



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 13th February 2026

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 **SERVICE and HUMILITY**

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)

This week, children have been learning about online safety as part of **Safer Internet Day** on Tuesday. Interestingly, Dr Ed Wallington (school governor) and Mr Debenham conducted a Pupil Voice discussion with the School Council, where children reported **very high levels of confidence with the school IT systems** providing a safe space for them to access the internet. Noticeably, there was a distinct shift in attitude towards the children’s online activity at home compared with two or three years ago - children themselves reported that they preferred to do other things than go online; both activity and the amount of screen time has decreased significantly; and parents are becoming increasingly savvy with checking their child’s online activity, as well as using passwords, time restrictions and internet filtering systems. **The number of children owning their own smart phone has also seen a very significant decline.**

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

16 th -20 th February	Half term holiday
WB 2 nd March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 6 th March	World Day of Prayer 2pm (Y6 children) Kingsland Methodist Chapel
Monday 9 th March	HPAF Celebration Concert 5.30pm Kingsland Church
WB 9 th March	Science week
Tuesday 17 th March	Non-uniform day in exchange for donations for the PTA Bingo
Saturday 21 st March	PTA Bingo
30 March – 10 April	Easter holidays
Monday 13 th April	First day of the Summer term
Thursday 4 th June	Sports' Day - KS2 at 9.15am; KS1 at 1.15pm

The full 2025 - 2026 term dates can be found on the school website following the link:

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

Big Question

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

What is important in life?



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. This week's winner is **Iris** ... Well done!

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Roman	William	Ava	Camila
Ivor	Charlie	Harrison	Archer
Oliver	Emily	Eadie	Dotty
Sophie	Ben	Rory	Leah
Poppy	Ava	Sarva	Gilbert
Lucy	Oscar	Ruby	Arthur
Arthur		Ottillie	Jorja
Harry		Harry	Arthur
Henry		Daisy	Aidan
			Teddy

Congratulations to Ambrey for winning this half term's house competition!

School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 6!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
97.8%	92.1%	97.4%	97.9%	95.8%	94.2%	98.1%	96.0%

The school encourages all children to attend school for every session of every day the school is open to them. Thank you for your support with this.

Having excellent attendance at school is essential for children to be fulfilling their potential and flourishing with every opportunity on offer.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Children arriving late to school

We are aware that there is an increasing number of children who arrive late to school, after the registers close at 9.05am. As a reminder:

The school opens at 8.45am, when children in Y4/5/6 go straight to classes, and children in YR/1/2/3 spend time on the playground until 8.55am. Registers are taken at 8.55am and close at 9.05am. Children who arrive after 9.05am are marked as a Code U, which is categorised as **UNAUTHORISED** absence for the morning session. If a child arrives between 8.45am and 8.55am, after the school gates have closed, parents must sign them in via the school office, and the register will be marked as code L.

We encourage children to get into good habits in arriving to school on time (8.45am) each day. Thank you for your support with achieving this goal.

The school's Attendance Policy can be found [here](#).



I am pleased to inform you that **Mrs Claire Martin** – parent of a child in Year 2, has been appointed for a 4 year term following the vote for a parent governor.

We would like to thank all the parents who put themselves forward for this very important role and for their willingness to support the school community; their commitment and interest are greatly appreciated

The role of parent governor is explained below, taken from the National Governors Association website.

'All governors regardless of their constituency are elected or appointed with one common purpose – to govern the school in the best interest of pupils. Parent governors are no exception. They are not elected to represent parents, but are elected in order to contribute to the work of the governing body in ensuring high standards of achievement for all children and young people in the school, contributing to strategic discussion, holding senior leaders to account by monitoring school performance and ensuring money is well spent'.

PTA **Cake Sale**
Key Stage 1



24th & 25th March

KS 1, it's your turn!
Please bring cakes into school on
Tuesday 24th March.
Thank you.

PTA 

Childrens Easter Bingo

Saturday 21st March

Kingsland Coronation Hall
Eyes down 6pm

*Fun for all the
family*



Grab your
FREE
ticket here.



PTA 

Kindly Sponsored by






10 GOLDEN TICKETS!!!
Win a £5 or £10 prize!

Chocolate bars sold after school 2nd - 5th March
£2 per bar.

