



KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Newsletter 12th December 2025

DIARY DATES

Mon. 15.12.2025	KS2 Carol Service
Thurs. 18.12.2025	School Christmas Lunch
Fri. 19.12.2025	End of Term 2
Mon. 05.01.2026	INSET Day
Tues. 06.01.2026	Start of Term 3
Sat. 17.01.2026	Cross Country Race



Kingswood School Association

Email: kasa@kingswood.gloucs.sch.uk
Facebook: Kingswood School Association – KSA

Dates for Your Diary

8pm, Thursday 15th January
KSA Meeting – all welcome
The Village Inn



Christmas Fair

A great evening of festive cheer! We raised over £800 which is amazing and will help the school in so many ways.

Well done to all of the Amethyst Craft Stall holders, and an extra special thank you to all the Elf-Helpers that helped out on the night.







Cheese & Craft Evening

A relaxing and indulgent evening of cheese nibbles and making festive centre pieces.



Rags 2 Riches

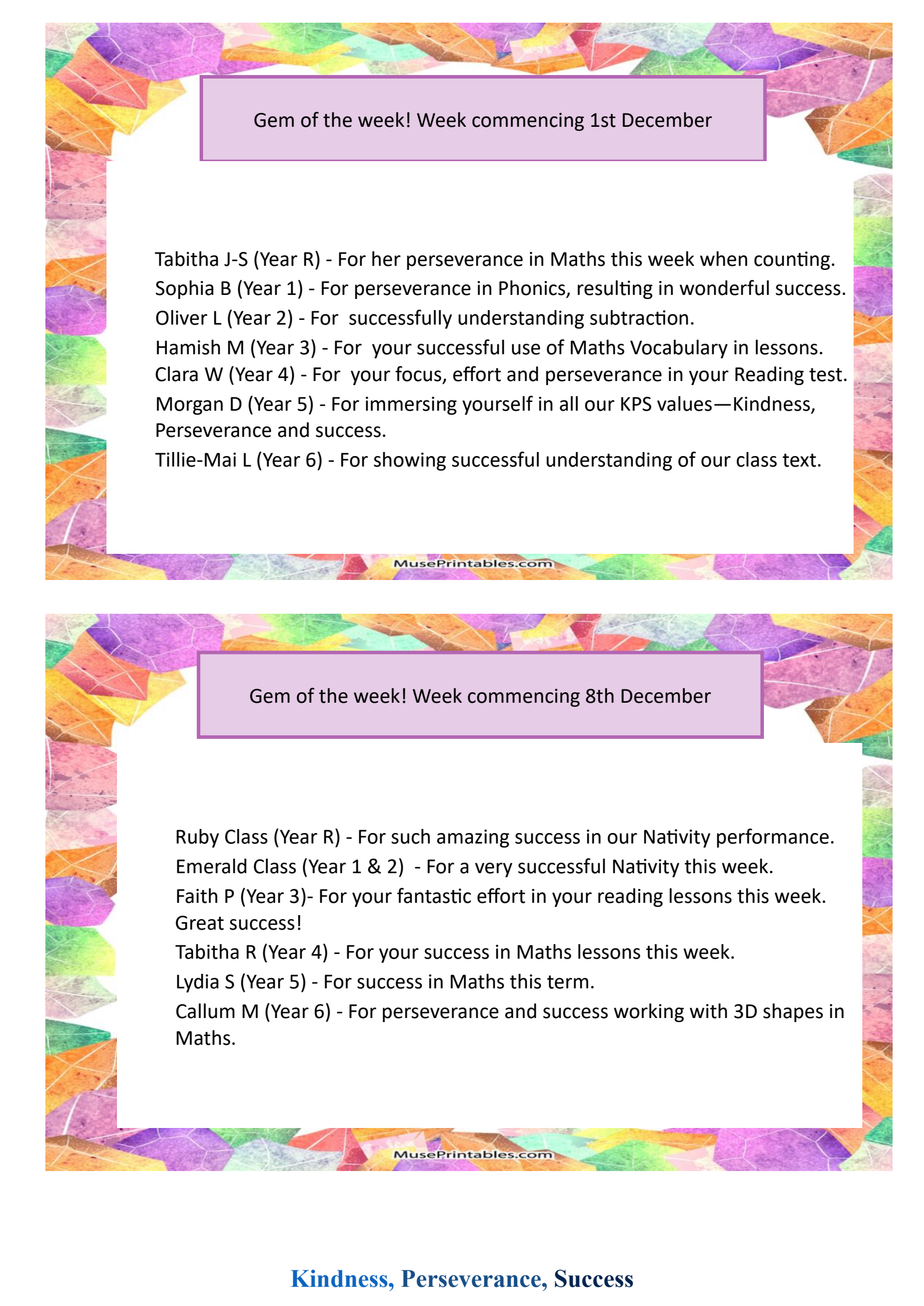
Once again, thank you for the clothing donations. Another collection is booked for 13th May.



