

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 3

November 2022

Dear parents/carers,

So, I think I can safely use the Christmas word now! The few weeks leading up to Christmas have always been a favourite of mine in school. There is a lovely buzz around the school with Christmas parties, discos, Explore Christmas at St Catharine's Church and of course our Christingle services. Y1 to Y6 will be heading up to Gloucester Cathedral for their Christingle service and it really is a wonderful event. Keep your eye on ClassDojo as pictures will be available there so you can share in this with us. Our Nursery and Reception children will have their Christingle service in school as usual and I'm sure it will, as always, be a special occasion for them. Christmas jumper week is the final week of term only, don't forget that any jumper with a bauble or some tinsel attached is just fine.

Our wellbeing showcase has absolutely been the highlight of the term, thank you to parents for coming in and supporting with yoga, dance and more where you could. Our careers day on Friday 25th November linked to our work with the children on aspirations – it has been a delight to talk with the children about what they would one day like to be. Thank you to the brave parents who have come into school to talk with the children about their careers, this was very well received.

Please keep your eye on the diary dates as we enter a busy part of the academic year, there is a lot going on. As always thank you to you as parents/carers for your support and thank you to the staff team for all the energy they put in that makes Kingsholm such a vibrant and exciting school.

Kind regards,
Matt Ferris, Headteacher.

Hello, it is us again! Did you miss us? In our latest meeting we have been discussing about healthy eating and how our school is great at making delicious, healthy meals every day. Also about how we can improve them. Guess what! IT'S NEARLY CHRISTMAS! Make sure to come to our Festive Friday Event and enjoy all our wonderful stalls, music and bakes! Young Voices will be singing some Christmas songs too. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and an exciting New Year!



Ruby and Jude – Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister

Christmas Discos

* **Reception & Yr 1** Wednesday 7th Dec, 4 - 5 pm

* **Yr 2 & Yr 3** Thursday 8th Dec, 4 - 5 pm
Both are in the Acorn Hall

Tickets £2.50 – Please pay on ParentPay or ask the office for a paypoint voucher to use at the

One Stop shop
(Refreshments included)



* **Yr 4 & Yr 5** Wednesday 7th Dec, 4:10pm – 5:10pm

* **Yr 6** Thursday 8th Dec, 4:10pm – 5:10pm
Both are in the Oak Hall

Tickets £2.50 – Please pay on ParentPay or ask the office for a paypoint voucher to use at the

One Stop shop
Refreshments available to buy.
(Please bring £1 maximum)

Christmas Jumper Week 12th – 16th December

This year we would like to give the children the choice of wearing a Christmas jumper or a decorated one with Christmas decorations every day during the last week of term, starting Monday 12th December. We will be using this as a chance to raise money for **Save the Children**. Donations can be made via parentpay or paypoint voucher.



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 2023.



Congratulations

We are delighted to announce Mrs Jeffreys and her husband and Mr Foulds-Byczok and his wife have both had baby boys. We are thrilled for them and wish them all the very best.



Goodbyes

We would like to wish Mrs Pugh all the very best for her new role as Headteacher. Your Kingsholm family will miss you.

GOODBYE

National Child Measurement and Vision Screening Programme for Reception Class

This will take place on Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th January. A letter will be coming home soon with further details.



Wellbeing Showcase

What an amazing month we have had with our showcase! It was amazing to introduce the children to Welby, our new wellbeing character, designed and named by the children. We have also introduced a 'Buddy Bench' on the playground as well as new 'Playground Buddies' from each class, to encourage friendships across year groups. We had a brilliant time at our 'When I Grow Up' day and everyone spoke wonderfully about their aspirations. Well done everyone!



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 13th January 2023



SPORT

We have had a number of great football and netball matches over this past term. With other exciting PE events scheduled this week! One is for the netball team who are going to Crypt school to be taught netball skills by some Year 11 children. The other is for Year 1 children taking part in a multi-skills Christmas event! They are both going to be so much fun for all the children involved!

Christmas LUNCH

Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 14th December. Children not entitled to universal or free school meals will be charged at £2.34.



End of Term

School finishes at **1:15pm** on Friday 16th December.

Cool Kids

Cool Kids closes at **2:30pm** on Friday 16th December.

Beginning of Term 3

School starts on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

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 - Please also see our school website calendar & SchoolPing Calendar

Friday 2 nd December	Festive Fun day 3:15pm – 4:15pm
Monday 5 th December	<u>CLUBS HAVE NOW FINISHED</u> apart from <u>YOUNG VOICES</u> this will be the last session of the year and the last rehearsal will be Monday 9 th Jan. Kingsholm Star Assembly 9am – 9:30 Star lunch for Y1, Y2 and Y3 Flu Immunisations Mon 5 th , Tues 6 th and Weds 7 th
Tuesday 6 th December	Adult Education Christmas Wreath Making 9am – 11am in Oak Hall Kingsholm Star lunch for Y4, Y5 and Y6
Wednesday 7 th December	Kingsholm Star Nursery and Reception Afternoon Tea EYFS / Reception Sing along 2:30pm-3pm Reception/Y1 Disco – 4 - 5pm Acorn Hall and Y4/Y5 Disco 4:10 – 5:10 Oak Hall
Thursday 8 th December	Years 1 - 6 Christingle Service at Gloucester Cathedral Y2/Y3 Disco – Acorn Hall 4-5pm and Y6 Disco – Oak Hall 4:10-5:10
Monday 12 th December	Christmas Jumper week starts for Save the Children
Tuesday 13 th December	Year 1 Nativity Performance 1:30pm please book seats via the google form sent through on SchoolPing
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Lunch Year 1 Nativity Performance 9:15am please book seats via the google form sent through on SchoolPing
Friday 16 th December	End of Term - School ends at 1:15PM (Cool Kids 2:30pm)
Tuesday 3 rd January	STAFF INSET DAY (School Closed)
Wednesday 4 th January	Term 3 Starts
Wednesday 11 th January	SATS Information for Parents at 9am & 2pm, Young Voices Concert