Prizes to be collected from the school office 5th March

SAVE THE DATE!
22TH JUNE
2026



**KINGSLAND
CORONATION HALL
FIELD**



Non-Uniform Day

in exchange for

Easter Bingo donations

Tuesday 17th March

In exchange for wearing no uniform to school, please would families be able to donate a chocolatey prize! Small easter eggs, cream eggs, chocolate bar, anything chocolate for easter!



Grab your
FREE
ticket here.



School Meals Ordering for after half term

To order school meals for the Spring Term 2nd half starting **Monday 23rd February 2026**, please place your order by **12 noon Friday 20th February 2026**.

If the deadline of **12 noon Friday 20th February 2026** is missed, a packed lunch will be required.

Prayer for Service and Humility by Henry and Lucy

Dear God, Please help us to be humble. Help us to serve others in need and treat them how we wish to be treated. Guide us with service and humility and to always let our lights shine. May we always show respect and generosity to others who are less fortunate than ourselves. Amen.

Trainers

We like to encourage high standards of presentation. We are also aware of an increasing number of children arriving to school wearing trainers (not on PE kit days). We ask that children wear **black school shoes** to school each day please, in line with the school's uniform policy. Please note, **black trainers are not part of school uniform**. Thank you in advance for your support with this. We are aware of certain individual children who require specialist footwear - this is, of course, absolutely fine and has been pre-approved by the school.

Y4/5/6 Prayer Bead Project

Our Y4/5/6 children will be taking part in the Herefordshire Prayer Beads project, focussing on people from all faiths and backgrounds, giving them opportunities to pause and reflect and express empathy with people who have been affected by war. The prayer beads will be displayed in Hereford Cathedral during July. Children will write their own reflections on pieces of paper which they will then fold into origami beads. This project will take place on Wednesday 25th February in school.

Dropping off – safeguarding

We have noticed children a small number of being dropped off prior to the school gates being opened. Please note that children remain parents' responsibility up to the point when they come through the green school gates, when they become the school's responsibility. We strongly encourage parents not to drop children off and leave them, waiting outside the school gates, for safeguarding reasons.

Parents' Evenings

THANK YOU for attending our Parents' Evenings this week. We hope you found it informative. Today, the annual Parent Questionnaire has been sent out via email. Please do send us in your views by 6th March by clicking on the link with the email to complete the online form.

A huge THANK YOU as well to the teachers – Parents' Evening weeks are always particularly busy.

We wish everyone a relaxing half term holiday.

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

Ruby for always showing a super attitude to her learning; **Poppy, Archie** and **Phoebe** for super writing about The Great Kapok Tree – well done!

Y5 Cluster Beats and Voices Workshop

On Wednesday, our Y5 children took part in a fabulous musical workshop, organised by Encore Enterprises, alongside other local schools. They performed The Circle of Life from The Lion King, as well as participated in other group song performances. The school is a **Lead Music School** for Herefordshire and actively pursues numerous high-quality musical experiences for our children.



Class 3 Clay Space Aliens in Art and Design



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics




 SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

3 LITTLE PIGTAILS

By Garlic Theatre



Friday 20th February, 3pm
Leintwardine Community Centre, SY7 0LB
Tickets: £5 Adults, £5 Child
07415 093552
www.artsalive.co.uk

Touring with...
**arts
alive**

FREE tickets












The school has been given a number of FREE tickets to this performance of 3 Little Pigtails. The performance is suitable for children aged 3-7. If you have a child in YR/1/2/3 and would like FREE tickets, please ask at the school office.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

Why are there age restrictions on social media platforms?

Many social media platforms have an age restriction of 13 years or over. This is because you have to be at least 13 years old to give consent for your personal data to be collected and processed.

What is the minimum age for UK account holders on these social media platforms?

13	16
 Facebook	Vimeo 
 Instagram	Tumblr 
 Snapchat	
 TikTok	
 X (formerly Twitter)	
 Pinterest	
 Twitch	
 Reddit	
 Messenger	
 Discord	
 Skype	
 YouTube	
 WhatsApp	



The above age restrictions are based on the age required by the individual platform. This may differ from the age ratings suggested on app stores such as Google Play or App Store.