Thank you for organising your collection with us today



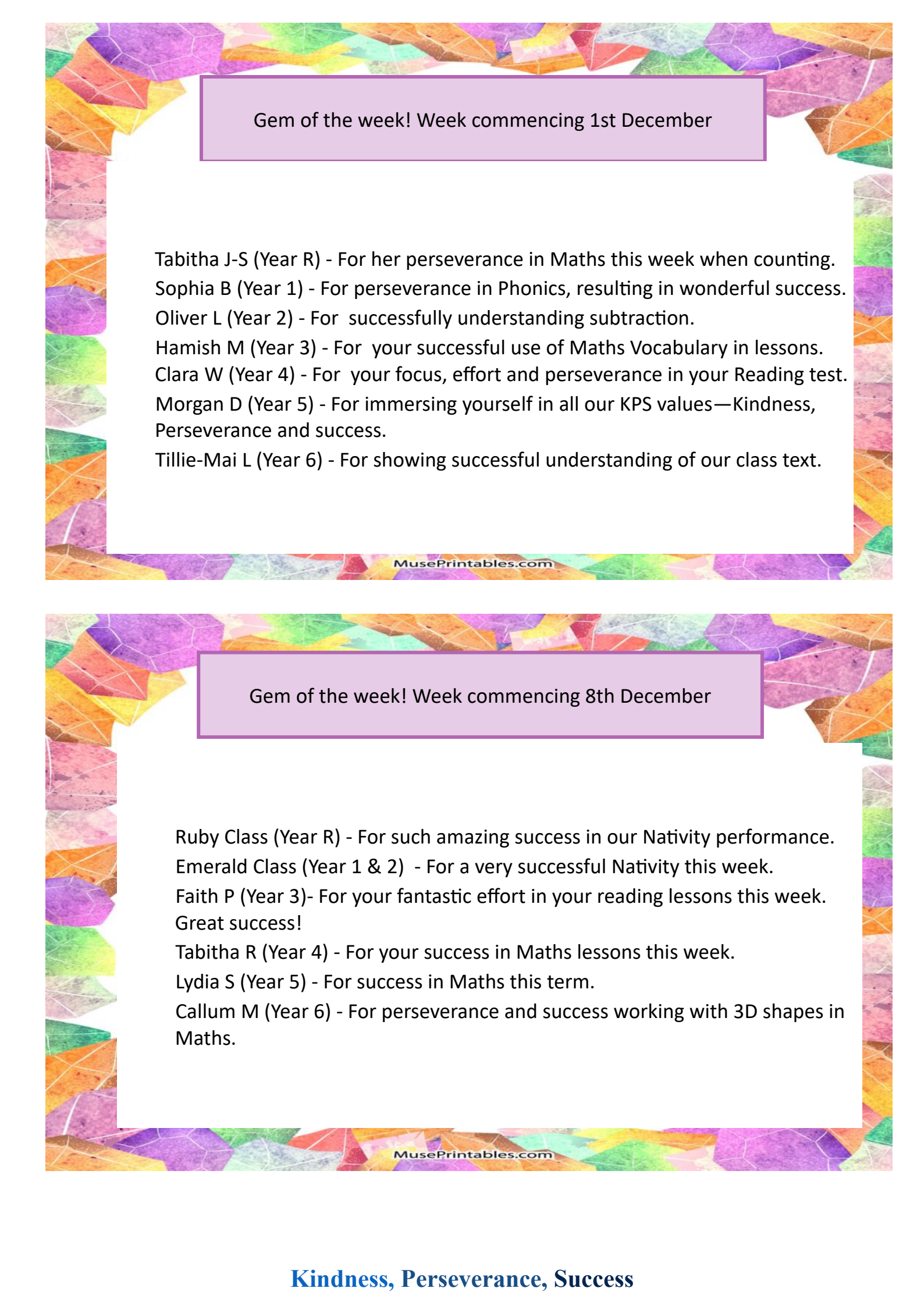
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Gem of the week! Week commencing 1st December

Tabitha J-S (Year R) - For her perseverance in Maths this week when counting.
Sophia B (Year 1) - For perseverance in Phonics, resulting in wonderful success.
Oliver L (Year 2) - For successfully understanding subtraction.
Hamish M (Year 3) - For your successful use of Maths Vocabulary in lessons.
Clara W (Year 4) - For your focus, effort and perseverance in your Reading test.
Morgan D (Year 5) - For immersing yourself in all our KPS values—Kindness, Perseverance and success.
Tillie-Mai L (Year 6) - For showing successful understanding of our class text.

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Gem of the week! Week commencing 8th December

Ruby Class (Year R) - For such amazing success in our Nativity performance.
Emerald Class (Year 1 & 2) - For a very successful Nativity this week.
Faith P (Year 3)- For your fantastic effort in your reading lessons this week.
Great success!
Tabitha R (Year 4) - For your success in Maths lessons this week.
Lydia S (Year 5) - For success in Maths this term.
Callum M (Year 6) - For perseverance and success working with 3D shapes in Maths.

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Are you interested in becoming a School Governor?

