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The Easter holidays - HBK update 2 April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We very much hope that the Easter holidays will be a happy time for everyone, given the challenging circumstances in which we all find ourselves.

Hinchingbrooke will remain open over Easter for the children of 'key workers' and for 'Vulnerable' children.

Should my child be doing school-work over the Easter holidays?

We have not asked teachers to set school-work for the Easter holidays but we are aware that a number of departments have set or are setting additional work for students to do. Some of this work is optional, such as the Art Creative Pack, whilst some departments may well have set Easter holiday homework. Obviously, the optional work is just that, optional; where a department has set homework, we would like students to do that.

What other school-type work *could* my child do over Easter?

BBC Bitesize is a great free source of school-related work for many subjects, as is SENECA learning. It may be that some departments already set your child work from these websites but there will be at least some subject work that your child could profitably do!

Many students will also have PiXL apps on their own device. For Key Stage 3, there is an excellent times tables app; for Key Stage 4, there are apps for Maths, English Literature, Geography and History and they all have a variety of games to teach and test understanding in a range of topics. The apps can be downloaded from the App Store and login details are the same for each app. If a student doesn't know their login details, please contact Mr Woodfine on MHW@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk.

Everyone deserves a rest over the holidays. Parents - who most definitely deserve a rest! - will know how hard their child has been working and are best-placed to judge that, but it is a really good thing to do even a little bit of school-work each day; we learn best through regular work and frequent stops to go over what we should have learned - it's the going-over work that makes things stick, particularly if you are testing yourself with quizzes and questions and filling in the gaps that you uncover.

We will not be sending ParentMails with the same frequency over the Easter holiday period but we will be monitoring emails and you can always contact us on covid-19@hinchbk.cambs.sch.uk if you need to.

Please keep safe; keep in touch; exercise; and be kind. We are Hinchingbrooke.

Best wishes

Mr Patterson, Principal