



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 27th 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 **GRATITUDE**

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)

Next week, we look forward to the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, where nearly 70 children will be performing poems to a highly-qualified adjudicator – this represents nearly 50% of the school! **All those children taking part in the HPAF are invited to perform in the school's HPAF Celebration Concert on Monday 9th March at 5.30pm in Kingsland Church.** This is an opportunity for all HPAF participants to perform their poems again, in front of a friendly and supportive audience. Friends and family are all welcome to be audience members - no tickets required. A collection will be taken to cover the costs of the HPAF entries (£6.50 per child). **The choir will also be performing at this event**, so please do save the date. Both children and coaches have been working so hard in preparing for the HPAF.

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

WB 2 nd March	Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – see further information below
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 season do you feel most reflects your personality?



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 **Poppy** ... Well done!

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Madeline Olivia Mary Freddie Kit Sophie Ffion	Bella Henry Holly Dinky Effie James	Ava	Hector William Myla Mac Iris Nellie

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

Henry for super writing about his News using the sounds he has learnt; **Eadie** for super effort and progress with spellings; **William** and **Harrison** for super writing in RWI; **Lexi** for great effort and motivation this week – well done!

School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done YR and Y3!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
100%	99.2%	94.7%	100%	97.5%	97.3%	98.6%	98.2%

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](#).



Governor news: Did you know that as well as the Full Governing Body meetings, there are also three sub-committees which meet at least termly ...? The **Learn to Love Committee** address all aspects of the school Christian ethos; the **Love to Learn Committee** monitor the school curriculum and academic standards; and the **Resources Committee** are responsible for safeguarding, health and safety, school buildings and finances.

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 **WORLD BOOK DAY**
Kindly Sponsored by **curtis** engineering solutions and **barrington print**



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

PTA 

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.

This year's chance to win!

General Knowledge? **THE KINGSLAND QUIZ** POP MUSIC? Classical Music? Books? Films? TV?

History? **QUIZ** Books? Films? TV?

GEOGRAPHY?

Can you beat the quizmasters? On **Saturday 28th February 2026, 7.30pm**
Coronation Hall, Kingsland
 Teams of up to six
 (teams can be made up on the night)

Tickets £5 per person

Please buy tickets in advance from: Kingsland Post Office or Kingsland Church Office
 (email lucinda@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk)

EASTER HOLIDAY INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS



Get **50% OFF** your booking — only £15.75 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 22nd March 2026.

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Join Teme Valley YFC for an

EASTER QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 27th March
 Arrive - 7:00pm Start - 7:30pm
 Aymestrey Parish Hall, HR6 9SU

Teams of four £10 per person
 Includes food - let us know if there are any dietary requirements
 Bring your own drinks