We are looking to recruit new members to join our dedicated team of School Governors. There are no particular qualifications required for the role and we would welcome interest from potential Governors of all backgrounds, so if you would like to support the school, are interested in ensuring that all pupils receive a high quality education in a safe and inclusive environment and in helping plan for its future development and improvement, please contact either Chair of Governors, Mike Brown: chair@kingswood.gloucs.sch.uk or Mrs Collins head@kingswood.gloucs.sch.uk for a conversation to find out more.

County Football Tournament:

Ten girls from Amethyst class represented our school at the County Inter-schools' girls' football tournament at Oxstalls sports park in Gloucester after winning the district tournament in September.

The girls worked well together and showed great resilience in very wet conditions!

Well done girls, we were very proud of you getting through to the county final.



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Free School Meals:

This Winter Holiday, Gloucestershire County Council will provide families in receipt of Free School Meals, who sign up to this offer, with vouchers to assist with food costs during the school holidays. [The vouchers are funded through grant funding we have received, and they are separate to that of term time free school meals.](#)

The scheme is for children in reception to year 11 who receive Pupil Premium (benefits-related) free school meals and attend a school in Gloucestershire. **We are unable to consider college and sixth form students, nor children who receive infant free school meals (available to all children from reception to year 2) - they are not eligible for this scheme.**

[Families who have signed up to the scheme or who are already registered will receive a total of £15 per child for one week.](#)

To find out more about the scheme and to apply, those wishing to find out more about eligibility and the scheme can do so by visiting our holiday free school meal voucher webpage here: [Holiday free school meal vouchers | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Families who have signed up previously do not need to re-register for the Winter holiday vouchers - they will already have been included. Families that have previously signed up will need to contact us with any changes to their circumstances (e.g. if the number of children eligible increases or decreases). To ensure we reach all those who are eligible, we are encouraging parents that have not previously signed up, to sign up as soon as they can.

[Please note we check eligibility for the scheme by cross-referencing with the term-time free school meal register, so please make sure parents are registered beforehand. They can register by visiting the apply for free school meals](#) page. If your school is one of the five that do not use this method, we will require confirmation from yourselves on the child's eligibility. You can find more information on what schools these are on the link above.

Using vouchers – vouchers will only be awarded once parents have registered for the scheme and cannot be backdated. Vouchers should be used in the holiday period in which they are awarded. If vouchers are not claimed and have expired, they cannot be re-issued. Vouchers not received should be queried via the Microsoft Form [HERE](#) by the end of the holiday period.

Christmas Tree Recycling

LONGFIELD Community Hospice

In Partnership with **Just Helping**

Collections 10th - 13th January
Registration Closes 6th January



Take the hassle out of disposing of your Christmas tree and have Longfield collect it for a voluntary donation.*

You will not only be helping reduce your carbon footprint but also supporting your community hospice providing Hospice at Home care and Wellbeing, Counselling and Bereavement Support for individuals facing a life-limiting condition.



*All or nearly over 80% of trees taken will go to Longfield Community Hospice with around 10% going to Just Helping charity and over 10% to other local charities.

just-helping.org.uk/register-tree
Registered Charity Number 298822



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Maintenance - Landscaping
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In 2025...

with the help of our volunteers, we recycled 4,100 Christmas Trees - preventing approximately 66,384 kg of CO₂ from being released into the atmosphere, which is equivalent to...

 1.3 Million cups of tea with milk being made	 24 Homes of average size powered for a year	 41 Flights From London to New York, return	 255,000 Miles driven around the UK
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85% of Longfield Hospice funding is made up from fundraising activity and donations. Without the support from individuals like YOU, we would be unable to deliver our FREE OF CHARGE Hospice care in Gloucestershire.

Consider supporting us this year with a voluntary donation.

Just Helping charity supports volunteers, businesses, and charities to contribute to their community and the environment. The national Christmas Tree collection raises essential funds for charities and communities.

Christmas JOY at St Mary's

Carol Service

Sunday 21st December 6pm



Carols on the Chipping

Monday 22nd December 6pm

Supporting Stroud District Foodbank



Churches Together in Kingswood
Bringing the love of Christ into our community

Crib Service

Christmas Eve 6pm

Specially for younger children



Christmas Service

Christmas Day 10:30



Join us for a glass of wine and mince pies after the service.



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SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS
2025/26
KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

Bank Holidays (school closed)	
Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2025 26 th December 2025
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2026
Good Friday	3 rd April 2026
Easter Monday	6 th April 2026
Early May Bank Holiday	4 th May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25 th May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 st August 2026

- Term 1: Mon 1st Sept – Fri 24th Oct 2025
- Term 2: Mon 3rd Nov – Fri 19th Dec 2025
- Term 3: Mon 5th Jan - Fri 13th Feb 2026
- Term 4: Mon 23rd Feb – Fri 27th Mar 2026
- Term 5: Mon 13th April – Fri 22nd May 2026
- Term 6: Mon 1st June – Mon 20th July 2026

The school is open for children to attend 190 days per year. The school is closed to pupils on the days marked for INSET and holidays.