



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 15th 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)

Congratulations Y6s! You have excelled this week in your KS2 national assessments, really letting your lights shine brightly. Well done!

The school is also delighted to be able to share its recent [SIAMS inspection report](#). We are thrilled that the inspector recognised that ‘**Kingsland Church of England Primary School is living up to its foundation as a Church school and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish.**’ Some other highlights include: ‘Adults, pupils and families value the sense of belonging that these experiences foster, creating rich spiritual flourishing.’ And ‘**there is a harmonious atmosphere at Kingsland that spreads out to the school community. Parents, carers and families welcome the open-door policy that ensures positive relationships of mutual trust.**’ Other quotes and highlights can be found within this newsletter.

PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

Monday 1 st June	Staff INSET day – school is closed for pupils
Tuesday 2 nd June	First day back after half term
Thursday 4 th June	Sports' Day - KS2 at 9.15am; KS1 at 1.15pm
Tuesday 16 th June	iSingPop Concerts for all children 2pm and 6pm
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
Friday 3 rd July	Music on the Move concert in school for all children
Monday 13 th July	Parents' Show and Tell 2.45pm
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Leavers' Celebration Evening 5.30pm
Friday 17 th July	End-of-year service in Kingsland Church 1.30pm

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:

When have you experienced moments of awe and wonder?



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

Charlie, Ruby, Cora, Ed and Oliver for excellent improvement in art and great attention to detail; **Matilda, Imogen, Niamh, Austin, Ella and Olivia** for their maturity and taking ownership of their learning during SATS preparation – well done!

House Tokens

Congratulations to the following children for achieving a house token!

Ambrey	Berrington	Croft	Mortimer
The Class 1 Team Ben Sophie	The Class 1 Team Henry Oliver	The Class 1 Team Cecily Hattie Harry Matilda	The Class 1 Team Arthur Dotty Aria

School Game Platinum

We are delighted that the school has been re-awarded the School Games Platinum sport award for our continued commitment to inclusive, high-quality sport and PE provision. A huge THANK YOU to Mr Powell and Miss Walker.



We now look forward to our Sports' Day on Thursday 4th June.

School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year 4!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
94.6%	93.8%	92.1%	96.8%	99.2%	98.4%	97.1%	96.1%

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.

To attend, please complete this online form: ['Understanding Your Child' Togetherness Workshop for Y5/6 parents – Fill out form](#)

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

Happy Birthday Sir David Attenborough!

This week, Year 1 children have designed and written birthday cards to Sir David Attenborough to celebrate his 100th birthday.



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 **Dinky** ... Well done!



Governor news: this week, governors have been shortlisting from a strong field of candidates for the YR teacher post. Interviews take place on Thursday 21st May. Governors have also been preparing to submit the school budget for 2026-2027.

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.



A reminder about our upcoming iSingPop project ...



Dear Parent/Guardian

In June 2026, iSingPOP is coming to Kingsland CE Primary School where ALL the children will be involved in a singing and performing project. The school has taken part in a number of previous iSingPop projects, and it will be a very exciting event in the school calendar.

iSingPOP helps children and families engage in Collective Worship in school, church and at home. They will be learning and performing a number of special songs with actions, which support the school values.

For more information about the iSingPOP experience visit: <https://www.isingpop.org>

Rehearsals will take place in school on 8th, 9th and 10th June.

On 16th June 2026, there will be 2 concerts in Kingsland St Michael's and All Angels Church, where we can join together as a community to celebrate the children's achievements. The first concert will begin at 2pm. The second concert will begin at 6pm. Please ensure you arrive at the venue no later than 15 min before to ensure a prompt start. Each concert will last under an hour and we look forward to welcoming you.

Tickets for each concert will be available from the school office in due course – more information to follow shortly.

For the first concert at 2pm, children are to wear full school uniform.

For the second concert at 6pm, children are to wear school skirts / dress / shorts / trousers with an iSingPOP top or another PLAIN brightly coloured T-shirt (no logos), and black school shoes.

ALL children will be participating in BOTH concerts.

iSingPOP clothing and CDs can be purchased in advance of concert day by visiting www.isingpop.org/shop and following the instructions on screen. A CD or digital download is available to purchase on the website which includes the songs the children will be learning.

