



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 17th April 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 **RESILIENCE**

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)

Welcome to the summer term! As ever, there are LOTS of events to look forward to this term – iSingPop project and concerts, Y3/4 visit to Oaker Wood, Sports’ Day, Y6 leavers’ events, to name just a few. We also start to think about the next academic year – welcoming our new YR children and families, class swap morning, and supporting our Y6 children with transitioning to secondary schools.

The summer term also sees a number of national assessments take place, with KS2 national tests for Y6 children, the Y4 Multiplication Check and the Y1 Phonics Screening Check.



PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

WB 11 th May	KS2 national assessment week
Monday 13 th April	First day of the Summer term
Monday 1 st June	Staff INSET day – school is closed for pupils
Thursday 4 th June	Sports' Day - KS2 at 9.15am; KS1 at 1.15pm
Tuesday 16 th June	iSingPop Concerts for all children
Tuesday 23 rd June	Togetherness workshop for Y5/6 parents 5.30 – 7.30pm
Thursday 25 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service in Hereford Cathedral
25 th / 26 th June	Y3/4 to Oaker Wood
Thursday 2 nd July	Secondary school transition day and class swap morning
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Leavers' Celebration Evening 5.30pm

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 the most beautiful thing in the world?



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

William, Dotty, Ava and Archer for super writing in RWI – well done!

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Lucy Darcey Freddie	Finley	Ottillie Daisy Sarva	Arthur Minnie Mac Arthur



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 **Ava** ... Well done!

School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 4!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
94.6%	91.3%	99.5%	94.7%	100%	95.4%	96.2%	95.9%

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.**

Donations needed

please!



Breakfast Club and Stay and Play Club are looking for donations of board games, puzzles, a wooden car garage and Barbies with accessories that you may no longer use. Any donations for the children to enjoy whilst attending the clubs would be hugely appreciated.

THANK YOU!

Togetherness Workshop

We are delighted to have been able to arrange another Togetherness workshop – this time for Y5 and Y6 parents, considering the onset of the teenage brain and the transition to secondary school. Please do put the date in your diary:



Supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of your teenager during transition to High School *A workshop for parents and carers*

No matter your family setup, the important relationships in your child's life help shape their emotional health and wellbeing at every age. This transformative workshop offers a reflective space to think about your child's development, the changes in their brain and what behaviour to expect once they start High School.

We will explore the following topics:

- Brain development and the importance of relationships and interactions.
- What changes are taking place in a teenager's brain.
- Why teenagers are sensitive to peer pressure and rejection.
- Why teenagers are often reactive and respond emotionally.
- Why teenagers like to sleep so much (!)
- Screen time, social media and gaming.
- How you can support your teenager through these changes.

This workshop will take place in **Kingsland CE Primary School** on **Tuesday 23rd June 2026, 5.30 – 7.30pm.**

Prayer of thanks by Harriet:

Dear Lord,

Thank you for animals, seas, land and humans that you created.
Thank you that we can go to school and learn things like poetry,
maths and English. Thank you that you sacrificed yourself to save
our sins.

Amen



Governor news: this week, governors are involved in the recruitment process for the KS2 teacher post which is currently being advertised.

Blues songs often told a story. They talked about the challenges and difficulties that African-Americans faced. Many parts of the blues, like the call-and-response style and blue notes, came from music of Africa.



Use the QR code to listen to Runaway Blues by Ma Rainey.

Musician

The Blues

Making Connections...



Use this QR code to listen to Heartbreak Hotel by Elvis Presley, which uses the 12 bar blues chord progression.



Use the QR code to listen to BB King, one of the most famous blues guitarists.



Blues is a type of music and musical form that started with African-Americans in the Deep South of the United States around the 1860s. Blues music grew from different sounds like spirituals (religious songs), work songs (songs sung while working), and rhymed ballads (story songs) from African-American culture.

Blues music is very important in jazz, rhythm and blues, and rock and roll. It often uses a "call-and-response" pattern, where one musical phrase is answered by another. It also uses a special blues scale and certain chord progressions, like the twelve-bar blues.

of the Month



Use the QR code to listen to The Blues Brothers.

Blue notes are also a key part of the blues sound. These notes are played a little flatter than usual. Blues "shuffles" or "walking bass" lines create a steady, repeating rhythm called a "groove."



Spiritual Thinking



How might our hearts need cleaning?
Do you think God will always forgive people?
Can you be too young to be in charge?

Washing up prayers

Next time you wash up at home or in school, think about what things you might need to clean your heart from as well. You might like to say a prayer to ask God for forgiveness for your wrong choices that day.



Spiritual Sounds

Purify my heart is a worship song that focuses on cleansing our hearts. Listen to this version by the writer, Brian Doerksen

Changed hearts

Cut out some heart shapes from paper.
Think about something in your heart that you want to change. Write it on the back.
Then on the opposite side write down what you want your heart to be filled with instead.
Put them up showing the clean sides to help focus your prayers.

MAY HALF TERM INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Get **50% OFF** your booking — only £17.50 total for 4 lessons!

Limited spots – don't miss out!
Call us on **01432 842075**, or pop in to your local pool to secure your child's place.

*Terms & conditions apply. Offer ends 17th May 2026.



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HEREFORD LEISURE CENTRE

Gymnastics Lessons



Developing coordination in a safe, supportive space



Learning, laughing, and growing alongside their new friends

Get in touch or visit the team at reception to get your child started!

SUITABLE FOR AGE 3+



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Leominster Priory Holiday Club



One Incredible Book

20th-24th July
9.30am until 3pm

This summer holiday join us for a week of fun in the Priory Church

Games
Crafts
Stories
Animals
Friendship

Drinks and fruit provided during the day
plus an event t-shirt.

Contact Anna
07766 004673 or email annaquelch1@gmail.com



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

No

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

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



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Advice and guidance

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



Youth Football
at
Shobdon FC



Shobdon Mini Dons is back!!!

For children in Year 1 & 2—mini dons is a great introduction to football where they can have fun, meet new friends and play football



Free first session (£3 per week thereafter)

Sat 9th May 2026 9am to 10am

Running until mid July (subject to participation)

If you have a child who might be interested please contact Bill Stokes (07813 145575 / bill@billstokes.co.uk) to book a place.



**The perfect way
for girls aged 5-11
to get involved
with football**

**Have
Fun!**



KS2 class teacher advert

We are currently advertising for a class teacher for Class 5 for the next academic year, starting in September. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please do ask them to contact the school.

Kingsland CE Primary School

KS2 Class Teacher

Salary: M1 – M3 (ECTs are welcome to apply)

Hours: Full time, permanent

Location: Kingsland CE Primary School, Kingsland, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9QN

Commencing: 1st September 2026

Closing date: Thursday 23rd April 2026 12.00pm

Interview date: Thursday 30th April 2026



Are you looking for a unique opportunity to 'let your light shine?'

Kingsland CE Primary School is a popular, innovative, high performing, rural school set in an idyllic Herefordshire village, 3 miles west of Leominster. The school provides children with firm foundations based on a strong Christian ethos which permeates everything that we do, aiming for both children and adults to 'let their lights shine'. Kingsland CE Primary School strives to offer all its pupils every opportunity to live life in all its fullness; it has a consistently high academic record with additional strengths in sport and the arts – we are proud to hold the School Games Platinum sports' award and the International School Award, as well as being a Lead Music School.

