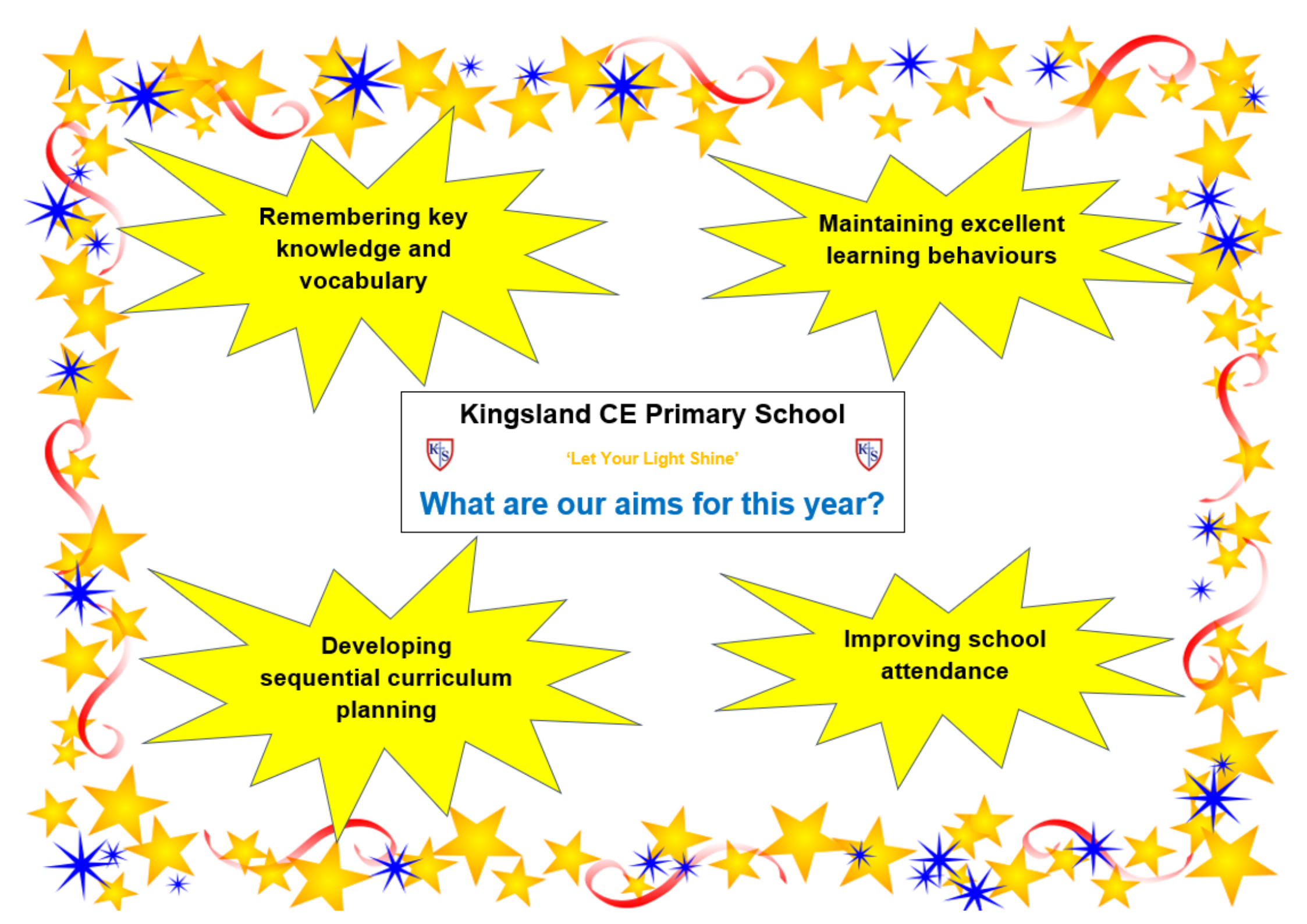
\*Checks will be made to ensure that children meet this criteria.

If you have a question about HAF, please contact the team:

[HAF@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@herefordshire.gov.uk)



TALK COMMUNITY



**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 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!