

14.6.21

Dear Parents and Carers

**Message from Mrs Rawlins – 14.6.21**

I hope that you have had a good weekend. We are certainly enjoying warmer weather, and the children are loving being out on the school field in their playtimes. Mr Tull has asked me to give a little reminder of the main things to remember on these warm days:

- Sunhats can really help, but please make sure that they are named, as this makes it much easier for us to reunite lost hats with their owners
- Named water bottles need to be in school every day, as we are still not able to use drinking fountains. Bottles can be easily refilled in classrooms whenever needed.
- Sun cream – again, please name any sun cream which is sent into school. Children will be able to apply their own cream, so do go through with them how to apply it.
- Clothing and footwear: please check that shoulders, tummies and tops of legs are covered, and that children can run about in their footwear.

A few things to update you on:

**Class photos:** This Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June, we will be having class photographs taken during the morning.

**Empathy Day:** Last Thursday was Empathy Day. As a whole school, we shared a lovely picturebook called 'The Invisible'. There were lots of discussions in classes about the book afterwards. I have put a video on the school website where I am reading this text, if you want to share it at home: [Empathy Day - 10.6.21](#).

**Carnival playtime:** On Friday, we had a bit of fun at playtime by pretending we were in a carnival mood, as a way of celebrating Arbury Carnival (which we hope will be back to a real-life one next year!). Mrs Whiting has added some photos and a couple of video clips to the school website: [Carnival playtime - Friday 11.6.21](#). The carnival organisers have also arranged for free access to a short Science show from the Cambridge Science Centre. The link and password should give you access until Thursday if you would like your children to watch at home:

Link: [cambridgesciencecentre.org/springshow\\_vitalschooltrip](http://cambridgesciencecentre.org/springshow_vitalschooltrip)

Password: fh633eg

**Sports Days:** We will be holding 'reduced' Sports Days in school next week, where each year group will have a block of time, and children can choose to take part in different races. EYFS/KS1 will be in the morning on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, and KS2 in the morning on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June. Sadly, we are not able to invite parents or carers in to watch, but fingers crossed for next year! We will take lots of photos for the school website.

**Refugee week:** This week is Refugee Week nationally. I will mention this in my video assemblies, and children in KS2 will do some additional learning related to refugees in their drama and music time with Mrs Ford this week.

**Last day of the Summer term:** Just confirming for you that the last day in school for this year will be Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, as a few of you have asked about this.

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

Kind regards

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