



**KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**WEEKLY NEWS**  
**FOR THE WEEK - 03/01/2022 - 07/01/2022**  
**Christmas Break 20/12/2021 - 03/01/2022**



<b>M O N D A Y</b> 3rd	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>  <b>CHILDREN NOT IN SCHOOL</b>
<b>T U E S D A Y</b> 4th	<b>Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only)</b> <b>7.30am - 8.45am &amp; 3.15 - 6.00pm</b>  <b>No Clubs</b>
<b>W E D N E S D A Y</b> 5th	<b>Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only)</b> <b>7.30am - 8.45am &amp; 3.15 - 6.00pm</b>  <b>No Clubs</b>
<b>T H U R S D A Y</b> 6th	<b>Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only)</b> <b>7.30am - 8.45am &amp; 3.15 - 6.00pm</b>  <b>No Clubs</b>
<b>F R I D A Y</b> 7th	<b>Wrap Around Care (pre-booked only)</b> <b>7.30am - 8.45am &amp; 3.15 - 6.00pm</b>  <b>No Clubs</b>

## NOTES FOR PARENTS / GUARDIANS

- 1. Note from the Head** - *It has been lovely returning to school this week and seeing all of the children back working hard in their classrooms. Yet again, it has been a difficult time over the last three weeks to ensure we are navigating our way to try and keep all the festive events happening, as well as trying to keep everyone safe in the run up to the Christmas holidays. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those parents and carers who have supported us over this time, and beyond, with the decisions we have made and the solutions we have tried to put in place. The many emails of kind words, understanding and support have been appreciated and passed on to all staff. The children have been extremely excited and enjoyed their Christmas dinner, Christmas jumpers/songs, Christmas craft-making, Christmas Carol Service, The Nativity and this morning the Christmas Pantomime the 'Snow Queen', all-in-all making it a busy, fun and festive last week of school. We hope the festivities continue over the next two weeks and we wish you all a safe merry Christmas and happy new year with your family. We will see you in 2022, Mrs Sanchez*
- 2. A valued member of staff** - *I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some information regarding Mrs Groves. I know some parents have been asking about her. Unfortunately, she has had to leave Kingswood due to personal circumstances but I have been unable to share this with you until now. It is with great sadness that Simon Groves, Mrs Groves's husband, passed away peacefully due to a very rare and incurable cancer on the 15th September. Throughout the last year, Simon fought bravely with many health challenges. The cancer was known as mesothelioma, which is an extremely rare cancer that is caused by exposure to asbestos. In the following terms, we will be conducting a fundraising day to raise money for the charity that Mrs Groves has set up in memory of her husband. We know that Mrs Groves and her two children would be extremely proud of their efforts to raise as much as they can in the hope that future families might be saved from the heartbreak of losing a loved one. We will let you know when this is planned for later on in the school year. I know you will join us in sending our thoughts to Mrs Groves and her family at this time. Thank you, Mrs Sanchez.*
- 3. Google Classroom accounts** - *Could we impress that passwords should NOT be changed for your child/ren's google classroom account at home - even when prompted. This account cannot be accessed by the class teacher if you change it yourself and passwords then need to be reset at an alternative time. Children also cannot access their account if passwords are changed at home as we will have no record of the change. Thank you.*



4. **Caterlink Online Payments** - A reminder that payment for school meals must be made online from 4<sup>th</sup> January - we will no longer be able to accept cash/cheque payments at school. Please set up your online account with Caterlink as per our previous email using your child's individual registration details. If you have any queries or problems setting up, please contact Caterlink directly at [meals@caterlinkltd.co.uk](mailto:meals@caterlinkltd.co.uk)



5. **Term Dates** - As you will have seen in Miss Hickling's letter, there has been an alteration to the School Academic Year 2021-22 due to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration. Please find attached confirmation of term dates for the remainder of this school year.



6. **Thank you's** - A big thank you to Mr Roper and his company, Zircon Air Conditioning, for donating £500 and also to Mr Crawford and his company, Trustek, for donating £250 to the Friends of Kingswood Primary School. The donations will go towards school equipment and resources and are very gratefully received.



7. **No Glass Bottles!** - A reminder that only plastic or metal water bottles should be brought in to school - they must only contain water - no juice please! Thank you for your cooperation.



8. **Save The Children** - Thank you for your kind donations on Christmas Jumper Day. I am pleased to advise you that we raised £60.70 for Save the Children.



9. **Bertie's Big Cut** - Some of you may already know about Bertie Hayward's charity fundraiser which we are very pleased to support. Bertie is raising money for Demelza Hospice Care for Children in memory of his dear friend Zak Hammond. Bertie's Haircut is taking place at half time of Bearsted FC's home game on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 3.45pm. We hope that you will help Bertie reach his goal. For further details please see the link below.

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Hannah-Hayward11?utm\\_source=Sharethis&utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=Hannah-Hayward11&utm\\_campaign=pfp-email&utm\\_term=6ed58a88d1e14048945a8c929bad6241](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Hannah-Hayward11?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=Hannah-Hayward11&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=6ed58a88d1e14048945a8c929bad6241)



10. **Letters** - The following letters have been emailed home this week: -

All

Weekly Letter from Executive Headteacher \*

Letters marked \* can be viewed on the school website [kingswoodkentsch.co.uk](http://kingswoodkentsch.co.uk) in the 'Parents/ Letters Home' section.

**AND FINALLY, THE  
STAFF AT KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO WISH YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILIES A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
SEEING YOU NEXT YEAR FOR A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS 2022!**

