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Dear Parents and Carers

Message from Mrs Rawlins – end of Summer Term!

This morning, we had a wonderful performance and Leavers' assembly by our Year 6 children. It was called 'Wow! What a Year!' – we can all identify with that, can't we? We had some technical 'fun', but eventually, the live-streaming worked and the children did a magnificent job of performing and bringing a real sense of celebration to their last day with us. We wish them well as they move on to their new secondary schools. Photos from this morning are here: [Year 6 performance and Leavers' assembly](#).

eSafety: As children may have more time online over the summer holiday, I am just giving these links again to some useful resources to support children being safe online.

For parents:

- [Internet safety advice and information | Internet Matters](#)
- [Net Aware: Your guide to social networks, apps and games \(net-aware.org.uk\)](#)
- [Parents homepage \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](#)

For KS1:

- [4-7s Homepage \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](#)

For KS2:

- [Thinkuknow 8-10s](#)

Summer activities: There are so many lovely things for children going on in Cambridge over the summer. Mrs Schwarz has been putting information onto the school Facebook page (search on Facebook for Arbury Primary School). Also the Cambridge City Council ChyPPS service have a range of play activities scheduled. This is the link to their Playdaze brochure: www.cambridge.gov.uk/chypps-activities

Summer reading challenge: if you have keen readers, do check out the 'Wild World Heroes' Summer Reading Challenge – the link is here: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>. Please do also have a read of Mrs Dowdall's reading newsletter for Summer 2 – I have attached a pdf.

Cows about Cambridge: I am hoping to get the chance to visit our mini-moo in the Fitzwilliam Museum over the summer, as well as to try and spot lots of the amazing cows all over the city. Our mini-moo's name is 'sunshine + rain = rainbow'. We designed and painted the cow in February 2020, and it was very much led by the children's ideas that it takes sunshine and rain to make a rainbow, and that is like our school being a caring community in good times and difficult times.

Lunch menu for September: The lunch menu will remain fairly similar for the first half of the Autumn Term, but we will be reintroducing a third option (either pasta, a baked potato or a baguette/roll/wrap) as we have previously. The new menu will be up on the school website soon if you wish to have a look before September.

An enormous thank you! In my video assembly yesterday, I talked about things to be thankful for at the end of another school year. I forgot to thank our School Council and Eco-School class reps, who have beautifully gathered the views of their classmates this year, when it has been so important for us to be finding out how children are thinking and feeling. So, thank you to those children! Mr Tull has also asked me to make sure that I send out a sincere thank you to all of you, for the extraordinary way you have worked with our school team to be able to keep children and staff safe, and consequently, keep school open consistently in a way in which many other schools have not been able to.

We wish you a safe, happy and relaxing summer, and look forward to seeing you all again on Thursday 2nd September. If needed, you can access Mr Tull's recent letter on arrangements for returning to school in September here: [Letter from Mr Tull](#).

With very best wishes

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