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Dear Parents and Carers

We have finally made it to the end of another crazy half term in Lockdown 3. Thank you so much for helping with all the home schooling. We literally could not have done this without you. As you may be aware the government will be reviewing the Lockdown on the 22nd February and there is a strong determination for more children to return back to school in March. We should know more about what is happening after the half term holiday and I will share with you what the next phase will look like once I know more.

Covid Update

It is important that if you or your family over the half term holiday show symptoms for Covid that you have a test. If any result shows as positive and your child has a place in school please send an e-mail to arundeli@arundelcourt.com This will be checked every day over the half term week.

Staff will be continuing to do the home testing over their half term break in order to keep those children in school as safe as possible. In return, can we politely request that you also continue to follow the lockdown guidance/rules.

Unfortunately, unless we have support bubbles in place then we must all continue to avoid any household mixing at this time.

DfE Laptops

We have worked hard to secure more laptops for pupils from the Department of Education (DfE). As a result, every child in year 5 now has a device loaned to them from the school. We are hoping to allocate more loaned pupil laptops to different year groups after the half term holiday. Watch this space for more information.

School Vouchers

All the Free School Meal shopping vouchers started going out yesterday, if there are any problems please email on arundeli@arundelcourt.com and Mrs Phillimore will get back to you asap.

Support for 2 Year Olds and Early Years children on Pupil Premium.

This week we have had information from Portsmouth City Council telling us that our Two Year Olds and children (in the nursery), who are classed as Early Years Pupil Premium will receive a £45 voucher in February towards food costs. Again, more information will be coming out soon and the office will be in touch if this is related to you.

Have a wonderful break and remember to step away from home-schooling for the whole of next week. You absolutely need a rest and make sure you enjoy doing lovely family things which doesn't involve completing any maths or English work!

Keep safe and well.

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ACP AFTERNOON UNPLUGGED



'Traditional Tales' is the theme for
Wednesday 24th February 2021



Bake a cake for Grandma

Build your own castle or cottage and read quietly



Walk your noble steed

Have your own indoor picnic



We would like you to be creative as you can, here are few ideas to get you started but the possibilities are endless:

- ◆ Play a board game
- ◆ Make a pasta necklace
- ◆ Paint rocks
- ◆ Make a time capsule
- ◆ Can you write your own Traditional Tale—we would love you to use your imagination!



The following day, please share your afternoon activities by sending a photo to preston@arundelcourt.com so that we can share your creativity on the school website and social media pages.

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