Special Offer

Use code **KINGSLAND26** to receive free delivery on your order, sent direct to the school. We guarantee your items will be delivered to the school in time for the concert when ordered by **10th June 2026**.

Orders received after this time or without the code will incur postage charges and may not arrive in time for the concert. Please note, iSingPOP is a not-for-profit organisation and any income from sales goes back into the charity.

The children are sure to have a brilliant time learning the songs and actions and we hope to see you at the concerts on **16th June 2026**.

Mr S Debenham (Headteacher)

This is reflected in staff effectively adapting lessons and tailoring support to meet the needs of their pupils. This means pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) or who are considered vulnerable, receive the support they need to succeed.

This supports pupils to behave in a way that enables them to 'love those around them'.

Religious education (RE) is highly regarded as a subject that is important to pupils. This is because they learn in ways that encourage them to think critically. Therefore, pupils have an inquisitive nature about worldviews and world religions, including Christianity.

Decision-making throughout the school is democratic and inclusive, with the voices of pupils listened to carefully by adults.

Relationships in the school are strong. Using the vision as their guide, adults take time to get to know their pupils extremely well. This promotes a richly inclusive and supportive culture.

**SIAMS
2026**

Learning is brought to life by a rich provision of visitors and bespoke visits to a wide range of places of worship. This provides first hand insights into how religious beliefs influence what people think and do.

Learning is engaging because teachers have strong subject knowledge and expertise.

Pupils experience significant success in their RE learning ...
The quality of teaching in the subject means that their knowledge and understanding are impressive.

Collective worship is carefully planned to explore the school's Christian vision and values. Pupils reflect deeply and understand how their values can help guide their choices and strengthen their friendships.

The Christian vision is deeply established, loved and celebrated by pupils, staff, governors and parents. It informs and empowers the actions of members of the school community. The vision is central to decision making, and its impact is regularly monitored and evaluated.

The curriculum has been carefully tailored to reflect the context of the school. It provides multiple opportunities for pupils to raise their aspirations, live life to the full and shine.

Spiritual Thinking



What difference did Pentecost make to the disciples?
How might these events inspire someone today?
Do you think people can make such big changes on their own, or would they need God to help them?
What language would you most like to learn that could help others?



There are lots of resources for schools and churches including a free Pentecost songs and worship guides from iSingPop and the Cheeky Pandas.

[Access children's resources here](#)

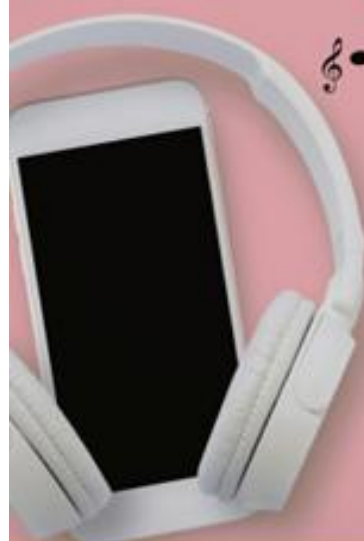
Pentecost is like the church's birthday, as it is when churches started to meet together.

How you could celebrate the birthday of your local church? Imagine throwing a party for the church who would you invite and what would you do?

A birthday needs a cake, so have a go at drawing a cake decorated to celebrate Pentecost. What colours would you use, what shape and symbols?



Spiritual Sounds



'Let your Living water' is a song by the group Vinesong that celebrates all three parts of the Trinity and creates a worshipful atmosphere for in churches for receiving from God. You could play this as entry music to your worship times in school.

A Windy Day Walk

Go for a walk on a day when its windy or breezy. Can you see the things the wind is moving? Can you feel it?

But can you see it? The Holy Spirit is like the wind, you can see what it does but you can't see it. Whilst on your walk, pray this prayer for the community around you.

**Holy Spirit,
Blow away the things
that keep people
apart.
Light your flame of
love
and hope in us,
so that we can be
your Pentecost
people today.
Amen.**

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AGES 5-11



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SUMMER INTENSIVE

Get ready for a fun, high-energy
week of performance training!



Monday 27th July – Friday 31st July 2026
8:45am – 5:00pm
Ages 8 – 18

Students will develop skills in acting, singing, dance, and physical theatre, build confidence, and work collaboratively on routines and scenes inspired by Hamilton, Heathers, Mean Girls, 13 Going on 30, Newsies and more!

