



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

**Kingsland CE (VA)
Primary School**



The Kingsland Times

Friday 4th September 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 **LOVE**

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 new school year! It has been fabulous to welcome the children back to school after the summer holidays – already there is purposeful learning with children shining their lights brightly.

As well as our new YR children, and Bonnie in Class 4, we also welcome Miss Vale, Mrs Harris and Mrs Forsyth to the Kingsland staff team.

We look forward to seeing Y1 – Y6 parents at our Parents’ Information Meetings on Monday 7th September at 2.45pm. These will be held in children’s classrooms.



PLEASE DO NOT PLAN HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

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Dates for your diary

Monday 7 th September	Meet the teacher sessions 2.45pm, for Y1 – Y6 parents
Thursday 17 th September	Open Morning for prospective new YR families 9.30am
Monday 21 st September	YR parents' meeting 5pm in Class 1
Thursday 24 th September	YR / Y1 Welcome Party in Kingsland Church 2pm
Thursday 24 th September	PTA meeting 3.30pm in Class 2
Sunday 27 th September	Education Sunday in Kingsland Church
Wednesday 21 st September	Open Morning for prospective new YR families 9.30am
Wednesday 21 st October	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm
Thursday 22 nd October	Parents' Evening 4.00 – 7.30pm
WB 26 th October	Half term

Term dates for 2026 – 2027 can be found [here](#).



Governor news: the school's Governing Body is extremely hard working. Please have a look at the governor's webpage on the school website [here](#).



Big Question

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

What does it mean to let your light shine?

Y3 and Class 4 recorders

As part of their weekly music lessons, children in Y3 and Class 4 will be learning to play the recorder. Each child will need to bring a recorder to school each week this term – Y3 on Fridays; Class 4 on Mondays. Recorders can be purchased from the school office. Thank you.

Stay and Play Club

Stay and Play Club is open to all children. Bookings must be made in advance via the Arbor app.
Come and join the fun!



School Attendance

This week's attendance – well done Year R/1/2/4/5!							
YR	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	School total
100%	100%	100%	93.1%	100%	100%	99%	98.9%

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.**



A Bumper Crop of Plums
in The Meadow!

Year 3 went plum
picking and all classes
enjoyed the fresh
produce.





READY, SET, SCHOOL!



A POSITIVE START TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Small steps now can help your child feel **confident**,
calm and **ready** to learn.

TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS



RESTORE ROUTINES

Start earlier
bedtimes and
morning routines
about a week
before term
begins.



BUILD EXCITEMENT

Talk about the
fun things ahead –
friends, learning
and experiences.



TALK AND LISTEN

Ask how they're
feeling, listen
and reassure
them.



PRACTISE THE JOURNEY

Walk, drive or talk
through the route
to school so it
feels familiar.



POSITIVE GOODBYES

Keep goodbyes
short, warm and
reassuring.



TIME TO UNWIND

After school,
provide time for a
snack, relaxation
and connection.



HELP WITH WORRIES

It's normal for
children to feel
excited or nervous
about going back
to school.

- ✓ Listen without judgement
- ✓ Acknowledge their feelings
- ✓ Reassure them that their teachers are there to help
- ✓ Focus on what they can do and what will stay the same



If worries feel big
or last a long time,
please speak to
your school.

SCHOOL IS ABOUT MORE THAN LEARNING



MAKE
FRIENDS



FEEL A SENSE
OF BELONGING



BUILD
CONFIDENCE



DEVELOP
INDEPENDENCE



BUILD RESILIENCE
FOR THE FUTURE



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Going to school every day helps children learn,
build friendships and reach their full potential.

GOOD ATTENDANCE =

- ✓ Better learning
- ✓ Stronger friendships
- ✓ More confidence
- ✓ Greater independence
- ✓ Better future opportunities



TOGETHER WE CAN HELP CHILDREN
FEEL **HAPPY**, **CONFIDENT** AND **READY TO THRIVE**.

Let's
make it a
great year!



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OPEN MORNINGS

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2027?



