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Dear Parents and Carers

Message from Mrs Rawlins – 24.5.21

Here we are, at the start of the last week of this half-term. I am sure that we are all ready for a break next week – let's hope that the weather stays a bit drier and warmer!

Just a few things to let you know about this week:

Year 5/6 Science Image competition: Miss Joomun has gathered together some of the wonderful digital images taken with the microscope we had on loan in school. Do have a look on the school website – link here: [Year 5/6 Science Image photographs](#)). Amazing details – see if you can guess what each thing is!

Science week: Last week, we had a lovely Science week in school. Children were investigating and finding out about all sorts of scientific things. In Year 1, the children were dissecting flowers to find out about their different parts. A big thank you to the Les Ward shop in Arbury Court for kindly donating all of the flowers for Year 1 to dissect (and to Amelia's Mum for arranging this!).

Reading newsletter: Mrs Dowdall has published the latest reading newsletter for this half term; it is on the school website (link here: [Reading newsletter - Summer 1 2021](#)), and also attached to this letter.

'The Big Ask': The Children's Commissioner for England has asked us to help to publicise 'The Big Ask', the first-ever survey of children and young people in England. The intention is to gather as much feedback from children and young people about what they need and want, and to use this to make the people in power listen and respond. The survey doesn't take long to do, and children in Year 4, 5 and 6 will have the chance to complete it in school. If you have a child in EYFS, Year 1, 2 or 3, we would appreciate it if you could help them to do the survey online at home. Their website (link here: [The Big Ask website](#)) has links to the surveys: 4-5 years for EYFS and Year 1, 6-8 years for Years 2-3. There is also a survey for adults. The deadline for completing the survey is this Friday, 28th May. If you do have any feedback about the survey, please do let me know and I will pass it on.

Wishing you a good week! Please do contact Kathy Whiting if you have any EYFS/KS1 queries (kwhiting@arbury.cambs.sch.uk) or me if you have a query relating to KS2 (drawlins@arbury.cambs.sch.uk).

Kind regards

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