With focused training in character development, technique, and stage presence, this intensive helps performers progress quickly in a supportive environment, ending with an informal performance for family and friends.

**One Vision School of Arts, Chapel Walk, Burgess Street,
Leominster, HR6 8DE**





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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...

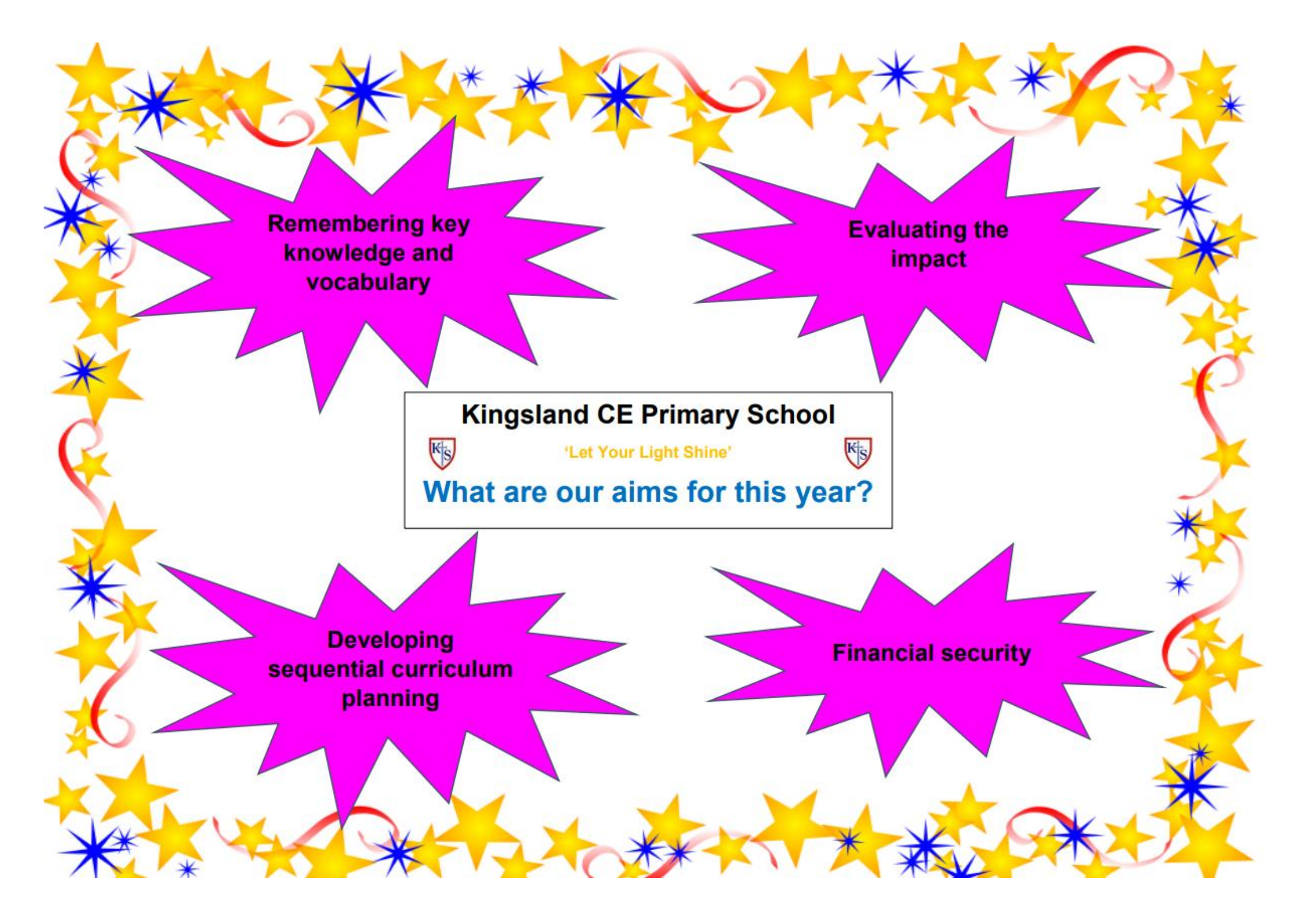
Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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.