

EASTER HOLIDAY SPECIAL EDITION

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Dear Parents

I hope you and your families are keeping healthy and safe during the lockdown.

In keeping with our KHS ethos, we felt it would be a lovely idea to keep up a weekly newsletter during the holiday and garner a great team spirit in the face of a difficult situation.

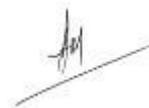
You can also access a daily KHS challenge by checking the school Twitter-feed and Facebook page every morning, which should provide a useful but enjoyable addition to your daily routine.

At present, teaching and support staff are working hard in preparation for Phase 2 of the KHS home-learning experience and it is my intention to provide more information in this regard after the Easter weekend. Thank you to all my staff for working through the holiday!

Overleaf, you will find a beginner's set-up guide for Microsoft Teams which we will start to use in earnest next term to supplement our e-lessons. All boys in Year 5 upwards should have access to this platform via their school email account and in due course all boys in Lower Prep will be given a school email address as well so that their parents will be able to do likewise. Please do spend time ensuring that Teams is installed properly at home – there will inevitably be some teething problems but nothing ventured, nothing gained!

Please do also keep a weather eye-out for my HM [video blogs](#) each Friday on the school Instagram and Twitter accounts. Have a relaxing weekend!

Yours sincerely



Duncan Murphy



Congratulations—Grandma Witts!

Many congratulations to Sally Witts, Bursar, and family upon the birth of baby Max, yesterday evening. Max weighed in at 3.9kg and both mother and baby are happy and healthy. For some time, Sally has had the informal nickname of 'grandma' at school due to her wealth of advice for younger members of staff - now she is a grandma for real! We are all delighted for her.



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Microsoft Teams

Parents and boys, we have found the following guide to setting up and using Microsoft Teams. Please click [here](#)

It is just under 9 minutes long and definitely worth a close look; some of you may already be familiar with the platform with your remote working, or working from home office solutions. We intend to use this method for augmenting our e-curriculum next term, for as long as the government advises on school closures.

Your son's school email details and password are found on **page 3 in his Prep Diary** and should have been working the last week of 'term' when he was learning and working at home. Pupils in the Lower Prep should have an email set up shortly. Please await further information.

We will be in touch again after the Easter weekend with further details about timetabling and try to answer any questions you may have about the start of next term. In the meanwhile, please try to rest and relax at home—it is the Easter holiday period after all!

We hope many of you already follow our social media accounts, but, if not, now is definitely the time to start! We will be aiming to post daily fun challenges on Twitter and Facebook and then repeat the information at the end of the week in this, our 'Special Holiday Edition' Newsletter, that will be sent to all families in the usual way via Parentmail.



Please feel free to get other family members involved—the challenges will be appropriate for all ages—and even share with your own extended family; tap into all that generational knowledge and give the boys something to 'Face Time' their cousins and grandparents about! Some of the challenges will be subject specific quizzes, others more practical tasks; we have sourced them from all from reliable sources over the internet and will provide links where appropriate should you wish to go off as a family and explore further. Do post and upload any photos of your completed challenges, if appropriate.

We hope you don't regard this contact as too invasive in what is essentially your 'holiday' time, but we feel strongly about retaining connectivity between us all and our wider school community whilst maintaining a school identity.

Please do email any thoughts and comments to marketing@kingswoodhouse.org—we are always ready to listen...

**we're
ALL IN THIS
together!**

SPELL YOUR NAME

— AND GET MOVING! —

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| A: 10 BURPEES | N: 1 5 PUSH UPS |
| B: 20 PUSH UPS | O: 2 MINUTE WALL SIT |
| C: 35 JUMPING JACKS | P: 25 JUMPING JACKS |
| D: 1 MINUTE PLANK | Q: 15 BURPEES |
| E: 20 SQUATS | R: 20 SQUATS |
| F: 1 MINUTE WALL SIT | S: 30 CRUNCHES |
| G: 20 BURPEES | T: 20 ARM CIRCLES |
| H: 30 PUSH UPS | U: 1 MINUTE PLANK |
| I: 20 ARM CIRCLES | V: 25 SQUATS |
| J: 30 CRUNCHES | W: 20 PUSH UPS |
| K: 25 SQUATS | X: 45 SECOND PLANK |
| L: 30 ARM CIRCLES | Y: 30 JUMPING JACKS |
| M: 45 SECOND PLANK | Z: 20 ARM CIRCLES |

If you like Geography or general knowledge in your house - this is the quiz for you... there are plenty more available [here](#)

DIRECTIONS: Write the name for each capital city next to the country where it is located.

Name: _____

World Capitals



Abuja	Dodoma	Moscow
Addis Ababa	Hanoi	Nay Pyi Taw
Ankara	Islamabad	New Delhi
Bangkok	Jakarta	Paris
Beijing	Kinshasa	Pretoria
Berlin	Kyiv	Rome
Bogota	London	Seoul
Brasilia	Madrid	Tehran
Cairo	Manila	Tokyo
Dhaka	Mexico City	Washington

A good start to the week...or indeed any day. Get everyone moving—and spelling!

Can you exercise to 'KINGSWOOD HOUSE SCHOOL' for an extra physical challenge including, in total, a 10 minute wall sit?!

Photo Scavenger



- _ A very relaxing place
- _ The biggest tree
- _ Something shiny
- _ The funniest thing you can find
- _ Something that begins with the letter "Z"
- _ Someone taking a picture
- _ The inside of something
- _ Something red
- _ An animal
- _ Your reflection in an unexpected place
- _ Someone or something looking unusually small (remember perspective)
- _ Light
- _ An interesting view of the sky
- _ Someone's eye
- _ Something round
- _ A shadow
- _ Movement
- _ The letter "H"
- _ A group photo

	Bangladesh		Myanmar (Burma)
	Brazil		Nigeria
	China		Pakistan
	Colombia		Philippines
	Democratic Republic of the Congo		Russia
	Egypt		South Africa
	Ethiopia		South Korea
	France		Spain
	Germany		Tanzania
	India		Thailand
	Indonesia		Turkey
	Iran		Ukraine
	Italy		United Kingdom
	Japan		United States
	Mexico		Vietnam

If you are feeling creative why not have a go at these starting points to make a digital work of art? You could try bringing together a few different images you make into a collage. Can you manipulate your image on your device to take it even further? If you have lots of magazines or catalogues at home you could even try a treasure hunt to find the suggested images... Of course they would all make great suggestions for a drawing, or a painting or how about even a cake bake?!

#stayathome #staysafe

MOBILE PHONE



SCAVENGER HUNT

Rules: Find the items listed below on someone else's mobile phone. Have the person sign their name next to the item. Only two items per signature please! When the time is up, add all your finds. The person with the most finds wins!
Good luck and have fun!

PICTURES

- Family Portrait _____
- Baby's 1st Birthday _____
- Family Pet _____
- Self Portrait _____
- Food _____
- Something Handmade _____
- On a Boat _____
- In Another State _____
- In a Foreign Country _____
- The Easter Bunny _____
- At the Farm _____
- Swimming _____
- Someone Sleeping _____
- At the Beach _____
- At Disneyland _____
- A Wild Animal _____
- Baking/Cooking _____
- Dress-Up _____
- Arts & Crafts _____
- Snow _____

GAMES AND APPS

- Angry Birds _____
- Candy Crush _____
- Solitaire _____
- Bejeweled _____
- Any Kid App _____
- The Bible _____
- Banking _____
- Amazon _____
- Facebook _____
- Instagram _____
- Facetune _____
- Shazam _____
- Pandora _____
- Pinterest _____
- Etsy _____
- Yelp _____
- Open Table _____
- Neflix _____
- Google Maps _____
- You Tube _____

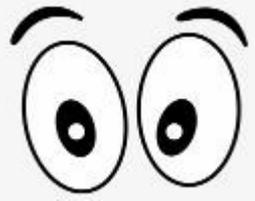
So who uses their 'phone most in your family and in which ways?

Score a point for each picture found from the list and 2 points for games and apps...

Who scored the most points?

Impress everyone with some amazing facts...did you know these?

Can you compile ten more? Twenty? Thirty—one for every day in April?!



*There are 420 episodes of Peppa Pig.
 Each approximately 5 minutes long.
 Meaning it would take 35 hours to watch them back to back
 #ShareAFactNoOneAskedFor*

Skin is your body's largest organ.	Your eyes process more than 120 million bits of information every second.
Girls have more tastebuds than boys.	There are about 1 billion bacteria in your mouth right now.
Your body contains about 60,000 miles of blood vessels.	Kids blink about 5 million times a year.
It's possible for people to get goosebumps on your face.	about 1000 of the cells in your body could fit on the head of the pin.
Humans can recognize about 10,000 different smells.	Your eyes move about 80 times a second.

KHS helping out the NHS!

We were delighted to hear that when Mrs Witts was in school this week she decided to gather up all our Science and DT department goggles and donate them to Epsom Hospital.

We all know the important job the front line NHS staff are doing every day, every hour at the moment and to have 'PPE' equipment is vital to help keep them safe as well.



Want to get involved and play your part in any small way you can? ? You may have seen the [BBC news article](#) that reported on the growth in explosion of 3D printers being used to quickly replicate and produce vital equipment for the NHS. Do you, or does your business, have a **3D printer** at home? A group has been set up www.3Dcrowduk that offers a free 3D printing template to enable a 3D printer to make critical face visors which will then be distributed to health care facilities—more information [here](#) if you can help out.

Slightly less 'high tech' but equally as important is the provision of 'scrubs'- protective clothing. **Do you enjoy sewing?** Do you have access to a sewing machine? Perhaps you could get involved with this initiative? The media has reported widely on the voluntary group set up by a nurse to ensure supplies of scrubs do not run out for staff in hospitals and elsewhere; they can get through as many as 10 sets per shift! Read about the scheme [here](#).

A standard pattern document with all details for making male and female sets is available [here](#) as well as details of fabric requirements. There are lots of local sewing bee groups that are co-ordinating efforts through the main group [ForTheLoveofScrubs](#), as well as providing the appropriate material for the garments.

Both these examples are just two of the many ways in which we are seeing society adapt, pull together and thrive in understandably difficult times. If you know of anything happening in your area, or that you are involved with and wish to reach out to the KHS parent cohort, do get in touch with [Mr Murphy](#) or [Mrs Earl](#) and we will do our best to get your message across.



One last thing...

How well do you remember your commute, parents?! Why not try this fun quiz at the weekend and show off your knowledge of the London Underground system...could you name certain stations just by seeing the coloured lines they are on?!

Try the quiz [here](#)