



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 26th November 2021

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)

Here is an extract from Peter Greenfield’s reflection about RESPECT: God loves us and has made us to be like him. God has greater value than all creation, being the creator. It is therefore incredible that we, in a way, are like God. The fact that God loves us and made us to be like him means that we should love and respect OURSELVES. As God loves everyone, we are to respect EVERYONE, even the people that we find difficult to respect. But how do we do it? I have already given the answer: treat others as you would want to be treated yourself.

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

Friday 3 rd December	PTA disco (Classes 1/2/3 5.15 – 6.15pm; Classes 4/5 6.30 – 7.30pm)
Monday 6 th December	Flu vaccines
Wednesday 8 th December	Class 1 Santa Safari visit
Monday 13 th December	KS1 and KS2 visit to Malvern Theatre
Thursday 16 th December	Christmas dinner
Friday 17 th December	Christmas service in Kingsland Church / last day of term
Thursday 6 th January 2022	Start of term

The full 2021 - 2022 term dates can be found on the school website following the link:

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

Christmas Jumper Day

We shall be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 10th December. Children will be able to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper (instead of their school jumper), in exchange for a £1 donation for Save the Children. Children should wear the rest of their normal school uniform. Class 4/5 children can wear their Christmas jumper with their PE kit on that day, but should also bring their red PE hoodie to school for their PE lessons.



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

Harper for super phonics work; **Millie** and **Poppy** for demonstrating excellent communication skills and for working as a team within their 'Crime and Punishment', DT lessons; **Cormac** for showing perseverance skills, in writing up his recount of his experience at Manor Adventure; **Darcey** and **Eva** for being creative in their design and the making of their Crime and Punishment 3D model of a drunkard's cloak; **William** for perseverance and willingness to have a go at multiplying 2 digits by 2 digits and finally saying today, "I've got it now!"; **Ronnie** for super writing about hens; **Hatty**, **Jess**, **Evie** and **Jasmine** for writing fantastic biographies about Howard Carter – well done!

Bingo

The bingo is a fantastic fundraiser, with £1,549 being raised for our school at the last event. We hope to make a huge success of it again this year, and ask if any parents/carers would be happy to also donate, or ask their employers, for raffle prizes. Any donations would be gratefully received, and can be dropped into the school office.

The Bingo will be held at the Leominster Sports and Social Club on Wednesday 8th December at 7pm.



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. The most recent winner has been **Meghan** ... Well done!

Christmas Service and Nativity

You will have by now seen the letter sent out last week from Herefordshire Council regarding Covid measures in the run up to Christmas. With continued concern about large gatherings indoors, we shall be recording this year's KS1 Nativity, and publishing it as a video, like we did last year, rather than doing live performances – the school building is just not suitable to host large audiences during the pandemic.

However, families will have the luxury of having access to a recording.

After discussions with Rev Julie Read and school governors, it has been decided to alter our original plans for the Christmas Service. With the continued restoration project of the church, seating numbers have been greatly reduced meaning we are no longer able to offer the opportunity for even one family member to attend safely during the Covid pandemic. Instead, children will take part in a service in church starting at 2pm, where they will be given a tea light to represent 'Let Your Light Shine'. Parents are invited to join us outside the church at 2.30pm for the Class 1 tableau and to join in with some Christmas carols. Children will then be able to leave early, after walking back to school with their class.



An update from the school governors: this week the Learn to Love governors met to discuss the Christmas service plans and to monitor the Christian distinctiveness of the school.

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Arthur	Finn	Ronnie	Hattie
Madeline	Harley	Eva	Millie
Lexi	Harry	Rosie	Chloe
Aaron	Bethany	Lilly	Will
Sophie	Evie	Matilda	Poppy
RJ	Joseph	Eleanor	Olive
Malvina			Rockley
Harry			Darcey
India			Theo
Perry			Arthur
Martha			

Kingsland Church Reopening

Dear School Families,

You will be very glad that the day is coming when Kingsland Church will re-open its doors for our community and our school. There have been 6 months of hard work going on to re-decorate, to mend cracks in the walls, to restore windows and to make the church water-tight. During this time we have been camping in the Coronation Hall and other venues and our usual calendar of events has been somewhat curtailed.

To celebrate our re-opening we are holding a Grand Draw with Cash Prizes of £200, £100 and £50 plus 3 hampers and other prizes, and we hope that you will help us by purchasing a book of tickets for your family. Raffle tickets are being sent home with children in book bags.