Social Media Disclaimer: This resource/information is not intended to encourage social media use and we cannot accept any responsibility for pupils that sign up to social media sites after using this resource/information. This resource refers to UK age ratings and other countries may differ. Please note that age restrictions for social media platforms may vary depending on the laws and regulations in your location.

Age Restrictions for Video Games

3

PEGI 3

Games with a PEGI 3 rating are suitable for all ages.

They may have:

child-like settings

comical violence

language more suitable for young children

For example:

Just Dance

FIFA

DiRT Rally

Animal Crossing

For further information regarding the video game age restrictions mentioned in this resource, please see the official [PEGI](#) website.

7

PEGI 7

Games with a PEGI 7 rating are suitable for ages 7 and above.

They may have:

some scenes or sounds that could be frightening

mild forms of violence (non-realistic or with no detail)

For example:

Minecraft

Roblox

Among Us

Lego Series



Age Restrictions for Video Games

12

PEGI 12

Games with a PEGI 12 rating are suitable for ages 12 and above.

They may have:

violence of a slightly graphic nature involving fantasy characters

suggestive activities or language

gambling

mild bad language

For example:

Sims

Fortnite

Dragon Ball FighterZ

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

For further information regarding the video game age restrictions mentioned in this resource, please see the official [PEGI](#) website.

16

PEGI 16

Games with a PEGI 16 rating are suitable for ages 16 and above.

They may have:

violence and adult content that looks like real life

bad language

scenes demonstrating the use of tobacco, alcohol or illegal substances

For example:

Marvel's Avengers

Battlefield 2042

Halo Infinite

Marvel's Spider-Man



Age Restrictions for Video Games

18

PEGI 18

Games with a PEGI 18 rating are suitable for ages 18 and above.

They may have:

extreme violence

explicit adult content

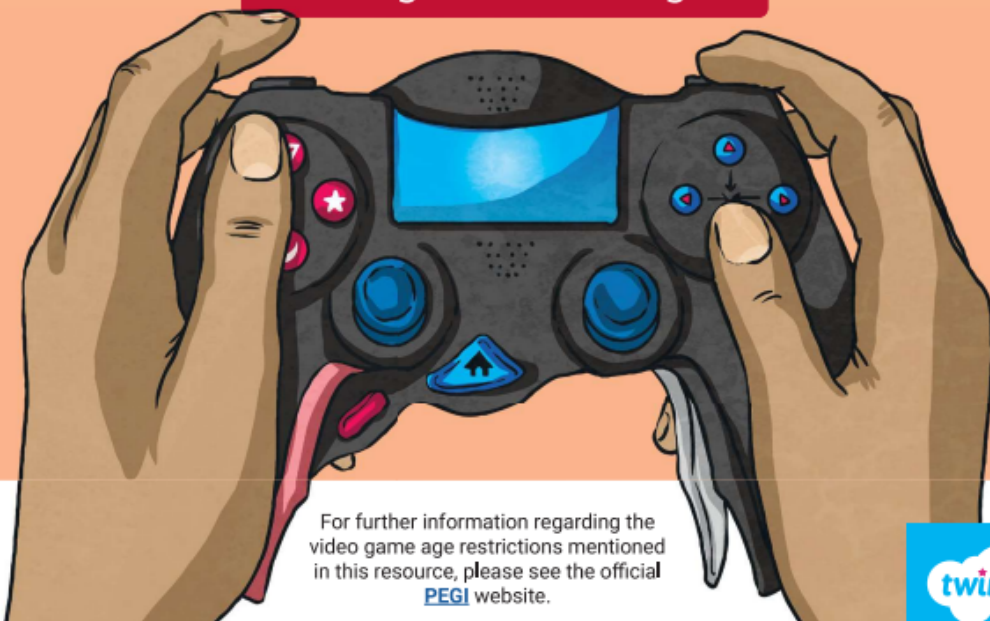
the glamorised use of illegal substances

For example:

Call of Duty: Warzone

Grand Theft Auto V

Far Cry 3 Blood Dragon



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Lent 1 - Temptation - Spr 7



Spiritual Thinking

What helps you to not give into temptation?
What words/stories from the Bible encourage you?
Which is more powerful -
the words you say or the actions you show?

