

# Kings Worthy Primary School Newsletter



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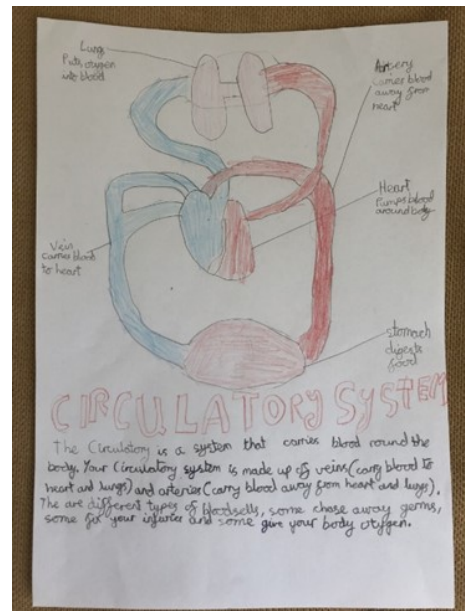
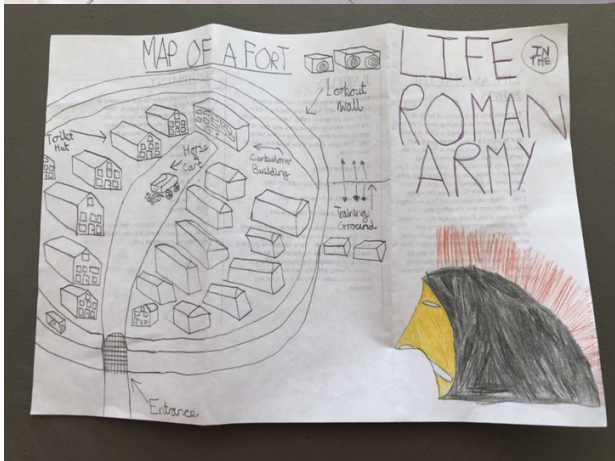
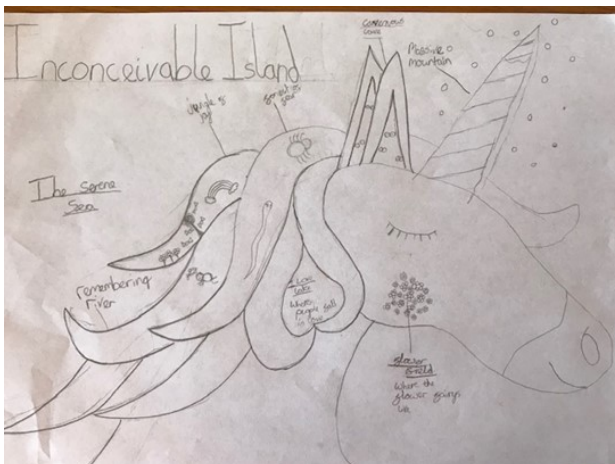
Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Bank Holiday Weekend!**

Tomorrow marks the first day, other than weekends, during lockdown, that the school will be closed since February 24<sup>th</sup>. With the constant misleading reporting of 'schools will reopen...' in the press I wanted to say once again what a fabulous job the staff at Kings Worthy have been doing in this difficult time for some of our pupils who have remained in school.

I would also like to acknowledge Angela and Claire, our fabulous school catering team, who have literally not missed a day since February 24<sup>th</sup> and have gone above and beyond in what they are providing daily for the children in school.

At the moment, I still have no further news in regards to when school is likely to open for every child and, like you, I await the announcement either later today or on Sunday about the potential easing of some lockdown restrictions. We will see. As soon as we know more we will then put together a plan of action in relation to what we need to do going forward. You will all be the first to know what, when and how we intend to do it. Please could I ask that if there is an announcement at the weekend that you don't inundate the office with questions and trust that we will contact you when we are ready to do so.



Some example of the wonderful work that has been sent in this week.

### **Class Video Calls**

All of the class video calls took place this week on Wednesday and Thursday and the feedback from staff so far has been very positive, however we feel we may need to try a slightly different approach should we do it again. Once I have all the feedback from all the teachers on what worked well and what didn't work so well then I will be able to make the decision on how we approach this activity in the future.

### **Coding at Home**

The Raspberry Pi foundation have launched a new, free [Digital Making at Home](#) initiative to support parents and young people with coding at home. You don't need any coding experience to join in, and all of their resources and activities are free forever. Every Monday they release new themed code-along videos about projects designed for all levels of ability. They also provide support tutorials for parents who are interested in learning more about coding tools like Scratch and Python, and over 200 projects with step-by-step instructions that are accessible online at any time – all for free.

[Sign up now](#) to start receiving free activities suitable to your child's age and ability straight to your inbox.

### **KS1 / EYFS Reading Books**

We have recently had some requests for reading books for EYFS and KS1. We are in the process of sorting through all of our books so we are unable to allow you to borrow any books from school. However, we have several boxes of books that we no longer have the space for. From Monday 11th May there will be two boxes of books outside of the school hall. The books within these boxes are for you to take. We do not require you to bring these books back to school. Books will be available for collection between 09:15 and 14:45 each week day. When collecting books please adhere to social distancing and we ask that you only take what you need so there is enough for everyone. If you're unable to collect any books do not forget about the [Oxford Owl](#) website where books can be read online.

### **Ducks**

On Monday this week the Ducks moved into their new fantastic new home. They have settled in really well and especially love their pond...dare I say it, they have 'taken to it like a duck to water'!

We would like to thank Mr Carr again for all his time and dedication to this project and thank you to Miss Brash in the office for duck sitting while their house was being built.

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation towards our 'sponsor a duck' project so far. We will be in touch with you very soon.



Jamie Dodson

**Headteacher**