



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Discussion of the Week

Australia Day today has been a great success. The children in Key Stage 2 took part in four rotation activities in their house teams, enabling them to get more of an understanding of the challenges that have been happening in Australia over recent weeks and have been incredibly engaged in this work. It is great to see children being so proactive in caring about the future and the world around them. This is an important aim of our curriculum at Kings Copse. Our children are tomorrow's generation and we want them to be confident, articulate individuals who are invested in caring about their future. The children voted on the charity they wanted the funds donated to be sent to. The overall winning charity was the New South Wales Rural Fire Service which will receive a fantastic £327.89. Thank you for your help with enabling the children to take part in this.

This has been an important week in our school. We have had the annual visit from the local authority who works with us to ensure that we are continuing to develop the learning and teaching in classes to ensure we are creating provision for children to be the best that we can. I am delighted to be able to share that this was a really positive experience for us, and Miss Hewitt and I were privileged to be able to share the good work that goes on in all of our classes. This process helps us to shape our ongoing priorities and ensures that we continue to focus on the right things. I am proud of what we have achieved in our school and would like to thank all of the staff for their continued hard work and effort focusing on improving.

### Class assembly – Y3

Y3 have taken the class assembly baton with enthusiasm and continued to showcase some of the amazing work they have done since the start of the year. They have grown in confidence during their first half of their first year in Key Stage 2, which was shown in their performances. Conversations in French, netball skills, super writing based on A Christmas Carol and Tin Forest as part of the rainforest topic. Also, lightning fast times tables knowledge was also shared, along with a punctuation dance! There is no end to your talents Y3! Well done!

### Parent Forum

Thanks to those parents who were able to drop in to Parent Forum today. I appreciate your input in shaping how we work together in the future. Suggestions made by parents today include: rethinking times and days of meetings, along with adding a suggestions box in the office and giving advanced notice of what each meeting will be about. We also discussed changing the name to be 'Family Forum', as other family members are very welcome to attend too. We will continue to try to find more effective ways of involving more of you so that we can keep the dialogue open between home and school.

### Sickness bugs

I have heard that sickness bugs are circulating locally, but not in our school. We will monitor this carefully and would advise that for any guidance managing this, you refer to <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/diarrhoea-and-vomiting/> for advice.

Have a good weekend.

*Hayley Ferguson*

**When have you had to be resilient?**

### Birthday of the Week



Edward J Smith  
1850 - 1912

## Golden Tickets

Ethan, Campbell, Camille,  
Lexi, Ophelia & Annabel

## Merits

**Silver** – Sophia W (Y3)

**Gold** – Kobi C (Y4)

**Opal** – Lilly-Mae – (Y5)

**Well Done!**

### Dates for Diary

**6<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Y6 Class Assembly  
2.30pm followed by  
work sharing

**13<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Y2 Class Assembly  
2.30pm followed  
by work sharing

**17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> Feb** – Half Term

**24<sup>th</sup> Feb** – INSET DAY

### Message from the Office

Please could you make sure that your child's dinner money and any breakfast club money is paid for in advance.

**Thank You**

**This Week's Winning Team**

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