You would be most welcome to visit school on one of our Open Mornings:



Thursday 17th September at 9.30am

Wednesday 21st October at 9.30am

Tuesday 24th November at 9.30am

Please contact the school office to book a place
(bookings are essential): 01568 708436

admin@kingslandengland.hereford.sch.uk

We look forward to welcoming families to visit our flourishing school, meeting our incredible staff team and experiencing our rich and vibrant learning environment:

- ✓ Observe the children thriving and flourishing as they let their lights shine
- ✓ Experience our warm welcoming school



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Reception admissions for 2027-2028

Do you have a child born between
1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023

If so you will need to apply for a school place
by 15 January 2027
(to commence September 2027)

Applications can be completed from
14 September 2026 online
(scan QR code) or visit:



www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions

Please note: a place at a nursery does not
guarantee a place at the associated primary
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or
schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk

Dolly Parton was born in 1946 in Locust Ridge, Tennessee, into a poor farming family. She displayed a passion for music at an early age, and as a child she was a featured singer and guitarist on local radio and television shows.



Use the QR code to listen to 9 to 5.

Musician

Dolly Parton

Making Connections ...

Dolly is a devoted Christian. Her faith has inspired many of her songs.



Dolly Parton, born on January 19, 1946, was an American singer, songwriter, actress, and businesswoman. She is also known for her generous charity work. She has created over 50 albums and sold over 100 million records worldwide. Often called the "Queen of Country", Dolly Parton is one of the most celebrated female country music performers ever.

Dolly can play many instruments, even though she doesn't read sheet music. She plays the dulcimer, autoharp, banjo, guitar and piano.



Use this QR code to listen to Jolene.

of the Month

Use the QR code to listen to I will always love you.



Dolly created the Dollywood Foundation, an organization with the aim of providing educational resources to children. The foundation's Imagination Library was created in 1995. Inspired by her father's inability to read and write, Parton launched the project as an effort to promote children's literacy. It has donated hundreds of millions of children's books to children around the world.



Use the QR code to Coat of many colours.





What helps you to be brave, when
taking on new challenges?

What new steps are you taking this year?

What is the bravest thing you have done?

Letting go of fear



This can be done with the
whole class or small group.
Give out small slips of paper.

You will also need an
uninflated balloon.

Write down things that
people are fearful of, as they
start a new school year.

Put them into the balloon

Then blow it up.

Share hort rpayer for
courage and then release
the balooon to take away
the fears.

Shield of Courage



What helps you to feel brave and to
have courage? Write them onto the
shield. What ehkps your class mates -
share your shields with each other.

**Spiritual
Sea
Shanty**

**'Be bold and
courageous' is a new
sea shanty inspired
song with actions
from Doug Horley
and Mark Read.**



[https://youtu.be/tiL5IIdcAVU?
si=WgX0_0dQVAcvYzys](https://youtu.be/tiL5IIdcAVU?si=WgX0_0dQVAcvYzys)

INSTRUMENTAL and LAMDA TUITION for 2026 – 2027

We are convinced that a child reaps enormous benefits socially, academically and emotionally through learning a musical instrument. Being a Lead Music School for Herefordshire, our school has an excellent musical reputation and we would like to offer this opportunity for your child to learn to play a musical instrument.

In the **autumn term** 2026 we are offering the opportunity to learn an instrument through the Accredited Teacher Scheme with Encore Enterprises - Herefordshire Music Service. Parents will be able to order tuition with an 'Accredited Teacher' and hire instruments from the music service at a reasonable cost. Under the Accredited Teacher Scheme, the teachers will invoice parents directly. Accredited Teachers have been subject to a robust recruitment process. They all have up-to-date police checks (DBS) and will be receiving regular lesson observations to ensure that the lessons are of the highest standard. The scheme has allowed for savings to be made and there is a recommended charge rate of **£12.50** per 20 minute individual lesson. This can vary depending on the instrument being taught. Lessons for groups or pairs can share the costs if appropriate. Parents will be informed of the contact details for the instrumental teachers together with a list of terms and conditions. It is imperative that they are informed directly if your child will not be in school for their lesson. The school office also provides the music teachers with upcoming events that could impact on music lessons but responsibility is with the parents for any absences or cancellations. For any further information please go to <https://www.encore-enterprises.com/>

We would particularly encourage your child to learn **an orchestral instrument** as this can lead to exciting opportunities in county bands and orchestras.

