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Dear Parents and Carers

**Message from Mrs Rawlins – 7.10.22**

I hope that you have had a good week – even though the weather is getting colder, it has been good to have some nice sunny days! We have been able to continue to use the school field for lunchtime play, and normally it is getting too wet to be able to do that by the time we get into October! Year 3 have been visiting the Flag Fen archaeological site today, and thankfully, the weather looked great for a day of archaeology!

**This week in school:**

**Foodbank donations:** I was able to deliver the many, many food items donated by our school community to the Foodbank on Monday morning. They were very grateful, and we know these items will give comfort and support to families over the coming weeks and months.

**National Poetry Day:** Yesterday was National Poetry Day. The theme this year is 'The Environment'. We heard two lovely poems in assembly this morning which Year 5 children had written for National Poetry Day, and we know that lots of poems were listened to, read and written yesterday.

**Things happening next week:**

**Year 4 trip to Colchester Castle:** On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October, Year 4 will visit Colchester Castle as part of their 'Romans' topic.

**EYFS Reading Café:** On Thursday afternoon, the EYFS team are hosting a 'Reading Café' in the school hall from 2.45pm. Please do try and come along if you can, and do ask Mrs Griffin or Mr Sapsford or Mrs Morris in the KS1 playground if you have any questions or would like more information!

**Staffing news:**

Back in July, Mr Tull sent home a letter about class teachers / new staffing from September. In that letter, it did mention that Ms Evans, who has worked at our school since September 1995, and for many years now has been our Inclusion Lead and Safeguarding Lead, would be finishing teaching at October half-term. Quite a few of you have told us that you didn't know that information, so I thought it worth mentioning here! Ms Evans will be in school on Tuesday-Thursday for the next 2 weeks, in case you want to wish her well if you see her. We are definitely going to miss having her at Arbury!

Do have a good weekend! 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  
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