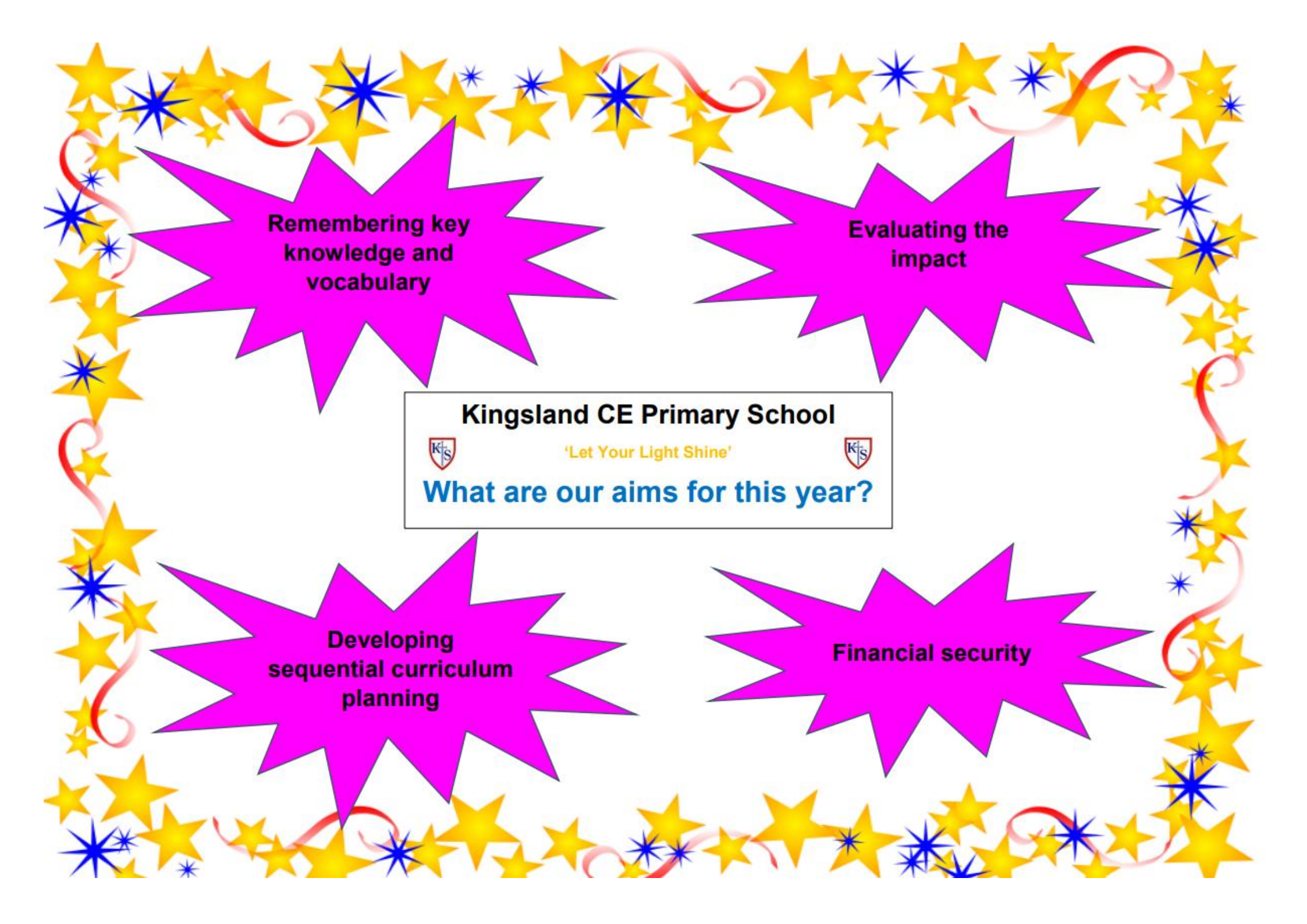
The governors and headteacher require an inspirational and highly motivated classroom teacher to join our committed team, for a mixed aged KS2 class. The successful candidate will have excellent subject knowledge, a passion for teaching and learning, high expectations for all children, will support the Christian ethos of the school, and will be willing to go the extra mile.

We can offer excellent CPD opportunities, supportive mentorship, and are eager to encourage all teachers to develop as effective school practitioners and leaders.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure Barring Service confirmation.

Visits to our fantastic school are welcomed.

For further information, to arrange a visit or to request an application pack, please telephone 01568 708436 or email Sue Lewis at slewis@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk



**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)



Giving children strong roots to stand tall.

This half term's Christian value is:

RESILIENCE

Educating for Community and
Living Well Together



A prayer for RESILIENCE

Dear God, Grant me resilience that is rooted in truth, wisdom, and the strength that comes from You. When adversity comes, help me to adapt, to overcome, and to trust that You are guiding me with resilience even through the shadows. 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: **RESILIENCE**

A reflection on RESILIENCE by Mrs Helen Webb, Chair of Governors:

When I was seven years old my mum gave me an illustrated story book called 'The Pilgrims Progress', by John Bunyan. It was a children's version of a famous story. It had exciting pictures of a man fighting dragons, climbing mountains, struggling across a marsh, and trying to find his way out of a maze.

The story begins with a man called Christian whose hometown is going to be destroyed, so he packs a rucksack and sets out on a quest to the Celestial city. During his journey, he finds himself sinking in a bog, fighting demons, and lost in a labyrinth. He comes to a place called Vanity Fair where everything is exciting and full of fun; he is tempted to stay there and not continue with his quest. Sometimes his rucksack is very heavy, and sometimes it is light and he hardly notices it. Sometimes he wants to give up but he keeps on going despite all the hardships he encounters.

I am not going to give you too many spoilers and tell you the ending, but it is a story for everyone, adults and children. It is allegorical, it has hidden meanings - it is clever ... it is about all the things we try to do as Christians, but also about problems that we face too, about struggles and fears but also about friendship, help and kindness. It is also about resilience; Christian's resilience to finish his quest.

Resilience is not just about bouncing back from challenges or turning the other cheek if someone is hurtful or unkind. It is not about pretending that everything is fine and ignoring problems. Resilience is about the ability to adapt positively in the face of adversity, overcoming trials, and setbacks, trusting in God, having hope, faith and wisdom, and staying strong in difficult times. Some people consider it as bouncing FORWARDS rather than bouncing BACK, so that something positive can be found even through challenging times.