Instrument	Earliest YEAR GROUP to start
Violin	1/2
Viola	1/2
Guitar	3/4
Flute	3/4
Clarinet	3/4
Saxophone	4/5
Oboe	4/5
Bassoon	4
Cornet/Trumpet	3/4
Tenor Horn	3/4
Baritone Horn	3/4
Trombone	3/4
Euphonium	3/4
Tuba	3/4
French Horn	3/4
Piano / singing	2
Percussion/Drums	2/3
Harp	3

If you are interested in your son/daughter starting to learn to play a musical instrument, then please click on the following link by **31st August 2026**. [Music Lessons Autumn Term 2026 – Fill out form](#)

You will then receive communication from the Accredited Teacher with further information (along with an instrument hire form if appropriate.) **If your child is already having music lessons, the Accredited Teachers will assume that they are continuing unless they receive half a term's written notice to cease.**

LAMDA

After the success of the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival, and the very encouraging comments from the adjudicators towards Kingsland children, there is the opportunity for children to take LAMDA exams commencing in the **Autumn term 2026**.

Founded in 1861, LAMDA (London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art) is one of the UK's oldest and most respected awarding bodies and is recognised by Ofqual. These exams and qualifications are recognised internationally.

LAMDA certificates are great to obtain for any student wishing to further their career in the performing arts or enhance their skills and gain extra qualifications through school.

LAMDA exams develop social, communication and interpersonal skills. They increase confidence and self-esteem, provide a broader vocabulary and enhanced memory and recall. Learners will develop their vocal, physical, and interpretive skills.

During the exam, learners will perform their practical pieces followed by a discussion with the examiner about the material, their characters, and their choices. Pieces and questions differ depending on the exam and grade being taken.

Exams begin at introductory level (stage 1, 2 and 3) and move into Grade 1 through to 8.

Exams can be taken in **poetry, public speaking, acting and musical theatre**. Students can express their interest in a certain area and the LAMDA teacher will decide which exam and grade would be best suited to each pupil.

As they progress through the grades over the years, and they reach their medals (grades 6, 7 and 8), they can gain UCAS points which they can use for colleges and universities.

Students receive a certificate along with a written report and mark: Pass (50%+) Merit (65%+) or Distinction (80+).

LAMDA requires dedication and practice at home to bridge the gap between sessions. Students can begin LAMDA from the age of around 6 years old. Teaching sessions will be held on a 1-1 or group basis once a week for 20 minutes during school hours, at a cost of approximately £10 per session (to be paid per half term) with a qualified coach. Payment would be made directly to the coach. This is similar to the organisational structure of instrumental music lessons.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any further information.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

SPOTLIGHT CLUB

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB INVOLVES:

GAMES

SONGS

CRAFTS

BIBLE
STORIES

AND LOTS OF FUN!!

Y1-Y6
KINGSLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL
MONDAY
3:15PM-4:30PM

20 SPACES
PLEASE CONTACT
THE SCHOOL TO
BOOK A PLACE



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



Advice and guidance

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



THE MORTIMER'S CROSS BENEFICE

*Sowing faith and
sharing God's love
in the parishes of
Kingsland
Eardisland
Aymestrey &
Leinthall Earles*

Leominster Deanery

Diocese of Hereford

Church of England

SUNDAY SERVICES

SEPTEMBER
2026

6th Sep

*Creationtide:
Made in
the image
of God*

9.30am - Messy Church
Kingsland

9:30am - Holy Communion
Eardisland

11am - Holy Communion
Aymestrey

Unfortunately there will be no
Holy Communion at Kingsland
today. Please join us at
Aymestrey or Eardisland.

13th Sep

*Creationtide:
Caring for
Creation*

9:30am - PopUp Church
Eardisland

11am - Morning Prayer
Aymestrey

11am - Holy Communion
Kingsland

20th Sep

*Creationtide:
One body,
many parts*

9:30am - Holy Communion
Eardisland

11am - Holy Communion
Kingsland

3.30pm - Holy Communion
for Harvest Festival
Leinthall Earles

27th Sep

*Education
Sunday:
Living well
together*

9:30am - Morning Prayer
Eardisland

11am - Service for Education
Sunday with Kingsland CE
School
Kingsland

The Mortimer's Cross Churches



**Messy[®]
Church**

**Come along to Messy Church!
For all ages: children and adults.
Come as you are.**

We begin with creative activities like crafts and games, before a short informal act of worship. Then, we share breakfast with sausages, cocoa pops and more! Messy Church lasts about an hour. Free to attend, donations welcome.

