

Dear parents, guardians and families,

Another great month with our pupils who have enjoyed a variety of extra curricular activities such as drama, dance, film night. This month has seen new iPads and chrome books in all classes for pupils to use to support their learning through research. The children also now have new dictionaries in all classrooms to help them with their use of extended vocabulary and spelling. The new playground markings have been a great success—photos coming soon! Have a safe half term and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 5th June. Miss Cotchin



The Northamptonshire Local Offer.

Are you aware of the services available to your child and young people from the Local Authority?

Northamptonshire County Council provides a wide range of services that can support your child. The link below can provide you with information you might find helpful.

<http://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/children-families-education/SEND/local-offer>

PTA film night

Thanks to everyone who attended our first PTA film night event, we've raised lots of money to help provide resources for the children. We hope everyone had a great time, and that you will all support us with our future events. Remember, if you want to get involved, email APA-PTA@arboursacademy.co.uk or speak to Miss Osmond.

Year 1

We are about to enter our last term Mrs Rainsbury and Mrs White want to thank you for all of your hard work so far. We are excited for the next few weeks and what they may bring! We are starting to prepare the children for year 2, one of the ways you can help with this is by encouraging them to become more independent. In the mornings please say your goodbyes to the children outside on the playground, so that they can enter school and prepare themselves for the day independently. Thank you to those who are already doing this.

Don't forget, we start back to school on Monday 05-Jun

Safety on school premises

Please remember to treat all staff at school with respect.

Any rude, aggressive or volatile behaviour will not be tolerated and may result in a ban from school premises.

Thank you to those who do speak with staff appropriately.



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Don't forget our Tea & Chat every Friday afternoon from 3pm to 3.30pm



Year 2

We would like to say a massive **WELL DONE** for all the hard work and perseverance that everyone showed during their SAT's. You should all be very proud of yourselves! We are looking forward to the rest of the term and some more brilliant work.

Please help us by checking you child's hair.



Wash, Rinse, Condition and Comb leaves the bugs without a home.



Drama Club—Year 4

Drama club is up and running for Year 4. We are lucky enough to be working with Chris from Warts and All Theatre Company who is teaching us all sorts of stage skills.

This week we have been looking at how to build tension and next week we will be looking at stage fighting! The play we will be performing in November on the Derngate stage has been announced and we will be handing out roles shortly. There are some spaces in the Drama Club for year 4 children only. If you are interested in joining the club and being part of the Shakespeare School Festival, please contact the office or [Miss Appleby](#)

Lake District—Year 6

It has been an incredibly busy term for **year six**. I am sure we are all pleased to have SATs behind us. Everyone worked extremely hard and did their absolute best.

Some of us were lucky enough to enjoy a week in the Lake District with Outward Bound. Those who stayed behind enjoyed what looked like a terrific week of activities with Mrs Taylor and Mrs Stevens.

We can now look forward to a well earned half term break and then just one more term at The Arbours - which looks like another exciting term, packed with events and activities. Enjoy the break! Mrs Hales and Mr Hall

Settling Saxons—Year 4

During this half term, the children have learnt about the Anglo Saxon era of our country's history. They have created model houses in the style of the Saxons and have developed their understanding about the post-Roman era, moving on to 1066 and the build up to the battle of Hastings. We have been really impressed with the writing the children have done this half term, particularly their 'Defeat the Enemy' story linked to Beowulf (a Saxon tale).

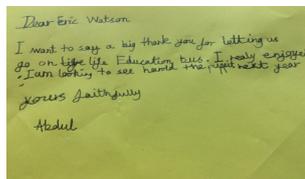


Life Education Bus

At the beginning of May the children enjoyed a visit for the Life Education Bus.

The children learnt all about healthy lifestyles and how to take good care of themselves.

This visit was partially funded by the Rotary Club of the Nene Valley. The children wrote letters of thanks and made wonderful posters.



Road Safety



Please remember to park carefully outside the school. There is not much space so we must all try our best!

Remember if you are parking **you must not block a pathway—a double buggy should be able to get through. If you are blocking the path the police may be called on 101.**

If you see anyone who is parking dangerously or blocking a pathway you can report the registration number to 101.



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Age Restrictions On Social Media

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Swimming—Year 4



The children have been absolutely brilliant in the water and their confidence has increased dramatically. Recently we carried out our first swimming assessment of the term and certificates have been sent home for those children who achieved 5m, 10m, 25m or 50m. The children are learning a variety skills, including kicking with a floating aid, strokes with a float and beginning to consider how to breathe whilst lowering your face into the water. Their progress is absolutely brilliant and thank you to those parents who have been taking their children swimming too.

