

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



**Kingsholm C of E Primary and Nursery School**

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**This term's value is Courage**

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or dismayed for the Lord your God is with you where you go."  
Joshua 1:9

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the Easter holiday I'd like to extend a huge thank you to you all for your support this term. There has been a huge amount going on in school and I am very aware of the organisation that goes into this for you all at home. There has been a steady stream of families joining their children for the D&T showcases, I didn't realise so many of you were as competitive as you are! There have been some exceptionally innovative paper tower designs that I am quite sure were solely the children's work 😊. World Book Day was once again a fun day for all, the children thoroughly enjoyed dressing up and taking part in the activities provided. Thank you to Denmark Road School for bringing a huge number of their pupils to Kingsholm to read with our children. In worship and lessons the children have been exploring the value courage and thinking about ways they can be courageous that perhaps they didn't realise. When we return after the holiday the value will be perseverance which we are looking forward to exploring with the children. Having seen so much excellent learning this term though, I do think this is a value many of our children already excel at.

Our sports teams have been incredibly successful this term with children taking part in new competitions such as bench ball with other Gloucestershire schools where we came second. A special well done to the KS1 girls who came first in the Gloucester KS1 girls football competition. There are certainly some budding lionesses amongst you. Finally a huge thank you to the children who represented the school in the Gloucester School's Partnership Shakespeare Festival and Speaking Out Competition. It really is wonderful to see so many of you speaking and performing with such confidence.

Kind regards, Matt Ferris, Headteacher

Hello, here we are again, hasn't this term flown by! In Pupil Parliament we have been talking about how we can make the Spiritual Garden even more special for the children and have lots of ideas. In our last meeting we met with Mr Ferris, shared our suggestions and talked about all the other topics we have discussed during the Spring Term. He talked about how everybody has different skills and how our brains work in different ways. He showed us lots of activities to try and we found we could all do some of them, but not all of them! We hope you all have a Happy Easter.

Ruby and Jude - Prime Minister and Deputy Minister

### **SPORT**

It has been a fantastic term for PE events this term. Girls from KS1 and KS2 took part in a Disney Challenge Football Festival. All the girls played superbly and our KS1 team came 1<sup>st</sup>. Well done to everyone who took part. The benchball team continued with great success by coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in their competition. If you want to see our trophies and certificates, please see the cabinet in the reception area! We are so proud of their achievements and we hope in the summer term we continue to encourage the children to enjoy taking part in sporting events.

### **DT SHOWCASE**

We are nearly at the end of our DT showcase and the children have certainly enjoyed it. Laura from 3GB said "The Trashion Show was my favourite part! It was so fun to dress up in clothes we actually made". We finished the term with Yr 6 enjoying a STEM workshop from Rebecca Bound (STEM ambassador) and Reception visiting Roots cafe to see a working kitchen. Yr 3 visited Gloucester Museum and were able to see the Eastgate chamber. This was spectacular and furthered their knowledge of the Romans. We had many entries to our 'Build It Gloucester' competition and it was difficult to choose winners. The Heritage Hub were involved in judging the competition and the winners and runners up are as follows: **James in 1C, Srihan in 4P, Siliang in 4FB, Zebedee in 5G, Raymond in 5B, Rosie in 6C and Sihong in 6E.** Thank you to everyone who entered the competition. We were really impressed by your creations. The winners/runners up will be displayed in the Heritage Hub along with learning created by children from the 'Mini Historian' university module.



The next showcase subject is..... **Geography**



In the Summer Term we will be geography (with languages and global learning mixed in too). We have a variety of incredibly exciting experiences, workshops and skills for both parents and children to take part in. As we are unable to take everyone on a trip around the world, the world is coming to us.

## Swimming for Year 5



Starting after Easter on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April the Year 5 children as part of the curriculum will start swimming classes at GL1.

Please can all the children in Year 5 bring with them a swimming costume / swimming shorts, a towel in a named bag every Monday. Children can also bring goggles and a swimming hat if they wish too.

## Friends of Kingsholm

We are hugely grateful to parents who are already supporting our Friends (PTA) group, but we could really do with more! The Summer Fete is fast approaching, and help is needed. Please talk to any of the Chairs, speak to the office or see Miss Field for information. Our next meeting will be on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April, if you would like to join us for coffee, please meet us in the Reception area after drop off at 9am.

## Easter Bonnett and Easter Card Competition

Thank you to everyone who took part. All the entries were fantastic and we can see how much work and attention to detail has been applied. The judges had a very difficult job.



New dinner menu – Please keep an eye on your school ping or the school website for a new summer menu.

## End of Term

Friday 31 March and collection of children is **1:10 / 1:15pm**

**Cool Kids will close at 2.30pm** on this day too.

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 via the school office.

| Term Dates for 2022 – 2023                                             |                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Term 4: 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023   | On the last day of term school ends at <b>1:15pm</b>           |
| Term 5: 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 | On the last day of term school ends at <b>3:15pm / 3:20 pm</b> |
| Term 6: 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023  | On the last day of term school ends at <b>1:15pm</b>           |

## Dates for your Diary 2022–2023 - Please also see our school website calendar & SchoolPing calendar

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March  | DT Showcase open classroom - Parents / carers invited from 2:45                                                              |
| Friday 31 March                  | <b>End of Term. School finishes at 1:15 / 1:20pm</b><br><b>Cool Kids closes at 2:30pm</b>                                    |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April    | Term 5 starts<br>Friends Meeting – 9am meet at the school office reception area<br>Y5 Swimming starts                        |
| Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April | Kingsholm Support, Advice and Community Fair 8:45 - 11am Oak Hall                                                            |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April    | Y5 Bikeability course starts<br>Y4 Violin lessons start                                                                      |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April   | Grammar School Information session for Y5 parents / carers invited 3:30pm                                                    |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May       | May Bank Holiday – <b>School Closed</b>                                                                                      |
| Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May      | Afterschool Clubs Start                                                                                                      |
| Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May    | Scholastic Book Fair starts                                                                                                  |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May       | Y3 trip to Pizza Express and there will be 2 further visits on the 14 June, 5 July.                                          |
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May       | Non Uniform Day – <b>Wearing something Purple</b> to raise awareness for Asthma                                              |
| Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May      | Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation – <b>School Closed</b>                                                                |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May      | Year 6 SATS week<br>Last Cheerleading Club<br>Walk to School Week                                                            |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May      | Friends Meeting 9-10:30<br>Kingsholm Star Assembly 9am<br>Kingsholm Star Lunch for Y1,2,3<br>Kingsholm Star Lunch for Y4,5,6 |
| Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May     | Kingsholm Star Reception / Nursery Tea                                                                                       |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May   | Kingsholm Family Picnic                                                                                                      |
| Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May      | End of Term – School ends at 3:15 / 3:20PM                                                                                   |