**1st Sunday of the month
9.30am at Kingsland Church, HR6 9QW**

To find out more email wendy@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk

Messy Church is part of the Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF), a Registered charity. brf.org.uk

**Mortimer's Cross Churches &
Kingsland Methodist Chapel**

Youth Group

for Young People in Secondary School & Year 6

**Activities, food, games and chat - a chance to
spend time together and discuss Christian faith**

Autumn 2026

Saturday 5th September: "Old enough?"

Saturday 3rd October: "Fair enough?"

Saturday 7th November: "Good enough?"

Saturday 5th December: "Man enough?"

**All sessions 3-5pm
at Kingsland Methodist Chapel**

Newcomers welcome! First session free.

Contact Maggie: 07514 785568

maggie@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk

The Mortimer's Cross Benefice



2026
**LIVING WELL
TOGETHER**

cte.org.uk/educationsunday2026

Join us for Education Sunday!

**A service for all ages, celebrating teaching
and learning**

**Sunday 27th September, 11am
at Kingsland Church, HR6 9QW**

**The service lasts about an hour and will be
followed by refreshments.**

**All are very welcome at our services, whether you come to
church occasionally, regularly or have never been before!**

To find out more email rector@mortimerscrosschurches.co.uk

GRAB YOUR
HEADPHONES
AND DANCE
THROUGH
THE DECADES!

SILENT DISCO

80's, 90's & 00's



SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2026



KINGSLAND CORONATION HALL

7.00PM – 10.30PM

TICKETS

£10

OVER 16'S ONLY



BAR



RJ'S
SMOKE SHACK



GLOW
STICKS



TUNES



AVAILABLE FROM **AYMESTREY PATISSERIE** OR **LYDIA STEVENS**



ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS HALL FUNDS





Swap screen time for stage time!

New term enrolling now!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Some of the most important lessons children learn can't be found on a screen. They come from working together, supporting each other, listening carefully and believing in themselves. Stagecoach Hereford helps children develop these valuable life skills while having the freedom to express who they are. And parents agree – they tell us over and over again how their children have benefitted:

"Our daughter started her Stagecoach journey in the Early Stages class... She was incredibly shy so we thought we would try Stagecoach to develop her skills. We were not disappointed! Her confidence and the skills she developed transferred into school and day-to-day life where she eventually became deputy head girl!"

"I would highly recommend Jon and his team at Stagecoach Hereford. The investment in your child, whatever age, is worth it!" Stagecoach parent

"Stagecoach Hereford was the best thing I could have found. It made me into who I am today. It was the favourite part of my week, and I looked forward to it every day. It gave me confidence and lifelong friends..." Stagecoach past-student

Children aged **4-to-6** can enrol in our 90-minute **Early Stages** classes where they enjoy 30 minutes of **singing** where they learn new songs and find out about rhythm, timing and how sounds are formed; 30 minutes of **dance** which gives them the confidence to try new dance moves; and 30 minutes of **drama** which allows budding young actors to role play and practise improvisation and storytelling.

Our **Main School** students aged **6-to-18** work in a small group with supportive specialist teachers and enjoy an hour of **singing** from shows, films and a variety of popular music; an hour of **dance** using elements of modern, jazz and other styles; and an hour of **drama** covering a wide range of work and improvisation skills.

Joining Stagecoach is more than starting a new activity; it's becoming part of a supportive community where children are encouraged to be creative, build lasting friendships and grow in confidence.

Classes run every Saturday morning in term time at St Mary's RC High School, Lugwardine, Hereford. To book your **two-week trial** place, just scan the QR code or visit www.stagecoach.co.uk/herford, email me at hereford@stagecoach.co.uk or call **01432 820818** for more details.

Jonathan Legg
Principal, Stagecoach Hereford

ACTING
SINGING
DANCE
CONFIDENCE
CREATIVITY
TEAMWORK
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
PRESENTATION SKILLS
IMPROVISATION
CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT
MEMORY
STAGE CRAFT
CO-ORDINATION
ANNUAL PERFORMANCES
PROGRESS REPORTS
OVER 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE
AND
IT'S GREAT FUN!



