



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November

Discussion of the Week

Thank you for such a rapid response to our Christmas lunch letters. A huge stack were returned on Monday morning this week. I know staff as well as children will be looking forward to this! Staff and children are also continuing to make the best of continued challenges this week by remaining focused on learning. As Lockdown 2.0 progresses, the children remain in contact only with children and staff from their own bubble. This makes it impossible for them to spend time with other people from other year groups, know what they have been doing, and spend time with others. Additionally, children have to remain in their own zones for playtime and lunchtime, which continues to be very different from our 'normal'. Under the circumstances, they are doing well, but with the added level of normal tiredness for this time of the autumn term, you might notice your child being different from how you would normally expect. Please do let us know if you are worried or if there is anything we can do to try to support with this. We are talking about this a lot in school and working hard to try and support everyone. It is certainly helpful to talk and share what helps each other in these difficult times. We have been incredibly lucky so far in terms of our school management of COVID and we will continue to do the same things, refining where necessary.

**Baby news!** On Monday at 6.48am, Miss Smith gave birth to her baby boy. Luca arrived weighing 8lb 9oz. Mum and baby are doing well and I am sure you will join us in sending our congratulations to Miss Smith and her family.

**Traffic around school** I have received a complaint from a resident this week that the roads surrounding our school are congested, with parents parking un safely. Whilst it is not possible for us to police this, can I urge you please to be considerate to our neighbours, not blocking driveways or pathways when you are dropping off and picking up children. The Park and Stride at Norman Rodaway is very close by and an easy place to leave your car as you escort your child to school.

**Parents Evenings** Dates have been uploaded to the public calendar – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. We will be running video calls on these two dates from 3.30 – 7, enabling meetings to be booked. Early next week we will be sending you instructions for how to book these and how to access the calls. I know this will be different to how we have done things before, but we are hopeful that this will be a valuable way of discussing how well your child is progressing since the start of the autumn term.

Have a great weekend.

*Hayley Ferguson and Team Kings Copse*



## Birthday of the Weeks



**Robert Louis Stevenson**

**1850 - 1894**

## 10 Golden Tickets

Thea, Sophia, Nate, Denise  
**(Pinecones)**

## Merits

**Bronze** – Thia Y2

**Ruby** – Eden Y4

**Sapphire** – Lara Y4

**Diamond** – Christopher Y6

**Emerald** – Lilly-Mae & Theo Y6

**Granite** – Florence H Y6

**Amethyst** – Holly Y6

**Summer Reading Challenge** –  
Lucien (Y2)

# Well Done!

**INSET dates 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021**