

Our Kingsholm Family, diverse, curious and kind, supporting and inspiring each other to reach our goals and shine.



Kingsholm C of E Primary School and Nursery

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This term's value is Compassion

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other as God forgives you.' – Ephesians 4:32

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Dear parents/carers,

So, I think I can say it now (!) we have made it to half term!

I have had many favourite moments this half term including seeing families being able to return to Kingsholm Star Assembly and coming in to watch the Year 5 children celebrate Harvest. A huge amount of families joined their children this morning to experience our OPAL provision and we are looking forward to inviting you all back later in the academic year.

The reception children all deserve a huge WELL DONE. You have settled in superbly and are definitely enjoying life at Kingsholm. It has been lovely to come and see you all in your classes this term, keep up the good work everyone. I must also say another well done to all of our new members of staff who have worked so hard this term.

I saw in an email today that it is 65 sleeps until Christmas which I do not plan on telling my children! It was however a wonderful reminder of what an exciting half term we have ahead of us. The children have the Bonfire Lunch to look forward to in addition to lots of exciting learning opportunities. There will be more information to follow but we are looking forward to inviting our Nursery, Reception and Year 1 parents to see their children in some Christmas performances in December.

Have a super half term.

Matt Ferris, Headteacher

Hello,

It's Lena here with our monthly minister update. This month the ministers and I have been going around the school to check if the classrooms have everything they need to help the children be successful in their learning. We loved going to the Reception classes as we saw how happy all the children were. We also thought the book corners across the school had a brilliant range of books for our children to read. Update you again next month. Remember to Be your Best! Lena - **Prime Minister**



Gloucester Foodbank wish to pass on their sincere gratitude for the amount of donations they received from our school for the Harvest Festival. Like many Foodbanks across the country they are experiencing a shortage of supplies, so your contributions will certainly help many families in the Gloucester community.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Deadline

The deadline is the 31st October.

Apply online via the link below or come to the office for a paper copy.

<https://emsonline.gloucestershire.gov.uk/CitizenPortal/en?ReturnUrl=%2FCitizenPortal>

Poppies

After half term, poppies, pencils, rulers, slap bands etc will be on sale for Remembrance Day during break times. Please give generously.



Annual Flu Vaccinations

The flu consent forms will be sent out during the first week after half term. The dates of the flu vaccines are **Mon 6th, Tues 7th and Weds 8th of December.**

Please complete and return the forms to the school office **EVEN** if you do not wish for your child to have the nasal spray.

Parent Governor Election Results

We are delighted to announce:

Mrs Jenny Stephen and Mr Manoj Sebastian

have been elected as the new Parent Governors who will govern for the next four years.

National Child Measurement Programme

This will take place on 16th November for Year 6 pupils only. A text about the Information letter has been sent and the letter is available on the School Website and on Class Dojo. You do not have to respond unless you do not want your child to be involved.



New Winter Dinner Menu

Please see the school website to view the new winter menu which will run until February half term.



Science Showcase

There has been lots of amazing science learning happening across the school. From learning about materials in Y1 to learning about the heart in Y6. On **Wednesday 10th November** we would like the children from **Nursery to Y6** to **come to school dressed as scientists** to celebrate **World Science Day**. On this day we will be completing fun science experiments and also launching our very exciting science competition. Watch this space... and the stars!



BONFIRE LUNCH

Friday 5th November

The menu will be: Hot dog or veggie dog, chips, beans and bonfire cake. Children not entitled to universal or free school meals will be charged £2.25.



SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to our Kingsholm football team who came in third place at the Gloucester Football finals! This is a fantastic achievement, and all the children were absolutely amazing! In the last few weeks, the team have made a strong start to their league campaign beating Upton St Leonards 2-3! Well done!

English Family Fun

All parents are invited to join their children for the following Family Fun sessions at either 9am to 10am or 2pm to 3pm.

Reception	10 th Nov Acorn Hall
Year 1	24 th Nov Acorn Hall
Year 2	17 th Nov Acorn Hall
Year 3	11 th Nov Oak Hall
Year 4	2 nd Dec Oak Hall
Year 5	23 rd Nov - Oak Hall
Year 6	1 st Dec - Oak Hall



'Get Caught Reading' Half term challenge Nursery to Year 6



Please take a photo of your child reading somewhere unusual over half term and they could have the chance to win a fabulous prize. Please email your photos to getcaughtreading@kingsholm.gloucs.sch.uk

Remember to add your child's name and class. The photos will also be displayed around school. Thank you for your support!

Kingsholm School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

A copy of our Safeguarding Policy is available to view on our website or via the school office.

Term Dates for 2021 – 2022	
Term 1: Thursday 2 nd September – Friday 22 nd October	School ends 3:10pm / 3:15pm
Term 2: Monday 1 st November – Friday 17 th December	School ends 1:10pm
Term 3: Tuesday 4 th January – Friday 18 th February	School ends 3:10pm / 3:15pm
Term 4: Monday 28 th February – Friday 8 th April	School ends 1:10pm
Term 5: Monday 25 th April – Friday 27 th May	School ends 3:10pm / 3:15pm
Term 6: Monday 6 th June – Wednesday 20 th July	School ends 1:10pm

Dates for your Diary 2021–2022

More details for the events will follow and information is also available on our school website calendar.

Friday 22 nd October	End of Term 1 - 3:10pm / 3:15pm
Sunday 31 October	Secondary School Transfer deadline
Monday 1 st November	Start of Term 2 - Gates open at 8:40am - 8:50am
Monday 1 st November	New Reception 2022 Parents Open Day 9am, 4:15pm & 7pm
Monday 1 st November	AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS restart
Wednesday 3 rd November	Year 4 Visit to Slimbridge Wetlands Centre
Friday 5 th November	Bonfire Lunch
Wednesday 10 th November	World Science Day – ALL CHILDREN COME DRESSED AS A SCIENTIST
Wednesday 10 th November	Reception English Family Fun - Parents invited 9-10 or 2-3 Acorn Hall
Thursday 11 th November	Remembrance Day and Awareness Day for Diabetes
Friday 12 th November	Non-Uniform Day for Diabetes – ALL CHILDREN WEAR SOMETHING BLUE
Thursday 11 th November	Year 3 English Family Fun - Parents invited 9-10 or 2-3 Oak Hall
Tuesday 16 th November	Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme in school
Wednesday 17 th November	Year 2 English Family Fun - Parents invited 9-10 or 2-3 Acorn Hall
Tuesday 23 rd November	Year 5 English Family Fun - Parents invited 9-10 or 2-3 Oak Hall
Wednesday 24 th November	Year 1 English Family Fun - Parents invited 9-10 or 2-3 Acorn Hall
Monday 29 th November	LAST WEEK OF AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS