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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday! We hope you are keeping safe and well.

We wanted to draw your attention to some resources that we have just added to our school website. Firstly, we hope your children are finding lots of time to read during the lockdown. It is the most essential skill to practise at a time like this. The staff team have been very busy reading and have made a video that we hope the children will enjoy, called *We Love Books!* You can find it on the front page of the website under latest news: <http://www.kingathelstan.kingston.sch.uk/> (please note that the video may not be copied, shared or downloaded to any social media site). Have a look and see what you think! I wonder if the children can see any books that they have read in the video? There are lots of people in it who you will recognise and a few of the very youngest members of our King Athelstan family too - see if you can spot them! Thank you to the staff team for putting this together. As usual, please respect the privacy of our staff and do not share the video in any way.

Despite being closed, Kingston library have lots of resources available. Please take a look at their newsletter on the school website with details:

<http://www.kingathelstan.kingston.sch.uk/assets/Uploads/downloads/Library-Lockdown-Newsletter-1.pdf>

In the COVID-19 Updates section of the website, we have uploaded a directory lots of information on local and national organisations that are offering help in this difficult time:

<http://www.kingathelstan.kingston.sch.uk/covid-19-updates/cambridge-road-estate-regeneration-team/> This ranges from Kingston Children's Services, mental health and wellbeing support, domestic abuse advice and support, to the local Cambridge Road Estate food pantry and Kingston Stronger Together team's information for people self-isolating and in need of support. Please do make use of these services.

Please don't forget that the school can issue Food Bank vouchers - to receive these, get in touch with the Inclusion team via the main school email address: admin@kingathelstan.rbksch.org

Finally - thank you for bearing with us whilst the issues with the national Free School Meal (not universal free school meals) voucher system are being resolved. Please continue to liaise with us via the admin email address if you have not received vouchers as expected.

Stay safe and have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

