



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 1st May 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)

As the temperatures rise and we head into the summer, please could all children bring in a sun hat each day, along with a water bottle. One-application sun cream should be applied at home prior to coming to school. School staff are unable to apply suncream to children in school.

After a very rigorous recruitment process on Thursday this week, we are delighted that Mrs Crystal Harris will be joining the Kingsland team in September as Class 5 teacher, subject to all the relevant pre-employment checks.



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 true happiness?



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

Phoebe, Willow, Alfie, Hannah and Otilie for fabulous progress with their times tables – well done!

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
Ivor	Lucie	Matilda	Gilbert
Olivia	Sophia	Yarna	Myla
Lucy	James	Ed	Hattie
Henry	The Class 1 team	Sarva	Alfie
Poppy		Robyn	Hadley
Martha		Devon	Leah
James		The Class 1 team	Arlo
Cora			Elsie
Oliver			Nellie
Ruby			The Class 1 team
Ava			
Freddie			
The Class 1 team			

YR class teacher advert

It is with great sadness that Miss Corrick has decided to move on to pastures new at the end of this academic year. We are, therefore, advertising for a YR class teacher for Class 1 to start in September.

If you know of anyone who may be interested, please do ask them to contact the school.

Kingsland CE Primary School

EYFS Class Teacher: Permanent / Variable

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

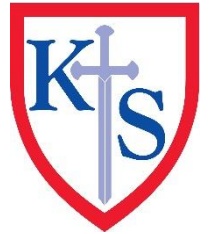
Hours: Full-time

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

Commencing: 1st September 2026

Closing date: Thursday 14th May 2026 12pm

Interview date: Thursday 21st May 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 EYFS classroom teacher to join our committed team, and teach our Reception children. 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

School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 3!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
97.8%	97.5%	97.4%	100%	93.3%	97.6%	98.1%	97.3%

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.**

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 for resilience by Henry and Lucy

Dear God,

Thank you for resilience and the courage to never give up. Help us to always see hope and perseverance as a bright side in times when you can't see a way forward or think you should just give up. Guide us with encouragement and motivation, and help us to help and encourage others as well.

Amen

Lunchtime prayer written by Scarlett

Dear God,

Thank you for nature and the trees and for our food. Help us to love everyone, even our enemies.

Amen



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 **Clara** ... Well done!



Governor news: this week, governors have been fully involved in the KS2 teacher interview process held on Thursday. More information to follow shortly.

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!

Byrd wrote many different kinds of music. This included sacred (religious) and secular (non-religious). He also wrote music for keyboard instruments, like the harpsichord, and for groups of instruments called consorts.



Use the QR code to listen to Ave verum corpus, one of Byrd's most famous pieces of music.

Musician

William Byrd

Making Connections...



Use this QR code to listen to a song by Henry Purcell, one of Byrd's peers.



William Byrd (born around 1540 – died 4 July 1623) was a famous English composer from the Renaissance period. Many people think he was one of the greatest composers of his time. He had a big impact on other composers in England and across Europe. He is often seen as one of England's most important early music composers.

Even though he wrote religious music for the Church of England, he became a Roman Catholic in the 1570s. After that, he also wrote Catholic religious music.



Use the QR code to listen to Fantasia for harpsichord.

of the Month

Use the QR code to listen to the Galliard in 6 parts.



Little is known of Byrd's early life except that he may have been born in Lincolnshire. A pupil and protégé of Thomas Tallis, Byrd was an accomplished organist and was appointed organist of Lincoln Cathedral in 1563. Nine years later he moved to London.





Sunday 3rd May 9.30am,
Kingsland Church

Messy Gnats and Flies!

Come and join us at Messy Church. This year we are finding lots of animals in the Bible and discovering their stories, so we find a plague of flies and gnats troubling the Egyptians and their Pharaoh. Why are there so many flies? What can be done about it? Our activities are all around creepy crawlies, butterflies and bugs and how they remind us to look after the natural world. After our painting, planting, playing and prayers, we worship together, with songs and the message from the bible before breakfast of sausages, cocoa pops and more!



All children with any members of their families welcome! If you have never been before you will be made to feel

very welcome. We meet for about an hour. Please let us know if you have any food intolerances, allergies or dietary requirements so that we can cater accordingly. This helps us keep food wastage to a minimum as well.

