



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Discussion of the Week

Week 5 has flown by with continued hard work. The catch up curriculum we are implementing is carefully structured around a weekly process of gradually introducing learning objectives from the current year group. For example, if your child is in Y4, the curriculum for maths and English is based around revision of Y3 objectives, with a gradual weekly increase of the Y4 content. This is very carefully managed and assessed by our team of staff who monitor continuously and ensure children are given support when it is needed. In our Acorn, Conker and Pinecone classes (YR/1), teaching time is based around the Early Years curriculum for the majority of the time. Y1 children are being taught other national curriculum subjects too through the course of each week and have been participating in discrete phonics lessons also, in order that gaps are filled from the previous year as well as new content being taught at age appropriate levels. Next week, we will be sending you our newly revamped curriculum newsletters so that you know what is being taught this term.

Staff teams are also monitoring the access to Google Classroom. Children are being taught (from Y2 above) how to access tasks and submit them online. At the last count, only 7 children across Y3 – 6 have not yet accessed this. Over the coming weeks we are being trained in additional ways of using this software, as well as other aspects of the Google suite so that we can refine how our online provision will be managed if a child/family/bubble has to self-isolate. Thank you for your help with making sure that we can provide an effective online provision if in the event of needing to close any bubbles due to a positive case. Please do feed back to us if you are having difficulties accessing Google Classroom so that we can try to help.

Meet the Teacher PowerPoints have been shared with all families now through *Google Classroom and by email*. Please let us know if you have any further questions following viewing these. The [Yxteacher@kingsapps.co.uk](mailto:Yxteacher@kingsapps.co.uk) email addresses are an efficient way of making contact with the teacher.

Our bubble arrangements continue to be working well. This does prevent us opening as normal, but this continues to be necessary. From October half term, we intend to begin to experiment with running clubs as bubbles. This will begin with Y5 and Y6 separate football clubs, run by Mr Rowland. If your child would like to take part in this, the letter is coming home today.

**Site manager vacancy** – we presently have a vacancy for a site manager for 25 hours a week. Please spread the word to anyone who the role might be suitable for. We are very happy to talk to any interested individuals.

**New YR places.** If your child is turning 5 in the year 2021 – 22, we will be promoting our school in a different way, without the usual meeting and tours. We will be in touch very soon about this once the project is underway, organised and run by our Y6 children.

*Hayley Ferguson and Team Kings Copse*

**"What is respect?"**

**"Kindness." said the mole.**

**Keira (Y2)**



## Birthday of the Week



**John Lennon**

**1940 - 1980**

This week in assemblies we have been discussing The Beatles and how this famous British band influenced music through history.

## Merits

**Silver** - William (Y3)

**Ruby** – Nati (Y4)

**Emerald** – Lucy (Y6)

**Granite** – Andrew (Y6)

**Well Done!**

## Dates for Diary

21<sup>st</sup> October – School Photos

Individual ones only

## Outstanding Dinner and Breakfast

### Club Money

Please make sure that any outstanding balances are paid and that if your child is having a dinner please can it be paid for in advance.

Thank you

## Harvest Collection

Hedge End Food bank are continuing to collect all of their usual products. They have asked particularly for tinned meat/fish/vegetable alternatives. We are happy to donate whatever you have available. **Thank you!**

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