

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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December 2021

Dear parents/carers,

It has been an extremely busy term in school with lots of exciting events happening for the children. Our showcase subject this term has been **science** and it has been wonderful to see many budding scientists amongst the children. Next term we will be showcasing **art** and there are lots of creative and fun activities planned for the classes.

Thank you to those families who have attended our Kingsholm Star Assembly and the Y1 Nativity. It was super to see all of you at these special times for your children. The children also thoroughly enjoyed their Christingle services. It really is a spectacular sight to see so many of them in Gloucester Cathedral, particularly at this time of year. Children from across the school have also visited St Catharine's Church for Explore Christmas. It is fantastic for us to have such a strong link with both St Catharine's and the Cathedral, it benefits the children enormously.

Finally thank you to all of you for your support this term. The children are progressing well and making up for a very turbulent time with schools opening and closing. There is plenty to look forward to next term but before that have a restful and enjoyable holiday.

Kind regards,
Matt Ferris, Headteacher.

Hello,

It's Lena here to update you. This month we have been doing lots of events to help us learn about the Christmas story. We went to St Catharine's to 'Explore Christmas'. We also went to Gloucester Cathedral for our Christingle service. It was lovely all being together especially when the candles were lit. Thank you to both St Catharine's and Gloucester Cathedral for having us. Remember to be kind and I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Lena - **Prime Minister**



Hellos and Goodbyes

We would like to welcome: Mr Leslie Swanepoel who recently joined the Kingsholm Family.



We would like to thank Mr Phil Smith & Mrs Chloe Muddle, who are leaving at the end of this term, for all their work and wish them the very best for the future.

A very special mention goes to Mrs Julie Rudge our admissions and school office administrator who has been a valued member of the Kingsholm family for over 20 years. Julie has recently taken the decision to take early retirement. Julie will be sorely missed by everyone and we wish her all the very best in her next chapter of life.

End of Term

School finishes at **1:10pm** on Friday 17th December.

Cool Kids

Cool Kids closes at **2:30pm** on Friday 17th December.

Beginning of Term 3

School starts on Wednesday 5th January 2022.

National Child Measurement and Vision Screening Programme for Reception Class

This will take place on Mon 17th & Tues 18th January.

Please see the school's webpage, parent zone, letters, parent letters for details.



The Staff and Governors would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to welcoming you back in 2022.

Christmas Jumper Fortnight

Thank you for all the donations to Save the Children which have been generated during our Christmas jumper fortnight.

We have raised so far **£269**. Donations can still be made via the link below.

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD210006803>

Thank you.



Breakfast Bagels

Starting from the 10th January as part of the National School Breakfast Programme we will be offering all children a free bagel when they arrive into their classrooms. The bagels will be available in class daily and there is no charge.



Science Showcase

Please take a look at all the fantastic science learning from our showcase this term <https://www.kingsholmprimary.co.uk/key-information/kingsholm-curriculum/showcase-subject/showcase-subject.html>

A huge well done to Jasmine in 2C, who won the Kingsholm Science Mascot Competition seen here.



Toast for Terms 3 & 4

Toast payments are now required for terms 3 and 4 for years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. A payment of £10 is required and this can be made either by parentpay or paypoint voucher. Please contact the office if you require a voucher. Deadline for payment is Friday 7th January 2022.



SPORT

The football team were very unlucky in their last match against Upton St Leonards, losing 3-2. After going down 3-0, the children put in a fantastic performance to bring the score close and were very unlucky to not get a result. If the team bring the same attitude to the games in the New Year, we are sure to continue our fine form.

Make sure to check out Class Dojo for a 12 days of Christmas activity to keep you exercising in the run up to Christmas.



Healthy Lunch Box Reminder

If your child brings in a packed lunch please remember that we encourage healthy eating. We are a nut free school. Please be mindful not to bring any nut based products such that include nuts e.g. **Nutella**



Spring - Art showcase

Art is our showcase next term and we would be interested in hearing from any parent or relative who has an art background to see if they would like to assist with a workshop or come and talk to the children about their line of work. Thank you!



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 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 17 th December	End of Term School ends at 1:10PM
Tuesday 4 January 2022	STAFF INSET DAY (School Closed)
Wednesday 5 th January	Term 3 Starts
Friday 7 th January	Deadline to pay for Toast
Monday 10 th January	Breakfast Bagels available in class to ALL children
Monday 10 th January	Young Voices Club starts ONLY
Monday 17 th & 18 th January	National Child Measurement and Vision Screening Programme for Reception Classes
Monday 17 th January	Afterschool Clubs Start TBC
Thursday 27 th January	Life Education Classes TBC
Friday 28 th January	Life Education Classes TBC
Friday 28 th January	Young Voices Concert at Resorts World, Birmingham (More info to follow)
2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th February	Life Education Classes TBC
Tuesday 8 th February	Safer Internet Day
Monday 14 th February	Kingsholm Star Assembly and Lunch for Y1, Y2, Y3
Tuesday 15 th February	Kingsholm Star Lunch for Y4, Y5, Y6
Wednesday 16 th February	Kingsholm Star Reception Tea
Thursday 17 th February	Parent's Consultation Evening 4:30 -7 pm
Monday 21 st February	Parent's Consultation Evening 3:30 -6:30 pm
	Half Term