To book a team in please contact: James farmer 07547 106136



Teme Valley YFC Charity number: 513394

Y6 Children to the World Day of Prayer

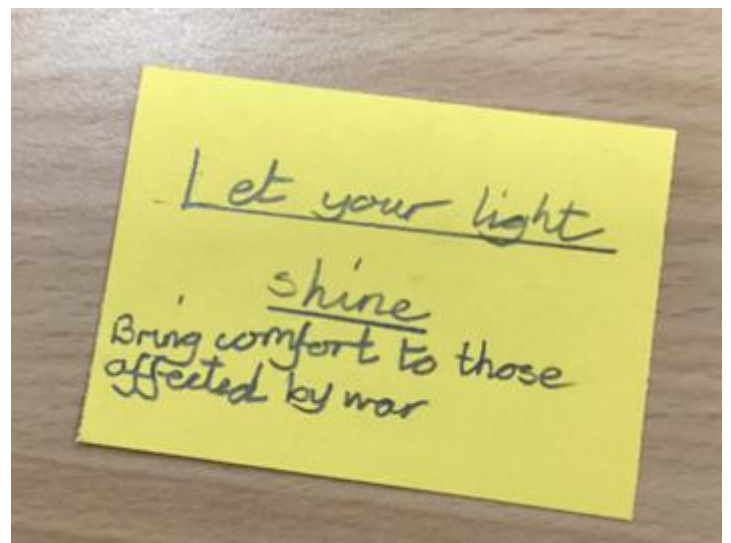
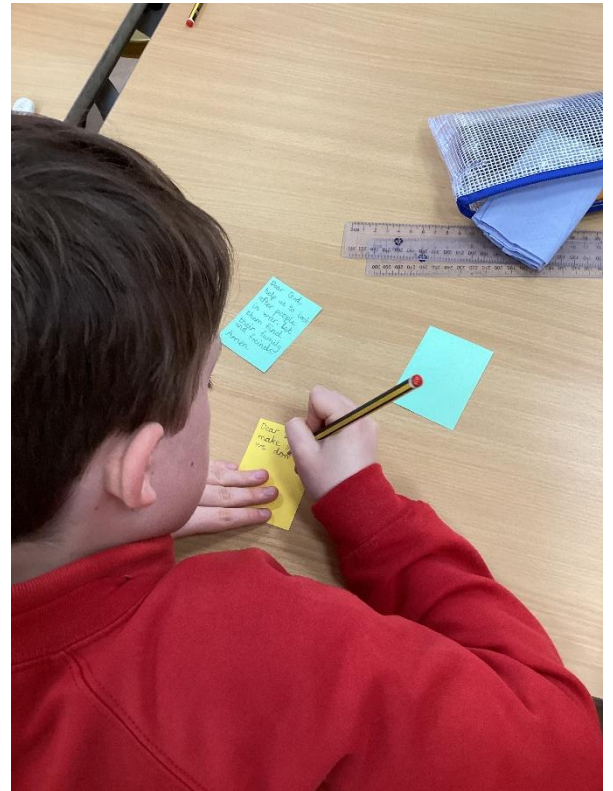
On the afternoon of Friday 6th March, all the Y6 children will walk to Kingsland Methodist Church with Mr Debenham to take part in the World Day of Prayer service, led by Helen Webb, Chair of Governors. This has long been a tradition of the school, and is a great vehicle for allowing children to open their eyes to current world issues and different cultures. As this event is being held within the village and during school time, specific parental consent is not required.

Y4/5/6 Prayer Bead Project

Our Y4/5/6 children took 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 wrote their own reflections on pieces of paper which they folded into origami beads.

Afterwards, Ellis wrote a special prayer, reflecting on what he learned:

Dear God, Thank you for the visitors that came in today,
to help all the people going through troubling times.
Amen.





UK Health
Security
Agency



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/minftec>.

No

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

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

World Book Day 2026

We are celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5th March 2026**.

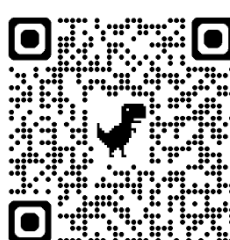
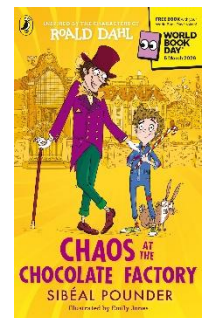
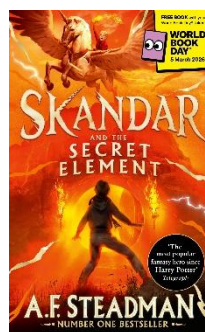
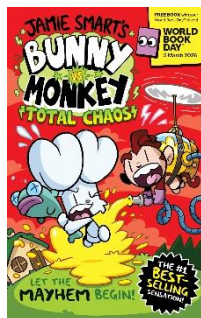
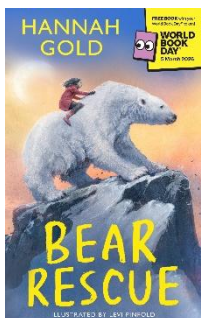
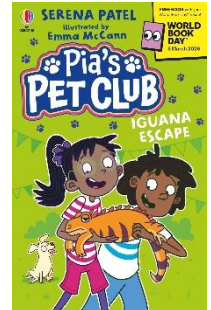
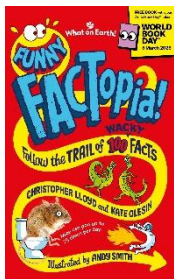
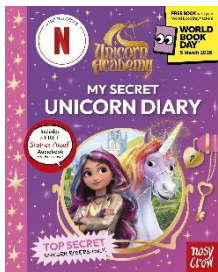
Children are invited to wear their pyjamas to school that day or dress up as their favourite book character.

World Book Day celebrates the joy that can be brought by books and promotes a love of reading, especially for children.

Every child will take home a £1 World Book Day Token that can either be exchanged for one of ten special £1 World Book Day books or used to get £1 off any book costing £2.99 or more.

Below are pictures of seven books for World Book Day 2025 and the QR codes below each title can be scanned using a mobile device to find out more about the book. The QR code will take you to the World Book Day website page for that particular book.

Please support your child with their choice of book using their £1 book token. Thank you for supporting your child with their reading.



Lent 2 - So many questions - Spr 8



Spiritual Thinking

What question would you ask God or Jesus?
What do you think Nicodemus did after Jesus' resurrection?
If you were Nicodemus what would you do different?

Big Board of Questions

Make some time to write down questions to God or Jesus on slips of paper. Collect them in and add them to a Big Board of Questions.



Who has similar questions?
Which questions are easy to answer?
Which are too big to answer?
Maybe you could think what the answer may be to some of the questions.
(Ask your Foundation Governors to take a look)

Spiritual Sounds

This is a worship song by Matt Redman that explores the theme of doubts and questions. It may help to lay this whilst writing down their questions to God back in class.

Questions

How could you illustrate this famous Bible verse to show what it means to you?



For God loved the world so much that he sent his only Son. So that whoever believes in him may not perish but receive eternal life.

John 3:16



A NEW HUB FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE WIDER COMMUNITY TO THRIVE

Young people in Leominster and surrounding villages deserve a safe, welcoming place to meet, grow and thrive. For too long, many have had limited opportunities locally - but that's about to change.

INTRODUCING 'The Lemner'

Opening in April in West St, Leominster.

MEET • ENJOY • REST • BE

The Lemner

A vibrant hub, shaped by young people. A safe and welcoming space to meet up. A place to enjoy activities, spend time together and share food and drink. Support specialists always on hand. And most of all, it will be fun!

The Lemner building will also have discrete space to meet the needs of adults in temporary housing, unemployed or with wellbeing problems.

The Charity

Formed by local people with first hand youth and community experience, the Leominster Community Development Charity plans to address the shortage of services and facilities in Leominster and surrounding communities which impacts heavily on young people's choices and aspirations.

Your Support

Together we can create something lasting and positive for the next generation.

If you're able to donate, please help; even a few pounds will help us get started and together we can make a big difference.

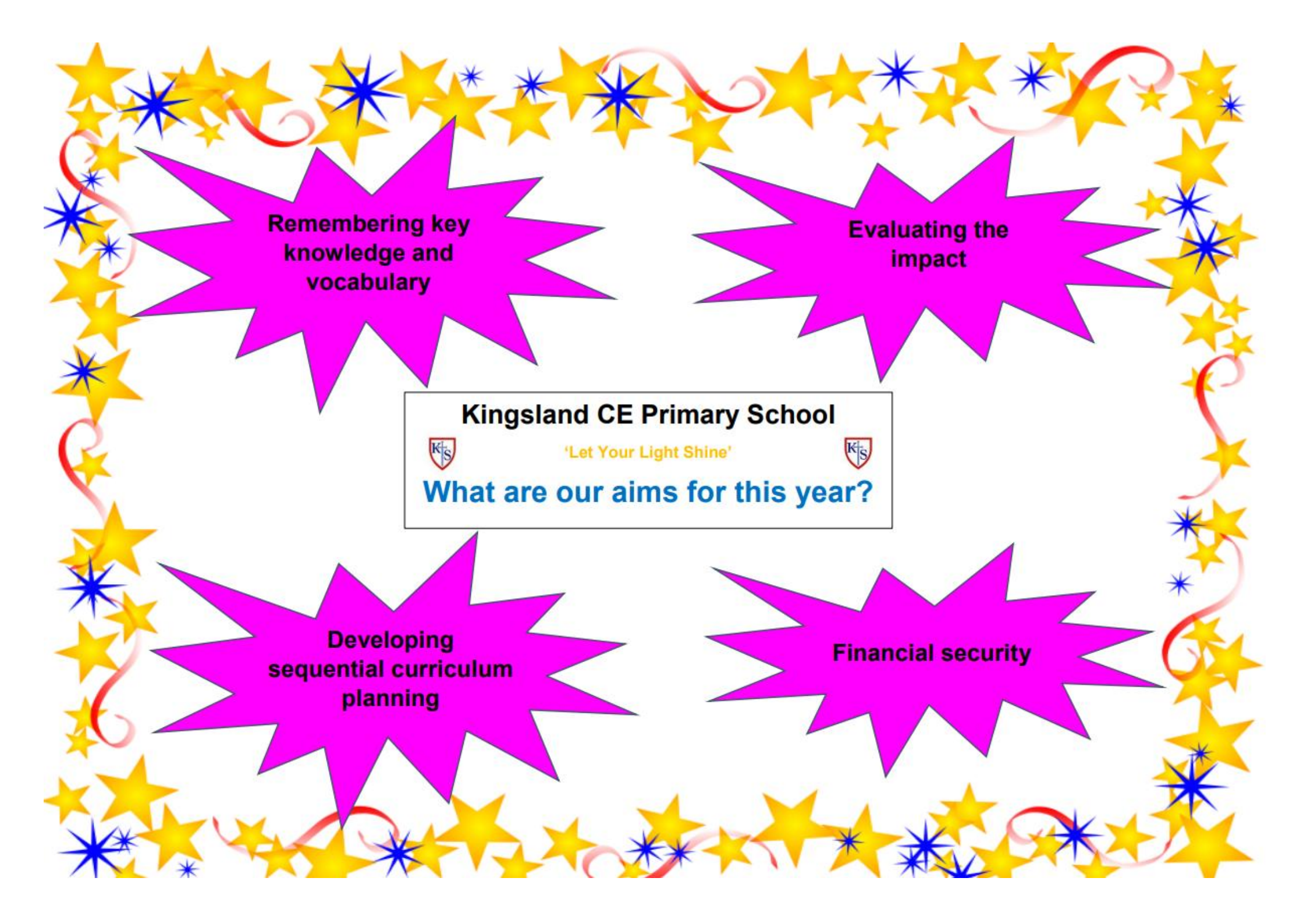
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**Remembering key
knowledge and
vocabulary**

