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**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

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Let your light shine

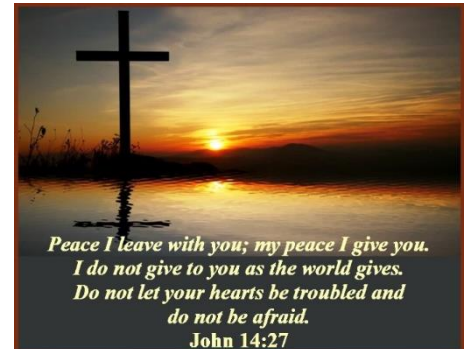
“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:16

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
PEACE

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)

As headteacher, I understand the privilege it is to walk around school and witness the magic that is in the air in each classroom. Staff have worked exceptionally hard to ensure the impact of the disruption caused by the pandemic has been minimised, quickly assessing each child's individual needs and addressing them with high quality teaching and learning at all times. The children are motivated with excellent attitudes to learning, and are rediscovering their virtues of resilience, determination and perseverance.

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Covid testing

If your child is showing any of the three main symptoms of Covid, they must get a **PCR test** as soon as possible from a test centre (by booking online).

Lateral Flow Tests should only be used by **adults** who do **not** have Covid symptoms, and are **not** for use for **children** of primary school age.

Please click [here](#) for more information.



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. Recent recipients have been **Austin** and **Lilly**. Well done!

Remote Learning Resources

Our revised remote learning provision from 8th March can be found [here](#) for individual children or groups who are having to self-isolate.

Big Question

We continue our series of BIG QUESTIONS as a focus for family discussions. This week’s BIG QUESTION is:

How can we bring peace to our busy lives?



An update from the school governors: the Learn to Love ethos committee met on Tuesday – agenda items included the Y6 leavers’ celebration, RSHE provision and a revision to the admissions policy. The Safeguarding committee met on Wednesday to discuss the school’s recent legionella survey, Covid safety measures in school and plans for September.

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

Nora for super determination when painting a picture of a pineapple; **Meghan** and **Isabelle** for super reading to Mr Debenham; **Hallie** and **Harry** for a great improvements in their attitudes to learning; **Scarlett** and **Olivia** for super character descriptions; **Poppy**, **Lilly**, **Ollie**, **Ashton** and **Charley** for super instructional writing; **Faith**, **Harley**, **Rory**, **Eve** and **Rosie** for great work about rural and urban Africa; **Arthur**, **Olive**, **Max**, **Eva**, **Sam**, **Sophie** and **Rockley** for great writing about the Space-Bat-Angel Dragon – well done!

This week’s attendance

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	School total
96.88%	95.9%	96.09%	99.22%	100%	97.67%
Well done Class 5!					

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Josh	Harley Daniel Harry Riley Imogen	Eva	Poppy William Bella



High school transition

We have been informed that the planned Y6 high school transition day on 8th July will no longer be taking place due to the extended Covid restrictions and the inevitable mixing of bubble groups. We understand that individual high schools will be adapting their transition plans and will contact relevant parents directly.

Unfortunately, the Y5 taster days at EMC and Wigmore have also been postponed, and will hopefully be rearranged for the autumn term.

Please note the following recent letter to parents from Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education:

Education Secretary Gavin Williamson has today written to secondary school and college parents and guardians in England to talk about the importance of regular testing when it comes to keeping covid out of the classroom.

The Prime Minister announced on 14 June that step 4 of the roadmap would have to be paused for up to four weeks because of the spread of the new variant.

With the increase in cases with variants of concern, it is important to continue regular testing in order to detect cases of coronavirus, stay ahead of the virus and keep covid out of the classroom.

This means that regular asymptomatic testing for all will continue, and we need you and your children who are in secondary school or college to carry on testing at home, twice a week.

As you know, testing has been playing a vital role in our response to the virus. It is helping to break chains of transmission by identifying asymptomatic positive cases quickly. This means those who test positive can self-isolate, keeping other pupils and students in face-to-face education. Reporting all test results, positive or negative, helps the health experts have a clearer picture of any potential outbreaks in different parts of the country.

I want to thank you all for your efforts so far. I know that this has been an enormously challenging time for families, who have faced many pressures over the past 18 months. Your continued support in helping us fight the virus has been vital.

Secondary pupils and college students, households and their bubbles, along with school and college staff have now completed more than 50 million tests since these were introduced back in January. That really is an incredible number and we need you to continue your efforts.

It is wonderful to see so many children back in school and through your actions we can work together to keep everyone safe ensuring we can also keep your children in school with their friends.

