



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 11th January 2019

'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)

As we return to school this week, we wish everyone a Happy New Year. We look forward to another busy term – Young Voices, Winter Concert, Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, World Day of Prayer, Parents' evenings, Spelling Bee, Ventures residential – not to mention all the fantastic teaching and learning that happens every day in each classroom.



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

Maizie and **Jack** for super progress in writing; **Scarlett, Noah** and **Poppy** for super progress in maths; **Ashton, Carina, Mary** and **Charlie** for super progress in reading; **Johnny** for great progress in maths, reading AND science – well done to you all!

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Current attendance levels – from 5th September 2018 to 11th January 2019

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	School total
96.8%	97.1%	97.4%	93.7%	97.9%	96.7%

Dates for your diary

Thursday 17 th January	Y5/6/choir at Young Voices in Birmingham
Tuesday 5 th February	Winter Concert 6pm
18 th – 22 nd February	Half term
Tuesday 26 th February	Parents' evening 3.30 – 6.30pm
Wednesday 27 th February	Parents' evening 4.30 – 7.30pm
Friday 1 st March	World Day of Prayer
Friday 12 th April	Easter Service at Kingsland Church 9.30am

The full 2018-2019 term dates can be found on the school website.

Leominster Priory

Messy Church will be on Thursday January 17th and then on February 14th and April 4th from 4-6pm at Leominster Priory with pancake day races on Tuesday March 5th.

The story this time is about someone who got lost, so we'll have mazes and a treasure hunt as well as lots of crafts. Messy Church is for all ages. Children must bring an adult with them. Donations welcome. More information from Kathy Bland 07780 535571

Polite Request

If parents would like to speak to a teacher before school, please remember that this is a very busy time for teachers, preparing for the day. Once the bell has rung, teachers will be unable to speak with parents due to their classroom responsibilities. If teachers are able to, they could speak with parents before the bell has rung – please ask at the school office to see if they are available.

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Sophie	Daniel	Emily	Callum
Owen	Harley	Beau	Holly
Lottie	Evie	Rosie	Archie
Emily	Hugo	Callum	
Miah	Aimee	Ollie	
Leah	Poppy		
	Scarlett		
	Will		
	Ashton		



Named clothing

Please can we ask that ALL items of clothing are fully named to reduce lost property.

Winter Concert

Children who have instrumental music lessons will have the opportunity to perform in our annual Winter Concert on 5th February at 6pm. Your child's music teacher will talk to them more about this over the next couple of weeks.

A message from the school nurse ...

We have a new school nurse – Kathy Pugh, who will be in school on Tuesday 29th January 9.00 – 11.00am. On that day, parents are able to drop-in and discuss any concerns they may have in relation to their child's general health and in particular their child's emotional health and wellbeing. No booking required.

Tax Free Childcare

We are pleased to inform you that our Breakfast Club and Stay and Play Club are now registered as a government childcare provider.

Tax-Free Childcare is a new UK wide government scheme to help working parents with the cost of childcare. Parents set up a childcare account online and for every £8 a parent pays in, the government will add an extra £2, up to a maximum of £2,000 every year for each child.

Please see the link below for further information.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Zero Waste

A request from Class 5 – we are looking for plastic bottle tops for a 'Zero Waste' inspired art project in Class Five next term. If you have any to donate, please see Mrs Pritchard.

Parents' Evening Booking System

We shall be "going live" with the February Parents' Evening booking system soon. We shall let you know the date, but before then, if you have recently changed your email address, please let the school office know of your new contact details so we can update the system.

Whole School Focus

This term we shall be focussing on the following areas of school life:

- Writing – ensuring sentences are accurately punctuated
- Manners – promoting the use of good manners in the classroom, in the playground and in the dinner hall
- Zero Waste project – children will be learning about plastic waste, climate change etc. and their impact on the natural world

Parents' Show and Tell

Thank you for coming in large numbers to our Parents' Show and Tell afternoon at the end of last term. We hope you found it useful and informative about what your child has been learning in school. It was lovely to see children and parents engaging together and talking about the work in their books.



Tanzania

Mr Debenham has worked closely with Luston and Kimbolton schools to secure funding from the British Council to reignite our global school connections with Moivaro School in Tanzania. Mr Debenham will be visiting Tanzania in February, with a group of Tanzanian teachers visiting Kingsland later in the year. Our whole school "Zero Waste" project is linked to this exchange, considering the impact of plastic waste both in the UK and in Tanzania. Whilst in Tanzania, Mr Debenham will be working with the teachers in Moivaro to deliver the "Zero Waste" project to the Tanzanian children.

Please be aware

There is a large funeral planned at Kingsland Church for 11.00am on Thursday 24th January (likely to be 700 guests). There will also be a marquee on the carpark at The Corners, so please be extra vigilant at picking up time.