For more information: wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk



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JUNIOR CRICKET

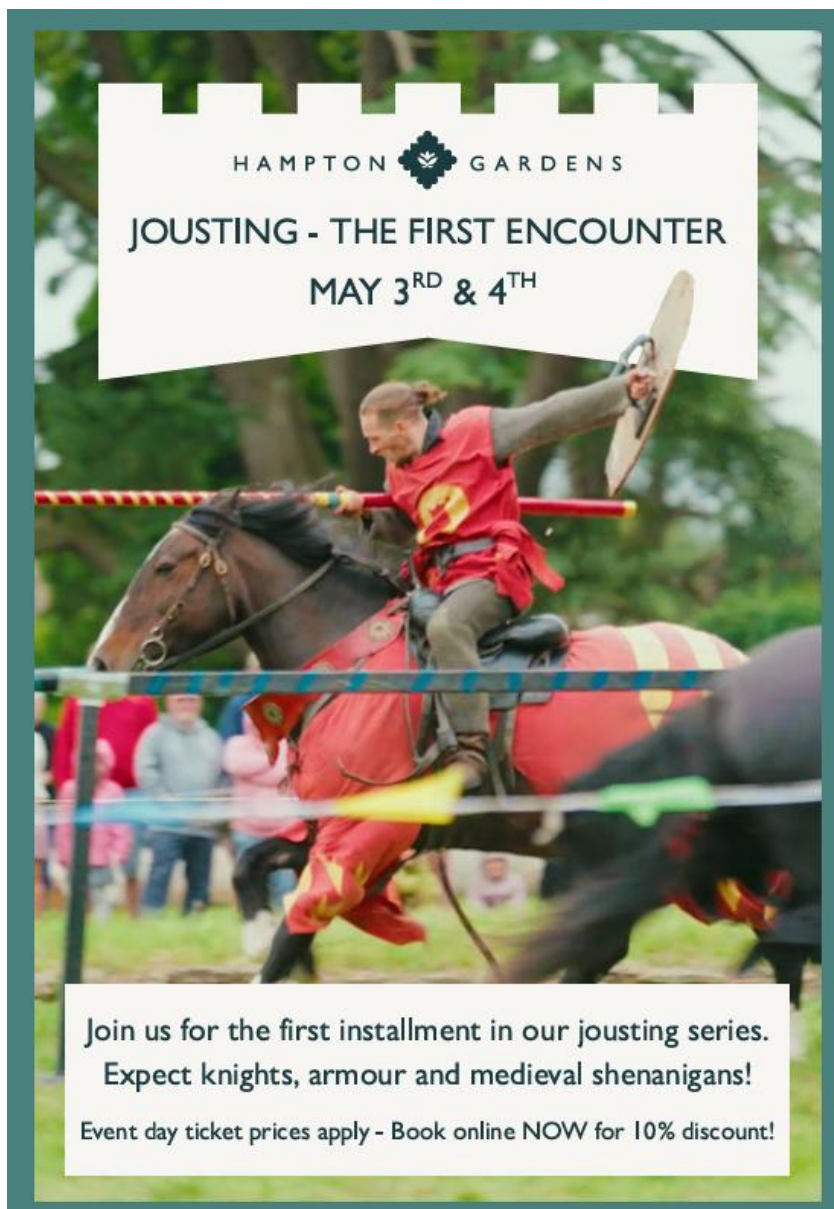
COME AND JOIN US!
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!


U11 CRICKET

Year 5 and 6 - Boys and Girls
Training starts 15th April

Training every Wednesday
at 6.00pm - Luctonians Sports Club

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL:
YOUTHCHAIR@LUCTONIANS.CO.UK



HAMPTON  GARDENS

JOUSTING - THE FIRST ENCOUNTER

MAY 3RD & 4TH

Join us for the first installment in our jousting series.
Expect knights, armour and medieval shenanigans!
Event day ticket prices apply - Book online NOW for 10% discount!



The Conquest Theatre Presents

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

Music and Lyrics by Richard M. Sherman
and Robert B. Sherman

Adapted for the Stage by
Jeremy Sams

Music by Special
Arrangement with Sony/ATV

Based on the MGM Motion Picture

Licensed Script Adapted by Ray Roderick

AUDITIONS

Auditions are now open for anyone aged 10 and above!

Pre-audition workshop - Sunday 17th May 2.30pm

Youth audition - Sunday 24th May 2.30pm

Adult audition - Tuesday 2nd June 7.00pm

Adult audition - Sunday 7th June 2.30pm

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang - This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI - www.MTIShows.co.uk

NURSERY

Ballet



Age 3+

Thursday Morning
9.15 - 9.45AM

Age 3+

Book Trial Here:

Kingsland Coronation Hall, HR6 9SQ
First session Thursday 14th May



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

Beatitudes - Standing up for what is right - Sum 4



"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
Matthew 5:10

Spiritual Thinking

Who inspires you to follow their example?
Are their times when doing the right thing, has been tough for you?

How should we treat others who may believe different things than ourselves?