Rt Hon Gavin Williamson CBE MP Secretary of State for Education

Please note the following letter to parents from Herefordshire's Director of Public Health, Dr Rebecca Howell-Jones:



Dear Parents and Guardians

As the second half of the summer term begins I would like to thank you and your children and young people for continuing to play your part in preventing the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Herefordshire and helping to keep our schools open.

With Government regulations easing, it may feel that schools should start to relax some of the measures but we have requested that schools continue to follow the COVID-19 safety measures for the next 6 weeks to keep students and staff safe and help them to remain open. We ask you to please continue to play your part and support your child's school by continuing to follow the measures below:

- Wear face coverings and social distance at drop off and pick up times.
- Stay at home and get a PCR test if you, or a household member, have a new continuous cough, high temperature or loss of smell or taste. To book your PCR test, please visit: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or phone 119.
- Take part in lateral flow testing 2 times per week if you are a parent or are a secondary school or college student. To order your tests to be delivered to your home or find your nearest test site, please visit: www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests
- Let your school know as soon as possible if you have a positive test result, either on a lateral flow or PCR test.

It is important that we all work together to keep the levels of COVID-19 cases low in our county. You can help with this by booking your COVID-19 vaccination as soon as you are eligible. At the time of writing this letter anyone aged over 25 years can book a vaccination. To find more information on vaccinations and booking, please visit: www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/

As society re-opens some areas in the UK are beginning to see COVID-19 cases rise again and some schools have had to close to stop the spread of the virus. Herefordshire schools are working extremely hard to keep their pupils in school for the final six weeks of the summer term. In order to do this, it may mean that decisions have to be made relating to school trips and sports days. It may be that some of these traditional events sadly cannot go ahead or they may look very different this year and we ask that you support your school with these tough decisions.

Finally, please remember to protect yourself and others by following the COVID-19 safety guidelines:

- Keep windows open
- Socialise outside where possible
- Follow the Hands, Face, Space guidelines
- Wear a face covering in public buildings and on public transport

Thank you for your continuing to play your part to keep Herefordshire safe.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr Rebecca Howell-Jones".

Dr Rebecca Howell-Jones
Herefordshire's Director of Public Health

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On the death of Prince Phillip, Class 2 children wrote to the Queen to express their sorrow and to send her their prayers. They were very excited this week to receive a letter back from the Queen thanking them for their kind words of sympathy. Well done Class 2 – yet another super example of your consideration of others and your courageous advocacy.



An important message from the school governors: during this week's Safeguarding meeting, the issue of unsafe parking outside school was raised and discussed. Parents are once again reminded, **please do not park or drop off on the yellow zig zag lines outside school at any time**, for the safety of all our children. Thank you.





St. Michael's Mount

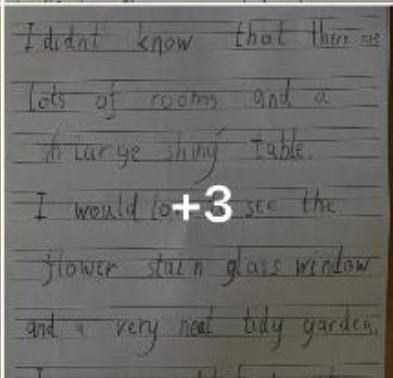
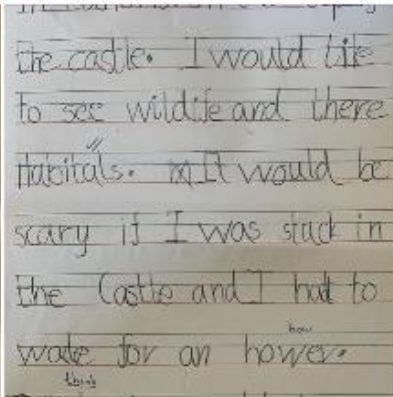
Yesterday at 4:28 PM · 🌐

"I was amazed to find out the tide goes out and the tide comes in..."

When we advertised the job description for the Castle Officer vacancy, we had thousands of applications from all around the world. It inspired some of the most creative cover letters that we've ever seen! We were humbled and blown away by the response. Thank you to everyone who applied and we are sorry we can't reply to you all individually, we appreciate how much effort goes into every application.

We thought we'd share a few rather special ones with you. These are from letters written by pupils aged 5/6 at Kingsland C.E Primary School in Herefordshire. They were keen to apply for the role after learning about castles in their topic about 'homes long ago'.

We hope you enjoy reading them as much as we did!

