



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Kingsland CE (VA) Primary School



# The Kingsland Times

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

*'Learn to Love – Love to Learn'*

## 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 **COURAGE**.

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)

After enjoying the festivities, our term is well under way. Already we have enjoyed a musical concert given by members of Hereford Sixth Form College, and the teachers have had in-depth discussions about the children's progress and how best we can support and challenge all our children. Please do note the upcoming events in the "Dates for your diary" section.



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

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### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Winter Concert 6pm
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
WB 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 4.30-7.30pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Day of Prayer (Y6 children)
11 <sup>th</sup> March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival Celebration Concert 5.30pm
13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Ventures residential
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Service in Kingsland Church 1.30pm

The full 2019 - 2020 term dates can be found on the school website (2020-2021 term dates are also available) following the link: <https://www.kingslandceprimary.com/term-dates/>



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. Our recent winners have been: Scarlett and Harry. Well done to both of you!

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

**Matilda** for super writing about her Christmas news; **Connie** and **Bella** for writing super letters; **William, Eva, Sophie, Maxwell** and **Alexa** for great progress with their handwriting; **Rockley, Maxwell, Malvina** and **Bethany** for progress in maths; **Thomas, Nate, Ben** and **Oilly** for great team work; **Ashton** for super knowledge about current affairs; **Aimee** and **Carina** for having a super attitude; **Mary, Aimee, Joseph, Oilly, Callum** and **Poppy** for super progress in reading; **Emily** for great progress in writing; **Joseph** and **Maisie** for deep thinking outside the box; **Jack** for great perseverance with a maths problem – well done!

### Current attendance levels – from 4<sup>th</sup> September to 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	School total
92.5%	95.9%	97.1%	97.1%	96.9%	96.1%
<b>Well done to Class 3 and Class 4 – you have the best attendance record!</b>					

### House Tokens

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

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Peter	Ebony	Theodore	Theo
Harry	The Class 1 Team	Lilly	Archie
Owen	Maximus	Eva	Poppy
Charley	Daniel	Sam	Edie
Ada	Evie	Maxwell	Rockley
Sophie	Hugo	Louise	Mollie
Faith	Harley	Harriett	Callum
Aaron		Max	Will
Josh		Lilly	
		Alexa	



## PTA

ALL are welcome to the next PTA meeting which will be held on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 2.30pm in school.**

### £ for £ Match Funding

You will hopefully be aware of the fantastic work Kingsland PTA are doing to raise funds for our school. We wanted to take this opportunity to remind you about the Match Funding scheme and how a little bit of your time could raise double the funds for the PTA.

If you work for an organisation that has a Match Funding policy, any money raised could be matched by your employer. Companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on. Usually, the employee will need to supply them with a letter from the PTA detailing the date and nature of the event, together with the total raised.

We understand that the high street banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations are likely to support Match Funding, but these schemes are not exclusive to the major corporate giants. If you work for an independent company, they may be interested in charitable giving through Match Funding too.

We would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to ask your employer if they have a Match Funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events. If you can't help out this time, but you know the company you work for has a match funding policy, please let us know. This could be a really large source of income for the PTA and help us raise money to enhance the experience all of our children have at Kingsland School.

If you are able to help us this way, please let Claire Martin (Harriet's Mum - YR 2) know and we can discuss your companies' requirements.

Thank you in advance for your support.

### Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival

Preparations for the HPAF are well underway. We are thrilled to have a team of 8 skilled coaches who are kindly volunteering their time and expertise to help children learn poems. Children have got approximately 6 weeks to prepare, so please do help them learn their poem.



### Winter Concert

Our annual Winter Concert will be held on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm in the school hall.** This is for children who have instrumental lessons, either in school or out of school. The choir and steel band will also be playing, so do please put the date in your diary. Tickets will be on sale soon – more information to follow.



Beat the January Blues!

# QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER

**FOR THE FAMILIAR TREASURE IN OUR MIDST  
CHURCH REPAIR AND COMMUNITY PROJECT**

Saturday 18th January  
Kingsland Coronation Hall  
7 for 7.30pm start £5 entry  
Teams of up to 6

**RAFFLE      BAR      FOOD**

**A Familiar Treasure in our Midst will be a major project taking place at Kingsland Church, if sufficient funding is raised. It will undertake urgent repairs to the building, including the redecoration of the interior, as well as offering local people a range of opportunities to engage with 700 years of local history. The project team need to raise £70,000 in order to obtain a further £500,000 of grant funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund.**

## Growth mindset

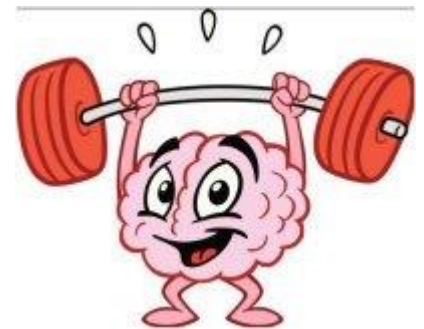
Recently, we have been talking about Growth Mindset. We want the children to understand that it is okay to be stuck, and that some of their best learning is done when they find things the hardest. Rather than simply praising success we praise effort and persistence.

We believe the best thing to do is to teach children to love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort, and keep on learning. For children who find work easy we make sure they encounter more difficult tasks. Our children recognise that effort, persistence and good teaching are what help them improve.

We shall be looking at and learning about the two types of mindsets that children and adults can have, a 'fixed' mindset and a 'growth' mindset. Below is an overview of the traits of each:

### Fixed Mindset

- I like my work to be easy
- I don't like to try a challenge
- I want people to praise me for how clever I am
- I believe I cannot change how clever I am
- I don't like to try new things because I won't be very good at it
- I give up easily



### Growth Mindset

- I never give up
- I like my work to be difficult – it means I am learning
- I love challenges
- I want people to praise me for the effort I put into my work
- I believe I can get more intelligent by working hard
- I feel clever when I'm learning something new
- I learn from my mistakes

It has been proven that having a Growth Mindset can improve children's progress and attainment. As a result, we are teaching our children that by having a Growth Mindset they can grow their brains and intelligence and achieve anything they want!

This approach links with how we give feedback too: we always give 'prompts for improvement' or 'next steps' so that all learning for all children is seen as a way to grow. If children have fixed mindsets they find it hard to cope with failure: we teach our children to see mistakes and failure as positive. This makes for a very energetic and inclusive culture. It also has a really positive effect on our ethos and on how children approach learning and support each other. Children strive to improve their personal best rather than seeing coming top as the goal.

### How you can help at home?

- Praise the amount of effort your child is putting into things rather than how clever they are;
- Talk to your children about their brain being like a muscle - the more they use it, the stronger it gets;
- Encourage your children to not give up if they are finding something difficult;
- Challenge your children to try something new or challenging.



## Parents' Evenings

Thank you for providing us with up-to-date email addresses to be used in conjunction with our online Parents' Evening booking system. The system is nearly ready to go live!

For each child you have at the school, you will receive TWO emails on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January** at approximately **8.30pm**:

The first email will have a link to book a parents' evening slot for **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February** between **3.30pm – 6.30pm**, and the second email will have a link to book a slot for **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** between **4.30pm – 7.30pm**, with your child's teacher.

Simply click on the link for the day which you would like to attend and book a time slot (10 minutes each) from the choices given. You will need to book a slot for each child you have at the school, following the links in the DIFFERENT emails. If you have more than one child at the school, please take care that you book the right child with the right teacher! It is not possible to book in siblings from the SAME email link – the link is specifically for a certain teacher:

**Class 1 – Mrs Green**

**Year 1 – Mrs Wilson**

**Year 2 – Mr Powell**

**Year 3 – Mrs Smith**

**Class 4 – Miss Powis**

**Class 5 – Mrs Pritchard**

We would ask that you try to have a small gap between slots if you are booking for siblings, just in case we run slightly late. Once you have booked, you will be sent a confirmation email with the time / date, for your reference. **If you are unable to book a slot or if you do not receive the email links, please contact Mr Debenham immediately.** Mrs Green is also intending to hold a SENCO surgery on both dates – further details will follow.

## Music on the Move

On Tuesday we were entertained by a group of music students from Hereford Sixth Form College, led by Mr Weller, who played a variety of instruments and pieces for us, including the clarinet, guitar, banjo, harmonica and voice. They told us all about how the instruments worked and how they are played. We said "thank you" by singing "Thank You", one of our iSingPop songs.

If your child would like to start playing a musical instrument, please speak to Mr Debenham.