Please return the enclosed book of raffle tickets either sold or unsold by Friday 26th November (in the drop boxes on the school gates). The draw will take place at the Corner's Inn on Tuesday 7th December at our Christmas Coffee Morning with stalls to buy Christmas gifts, cards and candles (10 – 12noon). All are welcome.



A FAMILIAR
TREASURE
— IN OUR MIDST —

Grand reopening of Kingsland Church!

Saturday 4th December

2pm - official opening ceremony

3pm - heritage talk and tour

3.30 - have a go ... steel pans

4.30 - have a go ... handbell ringing

5pm - lighting of the memorial yew

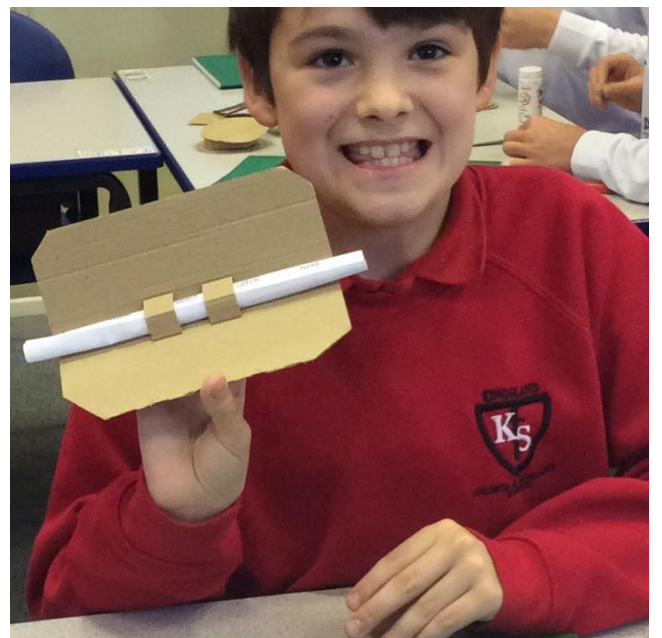
All afternoon - music, refreshments,
children's activities, displays,
village groups' information tables

Whether you've lived here forever or moved here
last month, please join us in a celebration of
Kingsland's church, history and community life!

further info: familiartreasureinourmidst@gmail.com

Class 5 Crime and Punishment Topic

This term, Class 5 have been learning about Crime and Punishment. In D&T this week the children made imitation guillotines.



Come and get
your **glow** on, at the
UV disco



Kingsland School WINTER DISCO



Friday 3rd December
£4 per ticket

Class 1/2/3 - 5.15pm to 6.15pm
Class 4/5 - 6.30pm to 7.30pm

*Refreshments
and UV face paint
included in the
ticket price*



Please bring ticket money in a sealed envelope, with your child/children's name(s) and class written on it, by Friday 26th November. Please write clearly on the envelope if your child has an allergy or can't wear face paint.



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This half term's Christian value is:

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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 Peter Greenfield (Kingsland Church) ...

'In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you' (Jesus' words in the Gospel of Matthew 7:12).

During this last half-term, our school has focused on the Christian value of love. But love is not merely a feeling or an attitude. It is to be applied through RESPECTING others: by doing to others as you would have them do to you.

When I was a schoolboy, students would fist-bump with their friends saying the word, 'Respect', as if respect were something cool and exclusive to one another's friends. When we have a friend, we will often respect them. The Christian value of respect is different, however. We are invited to show respect to all, because of God's love for us and ALL others.

God loves us and has made us to be like him. God has greater value than all creation, being the creator. It is therefore incredible that we, in a way, are like God. The fact that God loves us and made us to be like him means that we should love and respect OURSELVES. As God loves everyone, we are to respect EVERYONE, even the people that we find difficult to respect. But how do we do it? I have already given the answer: treat others as you would want to be treated yourself.

Let me give an example ... you may want that last piece of chocolate cake, but a friend (or another person) may also want it. By treating them as you would want to be treated, you offer them that last piece of cake before trying to take it yourself. The likelihood is that they will split it in half and share with you anyway!

During these difficult times of Covid-19, we have all had to show respect to others, and I want to encourage you to keep doing that by putting yourselves in the shoes of another person. Imagine if it were you who had to go into hospital because others were not obeying the rules. Many people have broken the rules because it has not hit them that other people might suffer and die because of them. But we have the opportunity, as Christians, to demonstrate a respectful way of living, and we hope that it may set an example so that all people may treat others as they would wish to be treated.

If such a level of respect could be achieved, this world would be like heaven!