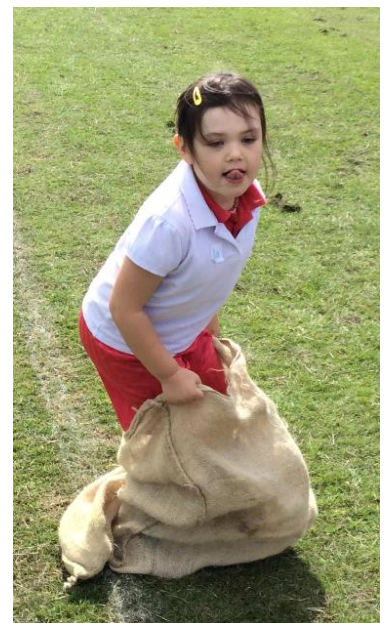


Another surprise in Class 2!

As well as receiving their message from the Queen this week, we are delighted to have received communication from St Michael's Mount, thanking Class 2 children on their letters of application for a post at the famous castle. A special 'thank you' was even posted on their social media page. Super effort Class 2, well done!



Sports' Day 2021







Well done to all our super competitors!



Congratulations to MORTIMER who won the Sports' Day Cup!



Dates for your diary

Monday 7 th June	Start of summer 2 term
Tuesday 8 th June	Class 3 African drumming workshop
Thursday 10 th June	Class 1 swimming (and each Thursday this half term)
Tuesday 15 th June	Y5/6 Young Voices Big Sing
Thursday 17 th / 24 th / 1 st July / 8 th July	New YR children visiting school
Tuesday 22 nd June	Sports' Day (sorry, no parental spectators this year)
Wednesday 23 rd June	Y5 taster day at Earl Mortimer College – postponed
Friday 25 th June	Y6 visit to the Knife Angel, Hereford
Tuesday 29 th June	Sports' Day back-up day (sorry, no parental spectators)
Thursday 1 st July	Y3/4 visit to Oaker Wood
Friday 2 nd July	Y5/6 visit to Oaker Wood
Tuesday 6 th July	Class 4 visit to Rooted Forest School
Wednesday 7 th July	Summer Games
Wednesday 7 th July	Wigmore Information Evening for Y6 children
Thursday 8 th July	Y6 transition day to high schools – cancelled
Thursday 8 th July	Class swap morning / Parental phone consultations
Tuesday 13 th July	Y5 taster day at Wigmore HS – postponed
Tuesday 13 th July	Class 1 / Class 2 visit to Eastnor Castle
Tuesday 13 th July	Y6 leavers' service with Hereford Diocese (no parents)
Wednesday 14 th July	Y6 leavers' celebration evening (3.45pm) – Y6 parents welcomed – please note the revised date
Thursday 15 th July	Class 5 visit to Muddy Puddles
Thursday 15 th July	Class 3 picnic at Pinsley Brook
Tuesday 20 th July	175 th anniversary celebrations (sorry, no parents)
Tuesday 20 th July	Last day of term
Monday 6 th September 2021	First day of autumn term

The revised 2020 - 2021 term dates can be found on the school website (2021-2022 and 2022-2023 term dates are now also available) following the link: <https://www.kingslandceprimary.com/term-dates/>

Due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, our normal shared events will be arranged on an ongoing basis as the situation is constantly changing. We will endeavour to keep things as normal as possible but will understandably avoid large gatherings of people.



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This half term's Christian value is:

PEACE

Educating for Hope and Aspiration



A prayer for PEACE

God of peace, We pray for peace in our world, and an end to conflict. Instead of hatred, let there be love. Shelter your children and protect us. Guide us and keep us from harm, so we can build a world of love and live our lives in peace. 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: **PEACE**

