

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 Forgiveness

'Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others' Colossians 3.13

Issue 2

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Dear parents/carers,

What an incredibly busy half term!

Our Y6 children have just finished their residential trip at the PGL centre in Liddington. It was certainly soggier than we had hoped it would be but it did not dampen the children's spirits. Well done all of you for being so encouraging towards each other and for trying new and exciting challenges. Your turn next year 5!

We have been delighted to see so many parents coming into school for the Wellbeing Workshops this term. Workshops have included yoga, mindfulness and dance (well done Y6 parents for staying in time) to name but a few. Wellbeing is our subject showcase this term, look out for more happening in school before the end of term.

Thank you to Year 5 for a wonderful Harvest Festival Worship and thank you to you all for your generous donations. Gloucester Foodbank have passed on their thanks and appreciation, as I'm sure you know the donations are very much needed. The Inclusion team have sent out both via School Ping and with the children a leaflet that signposts the many offers of support available in Gloucester should you need them. Please contact school if you would like to talk through the support options available should you need to. Next half term is always a favourite for many as we approach Christmas. Our annual Christingle Service will again be at Gloucester Cathedral and in the Oak Hall for our Nursery and Reception children. Be sure to check the school website for all upcoming events.

Kind regards

Matt Ferris, Headteacher

Hello, It's Ruby and Jude for another school update. We are really happy to be here and write to you once more. Do you remember last month we discussed children were voting for the charities? The votes have been counted and we are pleased to announce we will be supporting Gloucester Food Bank, Endangered Animals, Neurodiversity, Red Nose Day, Asthma and the National Deaf Children's Society. This month we've been discussing how we can make our school better including OPAL and outside activities. Keep smiling and remember our 5 ways to wellbeing.

Ruby and Jude – Prime Minister and Deputy 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.

Congratulations

We are delighted to announce that Mr Edwards and his wife welcomed the arrival of their baby girl.



Annual Flu Vaccinations

The flu consent forms have been sent out and thank you to everyone who has returned them. The dates of the flu vaccines are **Mon 5th, Tues 6th and Weds 7th 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.

Parents / Carers – Do you need help with your English?

If so, you are invited to come to our sessions on Mondays from 9am -11am.

For more information, please contact the school office.

Poppies

Poppies will be on sale for Remembrance Day during break times. If children can bring in a coin for a very worthy cause, it will be much appreciated.



BONFIRE LUNCH Friday 4th 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 £2.34.

National Child Measurement Programme

This will take place on Tuesday 1st November for Year 6 pupils only. A Schooling message has been sent with information 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.





SPORTS NEWS



The netball team have played their first match. It wasn't a win on this occasion however the team are continuing to build on their skills and teamwork. We have several matches coming up after half term. The football team have also played a few matches and are enjoying playing as a new team. Well done to everyone involved. Mrs Mountain – PE Lead

Come and Learn with your children

We are so pleased to be able to invite parents back into school and the children love having you in. The next sessions are:

Tuesday 1st Nov. - 9am for 1B
 Wednesday 2nd Nov. - 9am for 1E
 Thursday 3rd Nov. - 9am for 1C
 Monday 7th Nov. - 9am for Y5
 Thursday 10th Nov. - 9am for Y3
 Wednesday 16th Nov – 9am for Y4

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Deadline

The deadline is the 31st October. Apply online via the link below

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

New Winter Dinner Menu

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



Wellbeing Showcase

A great big thank you to everyone who has been able to attend the children's wellbeing sessions. We have thoroughly enjoyed having parents and carers back in school. The children have loved having their family members present and being able to take part in activities such as dance, making sensory water bottles, calming musical colouring sessions etc. Our next event is 'When I Grow Up' – which is a dress up day on **Friday 25th November**. Please see Class Dojo for more information.

Festive Fun - Friday 2nd December



Our wonderful Friends of Kingsholm are organising a special Christmas event at 3:15pm on Friday 2nd December to raise funds for the school. There will be Christmas crafts, storytelling and festive food.

In preparation for the festive fun, we are asking families to please collect and bring in pinecones. We will also be sending home a paper plate towards the end of November and please request 4 cakes/traybake pieces per family for a cake sale. Further information about this exciting event to follow. 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 2022 – 2023	Please note the new finishing times
Term 2: 31 st October 2022 – 16 th December 2022	School ends 1:15pm
Term 3: 4 th January 2023 – 17 th February 2023	School ends 3:15pm / 3:20 pm
Term 4: 27 th February 2023 – 31 st March 2023	School ends 1:15pm
Term 5: 17 th April 2023 – Friday 26 th May 2023	School ends 3:15pm / 3:20 pm
Term 6: 5 th June 2023 – Friday 21 st July 2023	School ends 1:15pm

Dates for your Diary 2022 – 2023

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

Monday 31 st October	Start of Term 2 - Gates open at 8:40am - 8:50am Secondary School Transfer deadline AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS restart
Tuesday 1 st November	Y6 NCMP – Height and Weight
Tuesday 1 st November	1B Family Phonics 9-10am Parents/carers invited to join their children
Wednesday 2 nd November	1E Family Phonics 9-10am Parents/carers invited to join their children
Thursday 3 rd November	1C Family Phonics 9-10am Parents/carers invited to join their children
Friday 4 th November	Bonfire Lunch and official opening of the School Library
Monday 7 th November	New Reception Parents Open Day 9:15am, 3:30pm and 7pm Y5 Whole class reading – parents and carers are invited to join their children
Tuesday 8 th November	Y4 School Trip to the Think Tank - Birmingham
Friday 11 th November	Y6 Remembrance Family Share 9am Oak Hall – Y6 parents are invited
Monday 14 th November	Y3 School trip to the Forest of Dean
Friday 18 th November	Non-Uniform Day - Raising Awareness for Endangered Animals (wear something brown, green or something with animals on it).
Tuesday 22 nd November	Y2 School trip to Warwick Castle
Friday 25 th November	'When I Grow Up Day' – Dress up as what job they would like to be (Part of the Wellbeing Showcase)
Week beginning 28 th Nov	LAST WEEK OF AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS