

15.11.24

Dear Parents and Carers

Message from Mrs Rawlins – 15.11.24

Thank you for coming to meet with teachers at parent/carer consultations earlier this week. It was good for teachers to catch up with you and share news about how the children are getting on in class.

As today is Children in Need day, we celebrated the work the charity does for children with a 'Do Your Thing' assembly. We had about 75 acts participating, from playing the piano to dancing and making bird noises (which were very realistic!). Quite an extravaganza!

Do you know a DJ? Friends of Arbury would like to put on a disco for KS2 on Friday 13th December between 5.30pm and 7pm, but they have been unable to find a DJ who is able to run a disco for children and is available on that day and at that time. If you have anyone who may be able to help, please email Karen at: Friends@arbury.cambs.sch.uk. Thank you!

Story Time tomorrow: Time for a Story at Milton Road Library on Saturday 16th November from 10.30am-11.30am. This free event is suitable for children 7 and under and their families. Join storyteller Marion Leeper at Milton Road library to enjoy an interactive version of the story of Rama and Sita, go with them on their adventures in the forest and light a Diwali candle to bring them home.

Next week in school:

Ongoing next week in school is our **Anti-bullying week**. The theme this year is '**Choose Respect**'. I will share information with you on Monday about what we will be doing in school to help children to understand what bullying is and how we deal with it in school.

Monday 18.11.24 – Odd Socks Day: To start off Anti-Bullying week, we will have 'Odd Socks day', where children are invited to wear odd socks to school if they wish. This is to remind us of the importance of celebrating our individuality.

Tuesday 19.11.24 – Y2 visit to Cambridge Fire Station: During the morning, our Year 2 children will be visiting the Fire Station. This is part of their History work, learning about the Great Fire of London.

Wednesday 20.11.24: Flu vaccinations will be taking place during the morning. Mrs Schwarz emailed out a reminder a few days ago; you do need to have given your consent online if you would like your child to receive the vaccination.

Thursday 21.11.24 – EYFS trip to Audley End: Classes 1 and 2 are going on an exciting trip to Audley End on Thursday. They will have a super time!

Friday 22.11.24 - KS1 Maths workshop: Parents and carers of children in KS1 are invited to a Maths workshop from 2.30pm to 3.15pm, in the Expressive Arts hall. The following information was emailed out this week about upcoming Maths workshops:

We are excited that we will be holding Maths workshops for parents and carers towards the end of November. In the workshops, we will explain how we teach maths at Arbury Primary School and some of the methods that we use. We will also share tips and resources so that you can support your child at home with maths. The workshops will consist of a short presentation, followed by practical opportunities to find out more, including the chance to have a go at some maths problems and puzzles yourself! However, please do not worry, participation is entirely optional and you may prefer to just listen and have a look at some of the resources we use in school.

There will be two maths workshops, which will take place in the Expressive Arts Hall for Key Stage 1 and 2 respectively:

Key Stage 1 Workshop: Friday 22nd November from 2:30pm- 3:15pm

Key Stage 2 Workshop: Friday 29th November from 2:30pm- 3:15pm

We really hope that you will be able to join us for the workshops and look forward to seeing you there.

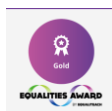
Building Confidence online workshop: We shared information a few weeks ago about this online workshop, taking place on 28th November 2024 at 2.00pm. The workshop is being delivered by the Mental Health Support Team (working with schools), Emotional Health and Wellbeing Service. They have asked us to share the booking link with you to book onto this course. Link here:

<https://bookwhen.com/cambridge-north-and-ely-mental-health-support-team-building-confidence-workshop>

Wishing you 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 and for anything particularly involving KS2, please contact Kate Dowdall at kdowdall@arbury.cambs.sch.uk.

Kind regards

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