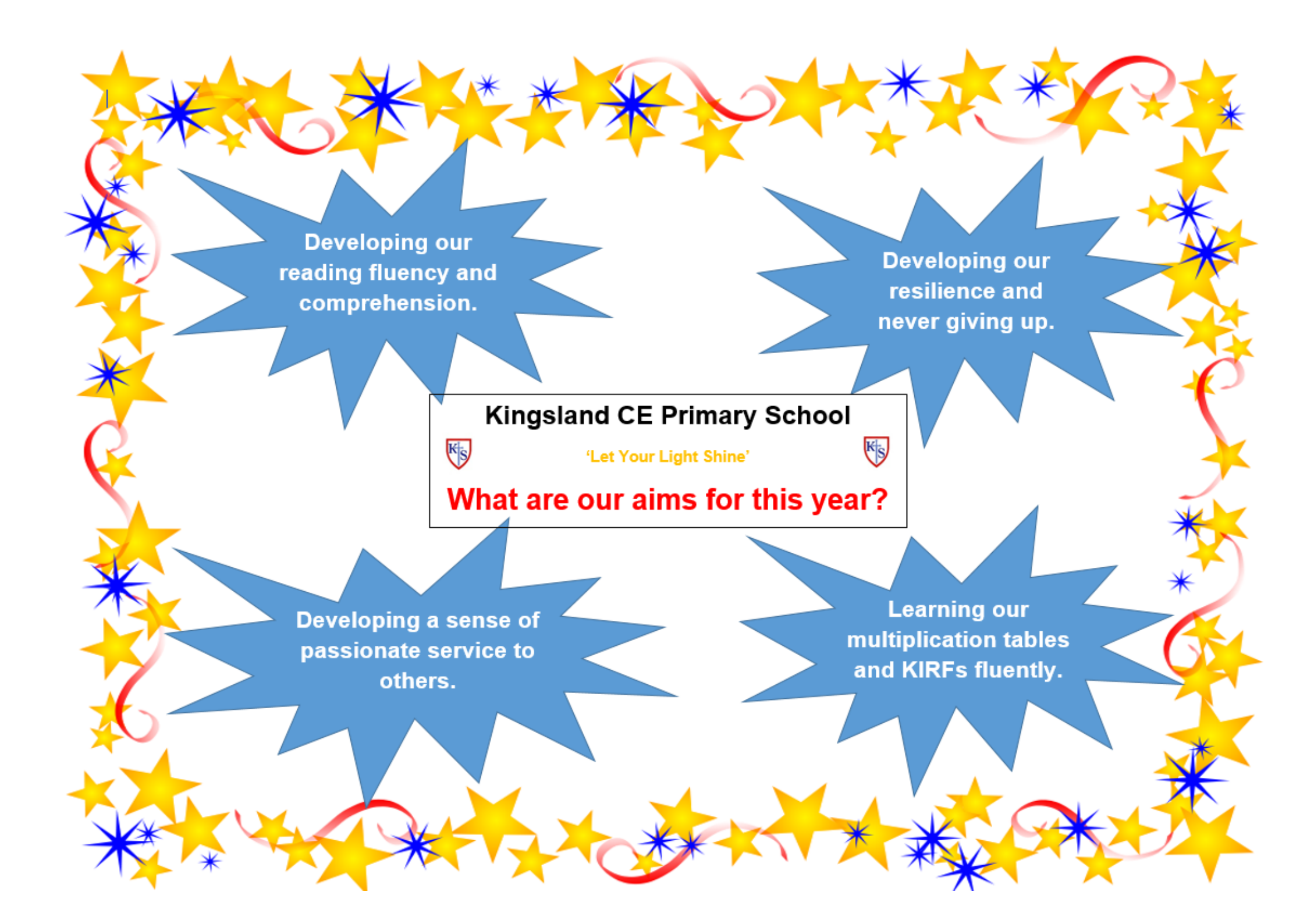
A reflection on PEACE by Hannah Vernon, Foundation Governor, Eardisland Church

Do you ever find yourself in a REALLY bad temper? Like you're boiling with rage? Or do you get really worried or scared about something, and you can't seem to think about anything else? I think this happens to everyone, a lot of the time! When I'm angry or anxious, all my thoughts and emotions spin wildly around me, and it's like I'm caught up in a whirlwind!

When this happens, I think about or look for the things which bring me PEACE. Cuddling my dog can provide some calm; counting to ten makes breathing a little easier; finding somewhere quiet to sit still helps; but what works best for me is a bike ride, and remembering my favourite line from the Bible: 'I will lift up my eyes to the hills' (Psalm 121). I hop on my bike, and pedal away until I can see Hay Bluff and other peaks of the Black Mountains in the distance. For me, that view and those words represent peace and they make me feel better: peace is a bit like medicine for the soul.

So, what does peace mean to YOU, and how do you find it? Maybe peace is a place, like your garden, or a den, where nobody else is allowed to enter! Perhaps peace is a feeling you get when someone gives you a long hug. Peace might be a moment, when nothing or nobody around you is disturbing you. You might see peace when you gaze at a burning candle or a calm sea. You might hear peace, when you're by a trickling stream or somewhere completely silent. Everyone's experience and definition of peace will be different, but, hopefully, everyone can find some form of peace in their daily life, wherever they are in the world.

For Christians, Jesus is the source of peace. In the Old Testament, Isaiah tells us of Jesus' birth and that he will be named 'Prince of Peace' (Isaiah 9:6). Then, when Jesus is a grown man, on the night before his crucifixion, he tells his anxious disciples, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.' This is a promise that Jesus makes: that if we have faith and put our problems in God's hands, He will put peace in our hearts.



Developing our
reading fluency and
comprehension.

Developing our
resilience and
never giving up.

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'Let Your Light Shine'



What are our aims for this year?

Developing a sense of
passionate service to
others.

Learning our
multiplication tables
and KIRFs fluently.