# Vewknor C of E Primary Schoo Newsletter

Monday 27th April, 2020

# LATEST UPDATES

#### KINGSWOOD

We are hoping to reimburse all those parents who have paid for the Kingswood trip ASAP. Sarah, our finance officer, has to liaise with Oxfordshire County Council first. OCC say banks may block multiple cheques for the same amount for security reasons, and so they will have to contact our bank (as well as the banks of other schools, which had also planned residential trips for this term) to let them know to expect multiple cheques from parents. Hopefully, the process won't be too painful and you will receive payment soon.

#### LEARNING AT HOME

The teachers have put details on how to access the latest homework on your child's eschools page. Following government recommendations, we will trial the online Oak National Academy teaching service. There will be daily English and maths activities as well as tasks for other subjects. Do let us know what you think by emailing the office. Thank you.



**Headteacher's Welcome** 

FUN LEARNING OUT OF SCHOOL - PE

Our school continues to be open daily for those children whose parents are key workers critical to the Covid -19 response.

Other pupils have been set work which they are completing at home while the lockdown continues.

Our photos show just how busy the children have been and that learning at home can be fun. I hope you enjoy the photographs.

Left: Giddy-up - Wyatt rides through Lewknor on his pony Mingle Mouse







Above left: Brothers James and Charlie enjoy a long walk Above right: Sisters Chloe and Georgina keep fit to Joe Wicks

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Above: Green fingers - Georgie, Devon and Emmie

# SCIENCE – SPACE (Star Gazing)



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### **DESIGN TECHNOLOGY**



Above: Sewing - Lexi makes a doll and bag



Above: Cooking - Daisy bakes cookies



Above: Sawing skills - Daisy



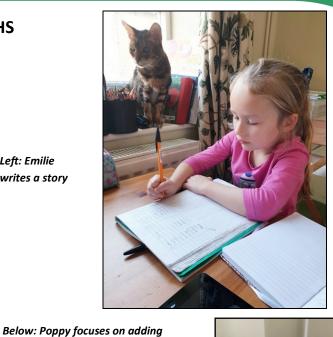
Above: Sewing skills - Daisy

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## **ENGLISH AND MATHS**



Left: Emilie writes a story



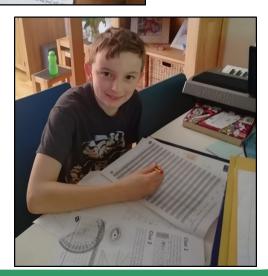
Left: Aria practises her handwriting and spelling

Below: Georgie orders numbers



Above: Zofia works on her maths





Right: James does some geometry. Looks like he has been practising his keyboard playing too!

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Daisy makes some World War 2 Anderson shelters, as part of the history project she has been doing at school

## ART

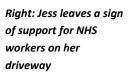




Above: Jasper designs a very colourful (and large) road map



Above: Matilda draws a rainbow, a symbol of hope and peace





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Please keep sending in your pictures. I have kept some over but I will be running out soon. I have been extremely impressed with all the work that is being completed at home. It's good to see all the creativity too.

Some parents say they are finding the lockdown stressful. You are not alone. This is a tough time for everyone.

There will be days when your child / children are not in any mood to sit down at a table to complete a worksheet. Just remember your child is still learning when you take that daily walk or other form of exercise. Talk about things that you might see while you are out and about or talk about things that are of interest to you all.

Children also learn when they are helping out at home - setting the table for breakfast or an evening meal, loading the dishwasher or washing machine, keeping bedrooms tidy! They will love activities involving the family coming together whether it's playing a board game, cooking or baking, or snuggling up on the sofa watching a film and talking about it afterwards. These are all examples of excellent learning opportunities.

Parents' lives will be easier if the children can stick to normal routines such as mealtimes and bedtimes. And don't beat yourself up too much - it's OK for children to feel bored sometimes. Children need to learn how to use their wherewithal to find their own entertainment. This helps them become independent and resilient.

Some parents say they are enjoying the lockdown because it is an opportunity to spend more time with their children. They recommend making the most of it because this period will not last forever. They say remember to stay calm and have a laugh.

Take care everyone. I am thinking of you all.

Mrs Cole

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WORD OF THE WEEK	
Knack	
Noun	
Definition: A knack is a	
special skill or talent that	
someone has.	
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