



KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 9th January 2026

DIARY DATES

Sat. 17.01.2026	Cross Country Race
Tues. 10.02.2026	KSA AGM

Staffing Update

Following the departure of Mrs Amy Skuse, we have appointed two Learning Partners; Miss Grace Ferris to support specific children within the school and Mrs Nicola Stacey as a Learning Partner based in Sapphire Class. This term Mrs Laura Stocker will be teaching in Emerald Class every Wednesday.

We are currently recruiting a lunchtime supervisor. If you have an hour or two per week to spare, we would love you to come and work with us! We currently need cover on a Tuesday and Friday 12-1pm.

Even if you could only commit to one day per week, we would welcome you to the team. Feel free to pop into the office for a chat with Julie for more details or check the school website. Please be aware of the following: The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This position is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Governor Update:

We received two nominations for parent governors and Mrs Alex Kemp and Mr Joe Cooper have been appointed to our governing body in this role. Mrs Sarah Connor will remain on the board as a co-opted governor.

Internet Safety:

The Children's Commissioner - Dame Rachel de Souza- has contacted primary schools to share this excellent resource below. Please do take the time to click on the link and read through the guidance for parents and carers.

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>

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Gem of the week! Week commencing 5th January

Ross M (Year R) - For showing perseverance in Phonics and reading group this week.

Max P (Year 1) - For success in Maths by always listening and having a go.

Jacob S (Year 2) - For perseverance in all subjects, leading to great successes.

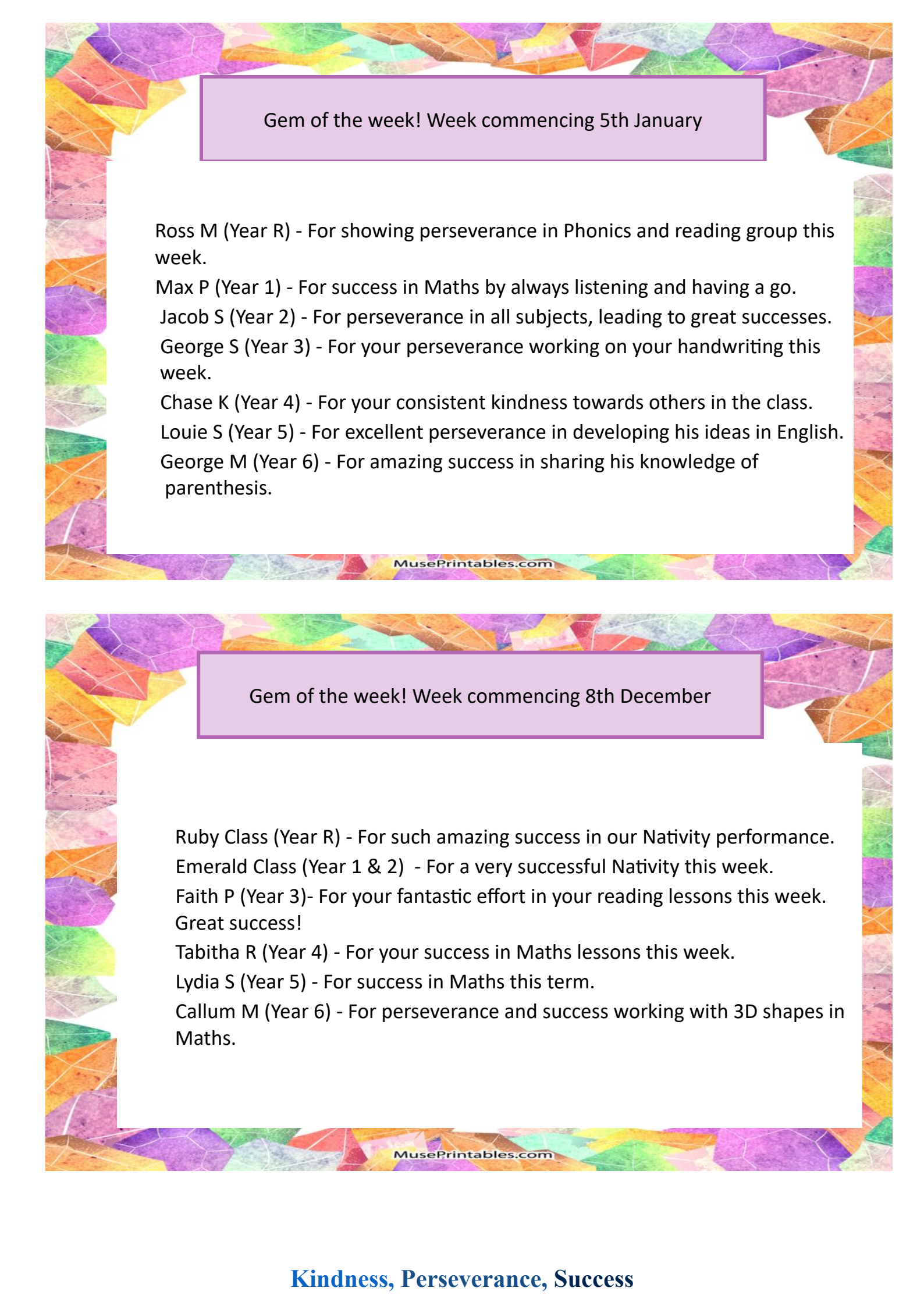
George S (Year 3) - For your perseverance working on your handwriting this week.

Chase K (Year 4) - For your consistent kindness towards others in the class.

Louie S (Year 5) - For excellent perseverance in developing his ideas in English.

George M (Year 6) - For amazing success in sharing his knowledge of parenthesis.

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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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Dragonflies

Happy New Year to you all! We hope you all had a good Christmas and made some fun family memories.

Before Christmas we had a busy time making our items for the KSA Christmas fair. We sold gift tags, candy cane reindeers, reindeer food and reindeer cakes the children successfully made £30. The children have suggested buying some more fidget toys with the money.

During the last couple of weeks before Christmas the children enjoyed a bingo night, a colouring competition and some Christmas crafts including sewing stockings and making chocolate candy cane hearts. At breakfast club the children enjoyed the Christmas special decorating their own Santa pancakes.

This term our craft activities will be based around the theme of snow and ice.

During January and February we are also going to be trialling some activities for the UK Health Security Agency. The activities have been developed to be used in after-school clubs to educate young people in a fun interactive way about how to prevent infections and the proper use of antibiotics. Prior to starting the activities and at the end the children will complete a short questionnaire as a group and the staff will give feedback on what we think about the various activities. Hopefully the children will enjoy the activities and learn something from them.





Kingswood School Association

Email: ksa@kingswood.gloucs.sch.uk

Facebook: Kingswood School Association – KSA

Dates for Your Diary

8pm, Thursday 15 th January	KSA Meeting – all welcome	The Village Inn
8pm, Tuesday 10 th February	KSA AGM	School

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**8pm, Tuesday 10th February
at School**

Come and have a chat about the KSA: who we are, what we do and how you could help. Followed by the AGM:

- Report of Accounts
- Chair's Report
- Election of Committee Members (CHAIR / TREASURER / SECRETARY)

A copy of the constitution and description of roles are available on request.



GET INVOLVED!

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS

2026/27

KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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

Term Time	Holidays
Bank Holiday	Inset

Term 1: Tue 1 st Sept – Fri 23 rd Oct 2026	39 days
Term 2: Mon 2 nd Nov – Fri 18 th Dec 2026	35 days
Term 3: Mon 4 th Jan - Fri 12 th Feb 2027	30 days
Term 4: Mon 22 nd Feb – Thur 25 th Mar 2027	24 days
Term 5: Mon 12 th April – Fri 28 th May 2027	34 days
Term 6: Mon 7 th June – Wed 21 st July 2027	33 days
Total	195 days*

Christmas Bank Holidays	25 th December 2026
	26 th December 2026
New Year Bank Holiday	1 st January 2026
Good Friday	26 th March 2027
Easter Monday	29 th March 2027
Early May Bank Holiday	3 rd May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 st May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 th August 2027

*195 days are defined as "School days". In the school year 2026/27 pupils must attend for 190 days, with schools choosing five INSET days for training.



Thank you

For your support throughout 2025.

You collected 74kgs of food donations, which have made a huge difference to local people in crisis across the Stroud district..