AMAZING SHOWS FOR KIDS

AT THE REGAL!

REGAL

TENBURY WELLS
CINEMA • ARTS • THEATRE

GREAT THEATRE
MEMORIES
START HERE

(ALMOST) COMPLETE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN

Presented by
The Pantaloons Theatre Company

MUD, BLOOD AND STIFF UPPER-LIPS!

Join the critically-acclaimed Pantaloons Theatre Company on a breathless race through the centuries in this delightfully inventive show that tells the entire story of Britain in under 2 hours.

Featuring live music, audience interaction
and wild historical inaccuracy.

Suitable for all ages.

THU
25
SEPT

TICKETS: £16 ADULT | £14 CONCESSIONS

Rapunzel

Bethan Woolvin

Golden-haired Rapunzel is trapped in her lofty tower by a wicked witch. It's time for Rapunzel to take charge of her own destiny and figure out a way to escape.

A bold and funny musical adventure full of music,
magic and madcap schemes –
and not a prince in sight!

Suitable for all ages.

SAT
4
OCT

TICKETS: ADULTS (WITH UNDER 3 ON LAP) £14 | UNDER 16s £13

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS!

Join our Three Little Pigs as they excitedly leave the family sty in search of new adventures! Will they make a pig's ear out of it or will they raise the roof?

Packed with catchy songs, dancing and audience
participation for piglets of all ages.

Suitable for all ages.

SUN
26
OCT

TICKETS: ADULTS £16 | UNDER 13s £14

regaltenbury.co.uk
01584 811 442
49 Teme Street,
Tenbury Wells WR15 8AE

BOOK NOW!

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!





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(Matthew 5:16)



This half term's Christian value is:

LOVE

Educating for Hope and Aspiration

A prayer of LOVE

Creator God, Thank you that each of us is precious in your sight, and loved. Help us to feel that love each and every day. May we find that same love for everyone within our class at school and at home so that no one is left out; in Jesus' name. 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: **LOVE**

A reflection on LOVE by Rev. Julie

Did you know that our word LOVE has 4 different Greek words ...?

1. storge (meaning affection) is the everyday care we have for each other, the people we share our class with, or the people who work with us
2. philia (meaning friendship) and the love of friends, the ones we choose to share our time with outside of school hours, or who carry on after we have left school and moved onto other things
3. eros (meaning romantic love) and the pull that draws couples together to share their whole lives and set up home together
4. agape (meaning charity) and is the unconditional love that God the Father gives us in sending his Son, Jesus, to show us how to live, how to be, what is important. It is love that forgives when things go wrong, and is the most precious type of love that there is.

St Paul sums up this last kind of love in these famous words that we often hear at weddings, and they tell us what God is like, for God is love. Here is the beginning of 1 Corinthians Chapter 13:

LOVE IS PATIENT, LOVE IS KIND, IT IS NOT BOASTFUL OR ENVIOUS OR ARROGANT OR RUDE, IT DOES NOT INSIST ON ITS OWN WAY, IT IS NOT IRRITABLE OR RESENTFUL, IT DOES NOT REJOICE IN WRONG DOING, BUT REJOICES IN THE TRUTH...

I often say that this is the ideal that we should hold up, but realise that we often find it difficult. I know that I wasn't always patient with my teenage children.... When are times that you find it difficult to love?

Jesus told a story, a parable, about love, making sure that everyone is included, everyone is looked after, everyone is safe. It was about a farmer, well a shepherd really, who had 100 sheep, and every night he would call them into the sheepfold (his specially made stone-walled safe place) and count them in ... 97, 98, 99, 100. One evening, he counted them in ... 97, 98, 99 ... but there was one missing. What do you think he did? Did he think "Oh well, I have 99 sheep, that's pretty good, I need to care for them"? No he left the 99 safely shut up for the night and went out to look for the lost sheep. As the night fell, he found it caught up in a bramble and, prizing it loose, he put it over his shoulder and carried it home. THAT IS LOVE, making sure that EVERYONE is safe, and that EVERYONE lives well ... exactly what we aim to do at school.

I wonder if you can look out for everyone in your class as we start the new school year... making sure that everyone is safe, and doesn't get lost in their lessons, everyone has someone to play with, everyone is happy, and perhaps the words that you say to someone could be "HOW CAN I HELP?"