



KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 20th September 2024

DIARY DATES

Mon. 23.09.2024	Sapphire Class Forest School
Mon. 23.09.2024	Amethyst Trip South Cerney
Tues. 24.09.2024	Individual & Preschool Sibling School Photographs (Tempest Photography)
Fri. 27.09.2024	KPS Open Afternoon 1:30-4pm
Fri. 27.09.2024	<u>NO</u> after school clubs today (Dragonflies will still be on)
Tues. 01.10.2024	Sapphire Trip St Fagans Museum
Sat. 12.10.2024	Cross Country
Sat.16.11.2024	Cross Country
Sat. 07.12.2024	Cross Country
Sat. 18.01.2025	Cross Country
Sat. 08.02.2025	Cross Country (Back Up)

TOP TURTLES! Week commencing 16th September

Sophia B (Year R) - For her creativity and attention to detail in her Art work this week.

Minnie E (Year 1) - For confidently counting forwards to 30.

Rosie C (Year 2) - For challenging herself to spot our Phonics code in words.

Amie S (Year 3) - For your collaboration with others in lessons this week.

Harrie S (Year 4) - For challenging yourself in your writing.

Tillie-Mai L (Year 5) - For confident contributions in class.

Arthur T (Year 6) - For a mature approach and commitment to his learning in Year 6.

Head Teacher Hero

Our Head Teacher Hero this week is Julian for creating his own Coding Club. Well done Julian!



Important Information:

Forest School:

Sapphire Class will be going to Forest School on Monday 23rd September 2024.

Children will need to wear old clothes, coat, long trousers and a long sleeved top, with walking shoes or wellies. We will go regardless of the weather so please make sure they come prepared with sun cream/sun hat/woolly hat/scarf/gloves as appropriate to the temperature! They also need a set of school clothes to change into, in case they are very muddy/wet on their return.

Clubs—Friday 27th September

There will be no after school clubs (Cross Country/Lego Club) on Friday 27th September (with the exception of Dragonflies) due to the Open Afternoon.

School Photos

Tempest Photography will be in school on Tuesday 24th September. Can pupils please come into school in smart school uniform (they can bring their PE kits if they have PE that day).

If pupils have a pre school sibling and you would like a photo of them together then please arrive at 8am and Tempest can facilitate this for you.

PE Days:

Ruby— Friday (PM)

Emerald—Tuesday & Thursday

Sapphire—Monday & Tuesday

Amethyst— Thursday & Friday

Pupils can come into school in their PE kit, please note that PE kit needs to be appropriate (no cycling shorts etc).

Open Afternoon Friday 27th September 1:30-4pm

KPS will be holding an Open Afternoon on 27th September at 1.30-4pm. Please spread the word, we would love to see lots of new faces (and old). See our poster or contact the school office if you would like more information.

Important Information:

Free School Meals

If you are experiencing financial hardship, are receiving benefits or your circumstances have changed in a way that has negatively impacted your income you may be eligible to apply for Free School Meals. As well as receiving a free hot cooked meal each day, additional funding is given to the school which we can use to support your child's education, and help you cover additional costs such as trips, uniform and peripatetic music lessons.

If you think your child is eligible please do apply <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

If you apply and are unsuccessful and are struggling with costs please do speak to Mrs Pearcey or Mrs Collins. We understand the strain this can cause and will look into additional support where possible.

Please note Free School Meals (FSM) are means-tested, and not to be confused with Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) which **all** children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are entitled to. This is currently funded by the Government. If your child is now in Years 3 - 6 and not receiving means-tested Free School Meals you will need to pay for their dinners via ParentPay. Please ensure your account is in credit each week. If you have any queries please see the school admin team.

Cross Country: (Save the dates)

Saturday 12th October 2024

Saturday 16th November 2024

Saturday 7th December 2024

Saturday 18th January 2025

Backup date Saturday 8th February 2025

This season's races will again be held at Dursley Rugby Club in Stinchcombe, with support from both the rugby club and Dursley Running Club Juniors.



Kingswood School Association

Email: ksa@kingswood.gloucs.sch.uk

Facebook: Kingswood School Association – KSA

Dates for Your Diary

3pm Friday 27 th September	Happy Hour	School Playground
8pm, Wednesday 23 rd October	KSA Meeting	The Village Inn
4.30pm Friday 29 th November	Christmas Fair	School
8.30am Thursday 5 th December	Rags 2 Riches	Abbey Gateway

Happy Hour!



Fun & Games in the Playground

Friday 27th September,
3pm – 4pm

Come and find out more about the KSA.
Who we are, what we do, and how you can contribute.

Volunteers are required to help set-up (from 2.30pm) and run a stall during the hour. Please get in touch if you can support.



We are also looking for donations of baked goods to sell
Please bring them on to Reception on the day and include a list of ingredients.



Churches Together in Kingswood

Sunday 29th September 1pm



Harvest Picnic at the Allotments



Celebrate harvest with both village churches at the allotments. Bring a picnic and have some fun as we give thanks for all the food that has been grown to feed us. If you can, please also bring a donation of tinned food for the **Stroud District Foodbank**.



Museum in the Park's

BIKES THROUGH THE AGES

11am - 4pm



15 September 2024

Interactive exhibition!
Live e-bike demos!
Best dressed bike competition!
Fun, free family event!



SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS

2024/25



SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tues	3	10	17	24		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	5	12	19	26	
Wed	4	11	18	25		Wed	2	9	16	23	30	Wed	6	13	20	27	
Thur	5	12	19	26		Thur	3	10	17	24	31	Thur	7	14	21	28	
Fri	6	13	20	27		Fri	4	11	18	25		Fri	1	8	15	22	29
Sat	7	14	21	28		Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	2	9	16	23	30
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	3	10	17	24	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	6	13	20	27	Mon	3	10	17	24		
Tues	3	10	17	24	31	Tues	7	14	21	28	Tues	4	11	18	25		
Wed	4	11	18	25		Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed	5	12	19	26	
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Fri	6	13	20	27		Fri	3	10	17	24	31	Fri	7	14	21	28	
Sat	7	14	21	28		Sat	4	11	18	25		Sat	1	8	15	22	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26		Sun	2	9	16	23	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY							
Mon	3	10	17	24	31	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	5	12	19	26		
Tues	4	11	18	25		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	6	13	20	27	
Wed	5	12	19	26		Wed	2	9	16	23	30	Wed	7	14	21	28	
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Sat	1	8	15	22	29	Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	3	10	17	24	31
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	4	11	18	25	
JUNE					JULY					AUGUST							
Mon	2	9	16	23	30	Mon	7	14	21	28	Mon	4	11	18	25		
Tues	3	10	17	24		Tues	1	8	15	22	29	Tues	5	12	19	26	
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Sat	7	14	21	28		Sat	5	12	19	26		Sat	2	9	16	23	30
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	6	13	20	27		Sun	3	10	17	24	31

Term Time		Holidays	
Bank Holiday		INSET days	

Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2024
	26 th December 2024
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2025
Good Friday	18 th April 2025
Easter Monday	21 st April 2025
Early May Bank Holiday	5 th May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26 th May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25 th August 2025

Term 1: Mon 2 nd Sept – Fri 25 th Oct 2024	40 days
Term 2: Mon 4 th Nov – Fri 20 th Dec 2024	35 days
Term 3: Mon 6 th Jan - Fri 14 th Feb 2025	30 days
Term 4: Mon 24 th Feb – Fri 11 th Apr 2025	35 days
Term 5: Mon 28 th April – Fri 23 rd May 2025	19 days
Term 6: Mon 2 nd June – Mon 21 st July 2025	36 days
Total	195 days*

*195 days are defined as "School days". In the school year 2024/25 pupils must attend for 190 days. Schools may decide individually or collectively which 5 days in the year are INSET or non-contact days (days pupils do not need to attend).

Please Note: Schools considering alternative dates or considering changes to their school opening times may wish to contact our Transport Team to discuss transport implications and contact local childcare providers to discuss what impact this could have.