

### Message from Mr Tull – 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### This week in school:

Open Classrooms: Thank you to everyone who attended our first open classrooms of the year after school on Tuesday. It was lovely to see so many of you attend.

Y1 Local Walk: The heavy rain held off and Year 1 had a lovely local walk to Arbury Court on Wednesday as part of their Geography topic 'What is the Geography of our school and local area?'.

EYFS Phonics Workshop: Thank you to the many parents and carers of children in EYFS for attending the phonics workshop on Wednesday afternoon.

Y5 Trip to Sutton Hoo: The children in year 5 had an amazing day visiting Sutton Hoo as part of their history topic 'Anglo-Saxons and Vikings' on Thursday.

#### Next week in school:

Star Certificates: We will be awarding star certificates from Monday morning for those children who have had excellent behaviour and attendance during the first month of the school year.

Y4 Trip to Colchester Castle: Year 4 will be visiting Colchester Castle on Wednesday as part of their history topic, 'What impact did the Romans have on Britain'. Colchester Castle was the first Roman capital of Britain and contains many Roman remains and artefacts.

Individual Photographs: We have the photographer in on Thursday to take individual photographs of the children.

Year 3 Trip to Flag Fen: Our children in Year 3 will be visiting Flag Fen on Friday as part of the History topic 'Stone Age to Iron Age' where they will learn about and explore how prehistoric people of the Fen lived over 3000 years ago.

Harvest Food Collection – Supporting Cambridge City Foodbank: This harvest, we're collecting food for Cambridge City Foodbank, who provide emergency food and support to people in our city who are struggling to afford the essentials. Harvest food collection points will be set up next week on the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> until Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Please consider sending your child to school with one or more non-perishable food items.

Half Termly Tea: Please do join us for our first half-termly tea of the school year on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 3.25pm to 4.00pm. If you wish, you can bring donations along to the half-termly tea, where we will also have a collection point for non-perishable food.

Please do visit the [school online calendar](#), as we keep this updated with key events so that you can plan ahead.

As always, please do contact us if we can be of help. If you have any specifically KS1 questions, please contact Sophie Morris at [smorris@arbury.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:smorris@arbury.cambs.sch.uk) and for anything particularly involving KS2, please contact Kate Dowdall at [kdowdall@arbury.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:kdowdall@arbury.cambs.sch.uk).

Kind regards

Ben Tull

### Dates for the Diary

- 5<sup>th</sup> Oct – Star Certificates start
- 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Y4 Trip to Colchester Castle
- 8<sup>th</sup> Oct – Individual photographs
- 9<sup>th</sup> Oct – Y3 Trip to Flag Fen
- 9<sup>th</sup> Oct – Half Termly Tea
- 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Y6 PGL Residential
- 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Class 7 Assembly
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Y6 Assembly
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – EYFS Teddy Bear Hospital
- 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Half Term
- 6<sup>th</sup> Nov – Class 9 Assembly
- 9<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y1 Trip to Ely Museum
- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Nov – Parent/Carer Consultations
- 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Nov – Anti-bullying Week
- 17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y2 Fire Station Visit
- 20<sup>th</sup> Nov – KS2 Disco
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Bronze Certificated Start
- 24<sup>th</sup> Nov – Open Classrooms
- 25<sup>th</sup> November – EYFS visit to Audley End
- 1<sup>st</sup> Dec – KS1 Production – Y1 Audience
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – KS1 Production – Y2 Audience
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Flu Vaccinations catch-up
- 4<sup>th</sup> December – Half Termly Tea
- 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – EYFS Nativity
- 17<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Dinner / Winter Jumper Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last day of Autumn Term
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jan – Inset Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> Jan – Spring Term Starts for Children