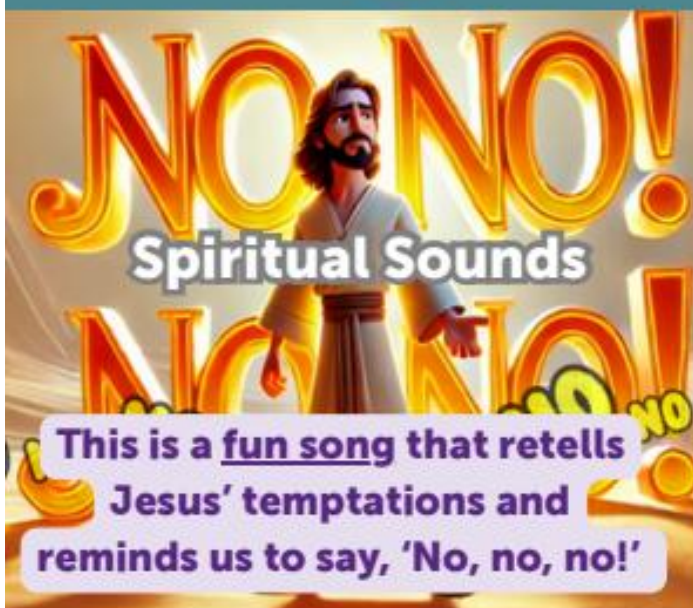


Shields

When tempted Jesus used words of scripture as a shield. I wonder what words might form your shield. What will help you resist temptation?

Write them on a shield.

Find out what other people find helps them and then help them when they are struggling in the future by using their shield words.

