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Dear Parents and Carers

Message from Mrs Rawlins – 26.11.21

Apologies for sending this to you so late in the day – I have been continually on the go and not able to finish writing sooner! I hope this finds you and your family well.

Decorations for Arbury Court Christmas Tree: Classes in Year 1, 2 and 4 have spent some time today with Hilary Cox-Condron to create decorated sticks which will be made into stars for the tree which will go up in Arbury Court soon. I understand that the lights will be switched on in an event on Sunday 12th December, but I am not sure as yet what time it will be. Hilary's theme for the tree is 'Wish Upon a Star for Arbury', and the children also wrote some beautiful messages with things they would wish for our local area. The messages will be going up in the windows of the Arbury Court library. Pictures from today are on the school website in news and events. You may wish to have a go at home with your children to make a star, and I have attached a pdf with some instructions. If you wanted to also write a message with a wish for Arbury, you could stick it up in your own window at home, or if you want to, you could pass any messages on to me and I will get them to Hilary to go up in the library windows.

Year 5 Art Project: A few weeks ago, I wrote to you about a lovely project our Year 5 have been involved with, run by Cambridge Creativity and Imagination. Some of the artwork from their day with the visiting artists was chosen to be used to make some banners for their 'Forest of Imagination'. The banners, along with some created last year, will be exhibited in 2 free events: this Sunday, 28th November, at Wandlebury Country Park between 10am and 3pm, and then next weekend, on Sunday 5th December, in Christ's Pieces in town, again between 10am and 3pm. Link to the events is here: [Forest of Imagination | Cambridge Curiosity and Imagination \(cambridgecandi.org.uk\)](https://cambridgecandi.org.uk)

Travelling home from school in the winter: Mr Tull has asked me to pass the following message on to you: It will become darker at the end of the school day over the coming weeks as the days draw in. This might be the time to review the arrangements for children travelling home alone to ensure they arrive home safely and without worry. This could mean more visible clothing and adjusting routes to use well-lit paths. Some children may not be as confident to walk or cycle home alone in the winter months as they would be in the summer.

Wishing you a good weekend, although it seems it may be a rather cold and rainy one! As usual, do contact us if we can be of help. If you have any specifically KS1 questions, please contact Kathy Whiting at kwhiting@arbury.cambs.sch.uk and anything specifically involving KS2, please contact me at drawlins@arbury.cambs.sch.uk.

Kind regards

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