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Tel: 020 3239 1831

Dear Past Setters,

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Re: David Kee, dob 25.12.1984

Following our recent conversations it has become clear to me that David needs your help.

David has been attending my clinic for some years and since 2006 has been obsessed with constructing an Armchair Treasure Hunt and getting more teams participating. This obsession intensified when he was given the slot for the 2015 hunt. David wanted his hunt to be the biggest ever and he subcontracted most of the work to that shadowy organisation ATH Corp, a UK off-shoot of the Puzzle Palace Group.

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It is my opinion that to get David out of this state we need to show him where he buried the treasure box. Unfortunately it appears that David had the only paper copy of the hunt, everything else is held by ATH Corp and they will only deal with David. However, I have managed to rescue some of the damaged pages (I may recover more) and I did manage to bug David's journey when he buried the treasure box.

I am asking you and the teams that compete in the annual hunt to locate the treasure box. I appreciate the hunt is incomplete but I have the impression that you are a resourceful group. I will be available over the next few weeks if I can be of any assistance, please email me at GHF@actonhospital.co.uk or call me on 0788 060 1409 for more urgent matters, e.g. if you have found the treasure box or it has been disturbed. It would be good for David to see progress towards locating the treasure box, so if any teams are able to give me access to their workings during the search I will facilitate David's involvement.

To complete David's recovery he will need to work through the hunt repeatedly and so it would be helpful if teams could submit to me their understanding of the hunt, and their treasure ticket number if they find the box, by **noon 12th January 2016**. Mark your submission as *virgin* if this is your first hunt, David will be encouraged by new teams' participation. David was also hoping for global involvement, so if you work out where the treasure is but are unable to visit the site then please let me know as soon as possible. Assuming you are successful I am sure that David will mark the submitted solutions and arrange a prize giving for those that have helped him recover.

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1. Fictional Trust.

2. Morse code in pixels hidden in top left, spells **KEEP**¹LOOKING. Starts to show up at magnification of 600%. Also www.goo.gl/3c4om5 at bottom of NHS logo, a short code for the Rick Astley video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQw4w9WgXcQ&autoplay=1>²

3. Hospital³ that closed in 2001. Address is correct although post code is no longer valid. This is where the bugged journey starts.

4. Phone number has a recorded message “Thank you for calling the switchboard of Acton Hospital. Unfortunately the switchboard is currently out of action. If you know the extension you wish to contact please send an email to Echo, X-ray, Tango, followed by the four digit extension number at Acton Hospital dot CO dot UK. As an example the email address for Mental Health Appointments would be E, X, T, 9, 9, 7, 6, at Acton Hospital dot CO dot UK. Please put your name in the subject line. Our target response time for emails is 99% within 10 minutes. Please do not leave a message as this facility is also out of action. Thank you for your attention.”⁴

For emails sent to extensions corresponding to question numbers a single letter is returned. Taking the letters in question number order the following message is returned:

CONGRATULATIONSIOUARECIRCLINGINONTHESOLUTION⁵KEEPLOOKINGLISTENINGANDSUMMING
Circling is a weak hint to the great circles part of the solution, **Looking** to the hidden codes, **Listening** to the embedded sound files and **Summing** to the Modulo 25 code.

Emails sent to any other address get a link to the Rick Astley video.

5 & 6. Extensions here are arbitrary, just cannot be question numbers. 9,000 range used to extend population of possible extension numbers.

- EMM2015/12/25/11 - Last two digits are the version number of this document during the development phase. The rest is a repeat of a reference on the second compass on page 2 of **main** hunt and a hint that it is significant.⁶
- Clinic: 14th December 2015 - No special significance.
- Typed: 16th December 2015 - No special significance.

7. Christmas day for first ATH. We got⁷ this wrong, we were a year early!

8. Hint to visit www.ATHcorp.co.uk⁸ which is a copy of the NSA web site with all links going to the Rick Astley⁹ video. NSA are also known as the Puzzle Palace.¹⁰

9. Will become clear when Treasure Box is found. The sound of a saxophone comes from the treasure box when an Infra Red zapper (eg TV

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remote control) is aimed at the bird box. Also a hint to solving the code at the bottom of pages 2-13 in main Hunt.

10. The Instructions to Hunters that would normally be spelt out on the web site are presented in these paragraphs:

- *I may recover more* - Leaving open opportunity to make corrections or issue more clues/pages.
- *GHF@actonhospital.co.uk 0788 060 1409* - Contact email and phone number.
- *give me access* - Asking teams to give the setters access to their workings during the hunt.
- *noon 12th January 2016* - End for hunt date.
- *virgin* - Hunt virgins asked to identify themselves for special treatment in marking and prize giving.
- *unable to visit the site* - Leaving open the possibility for virtual hunters to find the site and register their claim.
- *will mark the submitted solutions and arrange a prize giving* - large hint that marking and prize giving will be as normal.

11. Morse code in pixels, spells **KEEP** LOOKING. Signature is a copy from one of my real doctor's letters. It does not look like GH Frunt but it does not need to because it is pp'd. Note that G.H.Frunt is a hint to GAG **12** Hlfrunt, Zaphod Beeblebrox's personal brain care specialist, and another hint to HHGG.

12. Journey sound file starts at hospital with walk to Acton Town Station, train to Rayners Lane, train to Harrow-on-the-Hill and train to Rickmansworth followed by walk to Brown Sugar cafe and then visit to Newsagent next door to inquire about cost of postcard in the window. At this point there is the sound of an explosion to simulate the destruction of earth in HHGG. It is hoped that the route will be interpreted as being on the way to Bury Lake (as a red herring).

13. Simple Caesar cipher (each letter is 3 back in the alphabet) spelling **13** NOT HERB. The picture of Caesar at the end of the line is a rather obvious hint.

14. The text here is "to to". This is a simple typographical error and has no hidden meaning.