

28.5.21

Dear Parents and Carers

**Message from Mrs Rawlins – 28.5.21 – sorry... 2 in one week!**

**Tired and grumpy?!**

A number of you have spoken to us about how tired (and often, grumpy!) your children are. Please be reassured that this is a perfectly normal way to feel at the end of 7 full weeks in school. The children have been working hard every day, and sadly, the miserable weather hasn't helped any of us to feel full of energy as we have reached this point. We hope that you and the children are able to enjoy a change of pace and focus next week and to 'recharge the batteries' a bit.

**Half-term activities**

Remember that there are lots of free activities to take part in locally over the break. The Fitzwilliam Museum makes a good starting point for family activities (link here: [Families | The Fitzwilliam Museum](#)), but please do check on the Arbury Primary School Facebook page, where there is more information on Cambridge Museums/ChyPPS activities, plus holiday lunches.

**Dressing for anything...!**

Just a reminder that when we come back to school, the weather is likely to start to become quite warm. Do be aware of keeping children's shoulders covered, and also that any footwear is suitable for running about in (it can be a good idea to wear socks with any open-toed sandals, just to avoid toes becoming easily injured with all of the running around on the field/playground).

**Arbury Carnival**

On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June, Arbury Carnival will once again be a virtual event, with the theme of 'A Garden Party' this year. This link ([Arbury Carnival](#)) will take you to their website, and they are planning a live streaming event on Facebook from 11am on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June. However, we have linked up with the organising committee to do a little something in school on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June, to give children a chance to find out about the Carnival, and even perhaps to do a little class procession with music! We will keep you informed about all of that!

**And finally...**

In my video assembly this morning, I encouraged the children to think about something they feel proud to have achieved this half-term. For some, it could be really making an effort to work on their handwriting formation, for others, it could be finally feeling confident with understanding a particular Maths concept – or one of any number of areas of achievement academically and personally. As a staff team, we are proud of each of those achievements, and we know you feel the same. We also know that the joint efforts of all of the home and school grown-ups are so significant in supporting all of our children day in and day out. Thank you for all you do, and we hope you are all able to have a very enjoyable half-term holiday week.

We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. 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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