**Evaluating the
impact**

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'Let Your Light Shine'



What are our aims for this year?

**Developing
sequential curriculum
planning**

Financial security



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**“Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”
(Matthew 5:16)**



This half term's Christian value is:

GRATITUDE

Educating for Community and
Living Well Together



A prayer for GRATITUDE

Thank you, God, for ... your kindness and compassion; ... the strength you give us even in the toughest of times; ... your unconditional love. Forgive us when we are ungrateful and when we don't think of others. 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: **GRATITUDE**

A reflection on GRATITUDE by Mr Debenham, Headteacher:

One, two, three ... four, five, six ... seven, eight, nine ... and ten. There were ten lepers on the road one day, and no-one would go near them. Their faces were scarred and they had sores all over their bodies. They were incredibly poorly. One, two, three ... four, five, six ... seven, eight, nine ... and ten. There were ten lepers on the road one day, and Jesus came walking by. "Jesus, Master, have pity on us" they cried. One, two, three ... four, five, six ... seven, eight, nine ... and ten. There were ten lepers on the road one day, and Jesus prayed for them and then said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priest." One, two, three ... four, five, six ... seven, eight, nine ... and ten. As the lepers went on their way to see the priest, they looked at their skin and their sores were gone! Jesus had healed their disease!

One, two, three ... four, five, six ... seven, eight ... and NINE. Nine lepers (who were no longer lepers!) were so happy that they ran up and down the streets singing and dancing, sharing their good news with everyone. But the tenth leper went straight back to Jesus, threw himself at his feet and said, "Thank you, thank you, thank you." Jesus said to him, "I healed ten lepers on the road today. Where are the other nine?"

But Jesus was pleased that the tenth leper had come back to say 'thank you'.

So, what does this Bible story, from Luke Chapter 17, teach us about GRATITUDE? If you were one of the ten lepers, would you be like the tenth one who came back to say 'thank you', or would you be like the other nine who forgot amidst all the celebrations? In the busyness of life, with all the things we have to do and all the distractions along the way, it is easy to forget to say 'thank you'. So, how can we make it a priority so that we don't forget?

And is saying 'thank you' always enough? How could we SHOW our gratitude by our actions and choices?

I wonder if you remember to say 'thank you' to your family, friends and staff in school ...? Just two simple words can make a huge difference. And, of course, there are many connections that can be made between GRATITUDE and a number of the other Christian values that we investigate in school – compassion, kindness, humility, service, love, thankfulness.

When will you say your next 'thank you'?