Who do you think the 4th person was?

In the fire with you

You could create a display of flames, writing on each flame, something that is a challenge or tries to stop you from standing up for what is right. Then draw a person in the fire to represent someone who helps you when you are finding it tough. Write their name or add to the drawing to make it look like them.



Spiritual Sounds

Brave and blessed is a joyful Christian reggae song that reminds us that God is with us even when things are tough.



difference.

find out more

Difference for Primary Schools is a free suite of resources to help your school navigate an increasingly complex world, inspired by Jesus to embrace difference and champion a culture of hope and empathy.



Praying for the Persecuted Church

Depending on your school's context you may wish to explore these resources from [Open Doors](#) that help children explore a world map about the persecuted church today and to pray for those people.



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

No

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

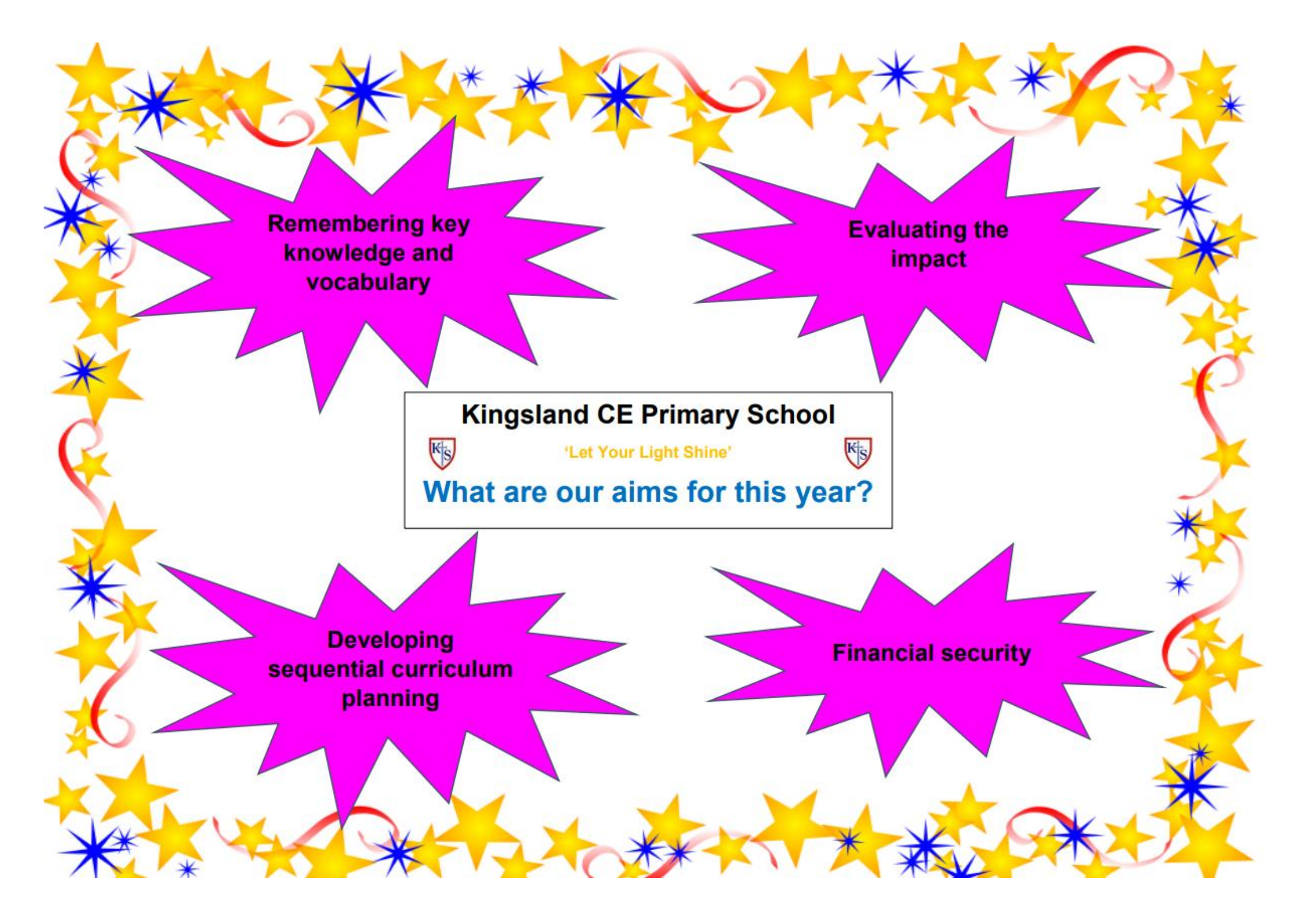
Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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>.



**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.