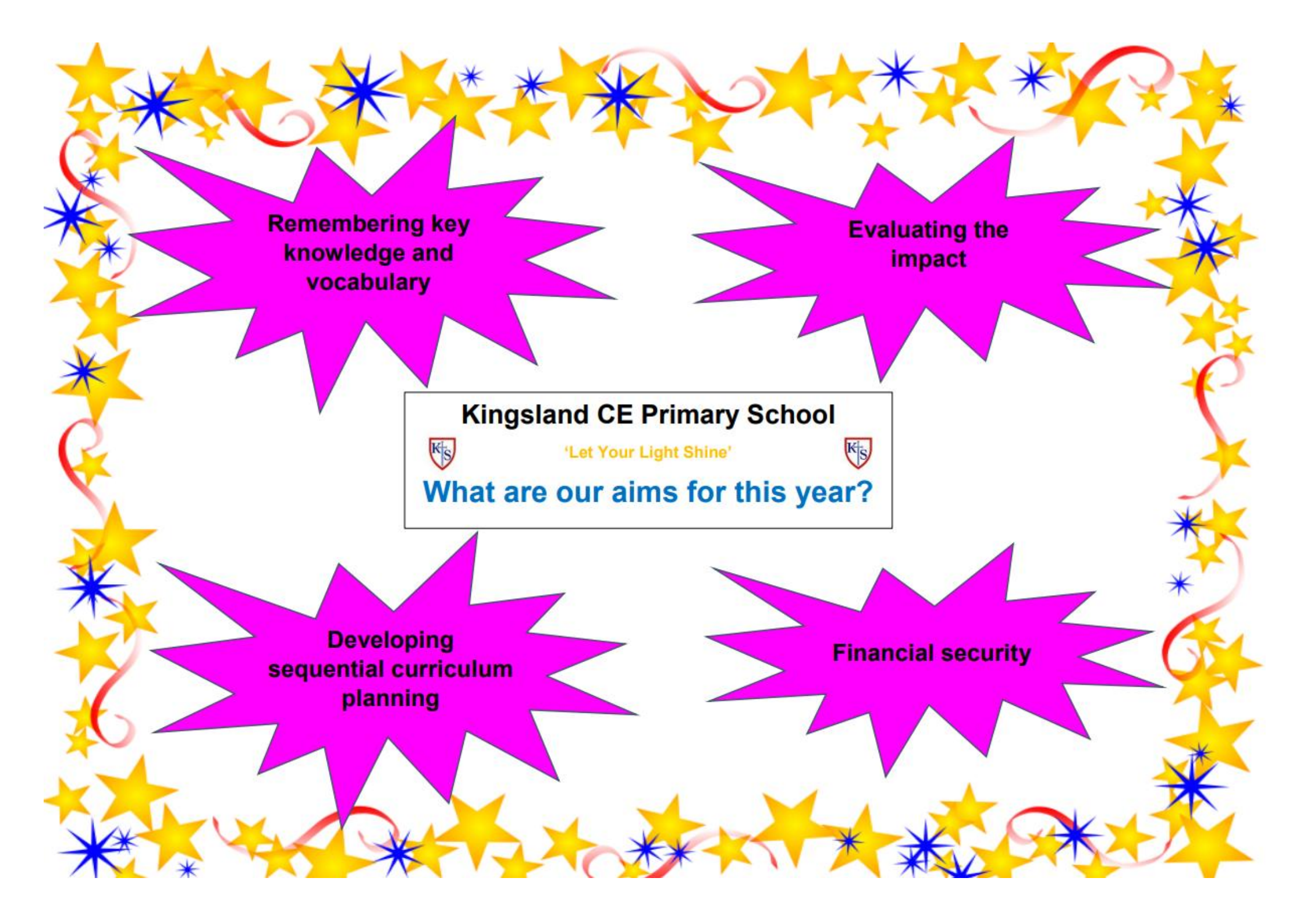


Stones into bread

Satan tempted Jesus to turn stones in to bread. Instead he answered back using words from scripture.



You could paint words of encouragement onto rocks and leave them around the local area for people to find and help them in tough times.



**Remembering key
knowledge and
vocabulary**

**Evaluating the
impact**

Kingsland CE Primary School



'Let Your Light Shine'



What are our aims for this year?

**Developing
sequential curriculum
planning**

Financial security



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(Matthew 5:16)

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: **SERVICE** and **HUMILITY**



This half term's Christian value is:

SERVICE and HUMILITY



A prayer for Service and Humility

Father God,

Help us to use our gifts to serve others. Let our lights shine before others so we can set them the example of how to serve others with compassion, courage and humility. Amen.

A reflection on SERVICE and HUMILITY by Shelley Connop, Foundation Governor, Eardisland Church

“Thank you” I said as the door was held open for me, and although this took little effort, I was grateful as my arms were full with shopping. I have taught my children to be kind and humble and remind them their actions may be small but could make someone’s burden lighter. The Bible shows us the importance of a servant’s heart, teaching us to prioritise others’ needs over our own desires. By applying this, we not only grow closer to God but also foster a community rooted in love and compassion.

Living in Eardisland which has a thriving community, I volunteer and help where and when I can, including the community shop which is run and staffed by volunteers. There is also the village hall committee who have just received over £100,000 in grants for upgrading facilities. They do not look for recognition but give freely of their time to benefit the wider community.

Humility is a grateful and spontaneous awareness that life is a gift and also a realistic view of your own abilities and true service is not about recognition. It’s about responsibility. It’s about seeing a need and responding, even when no one is watching; understanding that your talents, time and opportunities are not for personal gain, but for the good of others. To listen more than we speak, we learn more than we assume, and we will then lead by example. Let us remember the example of Jesus who humbly served others and showed true meaning of greatness through servanthood.

Some of the most impactful people in our lives are not the loudest or the most celebrated. They are the ones who show up consistently, the ones who help without being asked, the ones who lift others without expecting anything in return. Their strength is in their purpose. Think of the school’s incredible PTA who raise money for the extra things around school and the discos they hold. Think of the mums, dads, grandparents and the wider community who come in to read with you every week in school. Think of Kingsland Fire Brigade ...

In today’s world that encourages self-promotion, choosing humility is a **courageous** act and a powerful one. Do you think you can choose commitment over convenience?

Maybe a simple way of showing this would be to make a Humility / Service jar and place slips of paper in with simple humility challenges such as: “Let someone else choose the game” or “Help to clear up without being asked.”