

NEWSLETTER 9 – 19th December 2017



We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a very 'Happy Christmas'.

All of the staff wish to say a huge 'Thank you' for all the very kind gifts they have received.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Wednesday 3rd January 2018.

Have a wonderful break!



Stars in our Schools – Watford 2017

I am thrilled to let you know that Gosia was one of 10 runner-ups to receive a special prize as a 'Star in our School'. Over 40 schools in Watford entered this competition, so we are all extremely proud of Gosia.

The children love their 'Gosia time' as she prepares lots of exciting activities and experiments! Gosia has boundless energy and enthusiasm and is always volunteering to do even more!



Sam, Tina H and Zuzana were also nominated and presented with a certificate!
Well done everyone – we are very proud of all our staff and think you are all stars!



Kingswood Nursery School is full from January 2018

Just to let everyone know that we are full in Nursery and Pre-School from January 2018. Please note this means there is no flexibility for anyone who asks us if their child can swap days or have an additional session in class or at lunch club.

Admissions into Kingswood Nursery class – September 2018

Admission into a Nursery class will no longer be co-ordinated by Herts County Council. Each parent/carer will need to apply directly to the setting of their choice. Kingswood Pre-School parent/carers have been sent a pack with full details.

We would urge you to complete these quickly as we give priority to those currently in our Pre-School and in order that the applications are received. MORNING PLACES ARE GOING FAST!

<http://kingswood.herts.sch.uk/publication/view/kingswood-nursery-application-for-nursery-admissions-september-2018-intake>

The following dates are available for parents/carers to visit the Nursery class:

- Monday 29th January 10am
- Tuesday 6th February 2pm
- Wednesday 21st February 10am

Please phone the office if you would like to reserve a place.
01923 672531

Reception Place applications must be in by Monday 15th January 2018!

If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 you must apply online for your child's place. If you do not apply on time it is far less likely that you will get a school of your choice.

Hertfordshire County Council have asked us to promote;

The Families First Portal (<http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/familiesfirst>)

This is a website which helps Hertfordshire families find:

Information, advice and guidance on local and national services for families, parents or carers.

For example;

Information on childcare, health and wellbeing, parenting, keeping safe, young people, parenting courses, money advise, SEND Local Offer etc.

Many of the services are free for families to access and is accessible on mobile devices.

**Holiday Family Learning challenge –
theme of 'Giving'.**

**Tell us about an activity your
child/family has done linked to the
theme of giving!**

*Maybe a gift, your time, help you have
given*

We look forward to receiving these in January.

SPRING TERM 2018 Forthcoming events for parents and families:

Date	Time	Event	Place
Tues 9 th January	10-10.45	Baby Rhyme Time re-starts	Staffroom
Monday 15 th January	11am and 12.30pm	Singing and Story sessions with your child. Come along and hear story time and join in with some singing!	Nursery and Pre-School classrooms
Wednesday 24 th January	10.30 – 11.30am 12.30 – 1.30pm 6 – 7pm	'The Writing Journey Workshops – ways to support your child to become a writer' Workshops for parents	Staffroom
Thursday 8 th February	8.30 - 10am 12.30 – 2pm	'Becoming a Writer' open sessions for parents and carers. Come along and join your child in their play and see the curriculum in action.	Inside and outside classrooms
HALF TERM 12th – 16th February 2018			
'Extreme Writing' – Home Learning Challenge			
Friday 23 rd February	11am and 12.30pm	Singing and Story sessions with your child. Come along and hear story time and join in with some singing!	Nursery and Pre-School classrooms
w/b 26 th February	11am and 3pm	Parents invited into school to read to children.	Nursery and Pre-School classrooms
Thursday 1 st March	WORLD BOOK DAY – come to school dressed as your favourite character.		
Friday 2 nd March	5.30-6.30pm	Bedtime Story session – come dressed in your pyjamas and bring your teddy!	Nursery classroom
Friday 9 th March Mother's Day celebrations – for Mums and Nannies.	8.30 - 10am 12.30 – 2pm	Creativity open sessions. Come along and join your child in their play and see the curriculum in action.	Nursery and Pre-School classrooms
w/b 19 th March	Nursery Spring Term parent consultations. Pre-School on-going		

SPRING TERM 2018

January 2018	
Wednesday 3 rd January	TERM STARTS – children in school
February 2018	
Monday 12 th February - Friday 16 th February	HALF TERM
March 2018	
Thursday 29 th March	END OF TERM open 10-12pm
April 2018	
EASTER BREAK FRIDAY 30th MARCH – FRIDAY 13th APRIL	

SUMMER TERM 2018

April 2018	
Monday 16 th April	STAFF TRAINING DAY - closed
Tuesday 17 th April	TERM STARTS
May 2018	
Monday 7 th May	School closed – May Day
Monday 28 th May – Friday 1 st June	HALF TERM
July 2018	
Friday 20 th July	END OF TERM open 10-12pm

