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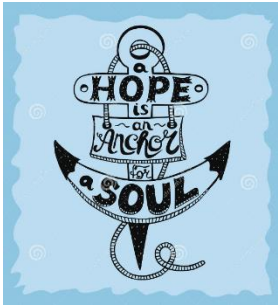
Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School



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'Learn to Love – Love to Learn'



Our Christian value for this half-term is **HOPE**.

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)

Dear Parents,

Before I embark on my adventure to Tanzania on Friday, I thought I would update you on some recent events, and wish you all a peaceful and joyful half term holiday (despite being at school next week!).

Firstly, some events to celebrate:

- On Monday we received a letter from Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP, Secretary of State for Education, congratulating the school on **“the very high standard of achievement demonstrated in the reading Key Stage 2 assessments last year”**. This refers to the school’s performance results showing that 100% of our Y6 children last year achieved or exceeded the expected standard in reading – **“This means that for achievement in reading, your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England.”** This is, of course, a fabulous achievement and is a celebration of how hard the children and teachers work to ensure the best possible outcomes for all our pupils. The full letter can be read below.
- Following on from this, we have also received a congratulatory letter from Bill Wiggin MP for “the fantastic improvement in your KS2 results over the last year.”

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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

Standards and expectations are very high at Kingsland School. However, not just in reading, writing and maths but right across a **broad and balanced curriculum** which we offer to all children. On that note, we must celebrate the achievements of the musicians who took part in the Winter Concert on Tuesday – what a fabulous evening of celebrating the children’s musical talent! ‘Thank you’ to all the children who shared their talent and for the music teachers who work so hard behind the scenes.

As you know, the children have been collecting donations in milk cartons which I shall take over to Tanzania to help support them with essential teaching and learning resources. I am thrilled to say that a staggering **£803** has been raised – ‘THANK YOU’ for all the kind donations. What a difference it will make to the children in Moivaro Primary School.

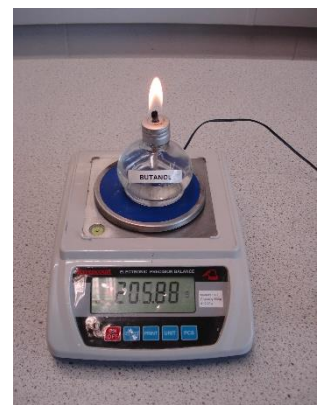
Last week all the children took part in a Safer Internet afternoon, learning about how to stay safe online and reminding them to ask for permission before they enter the online world. They learnt about the dangers of disclosing personal information online and what to do if they have any concerns. Please do talk to your child about online safety and encourage them to reflect on what they learnt.

Also last week, Class 5 children had the opportunity to go to Earl Mortimer College to use their impressive science labs and the resources that we just are unable to use in a primary school setting. Hopefully this will become a more regular feature of the curriculum – thank you to Mr Nelson for organising this exciting learning experience.

Reminder – it is school policy that parents of children who are unable to take part in PE or swimming lessons due to medical reasons must write a letter to the class teacher explaining the reasons why they are unable to participate. Children who do not bring in a letter will be expected to participate fully in the lesson.

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 25th February. Happy half term!

Mr Debenham





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Dear Mr Debenham,

We would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high standard of achievement demonstrated in the reading Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

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We want to equip every child with the fluency in reading necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for producing such high standards through your hard work and professionalism, and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP
Secretary of State for Education

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards