



Arnside National Primary School

'Aspire – Believe – Achieve'

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Dear Parent / Carer

As we approach half term, I must take this opportunity to congratulate the pupils on settling back in so well. For some of our children, it had been a transition back to working after nearly 6 months out of school. The sudden change has been demanding, tiring and emotionally challenging for many pupils and they are certainly ready for a recharge over the half term holiday. I would also like to thank parents / carers for their continued co-operation with the Covid-19 restrictions in school. Social distancing in the playground, ensuring a prompt drop off and pick up, and communicating 'virtually' with the class teachers, are a crucial part of keeping pupils, staff and parents as safe as possible.

Parental feedback – Autumn Term '20

Class teachers will be sending out feedback via Dojo on Tuesday 20th October from 4.00pm. If you would like to discuss any issues in more detail, please contact your child's class teacher to arrange a telephone appointment.

School photographer

The school photographer will be taking individual photographs on Thursday 22nd October. Unfortunately, photographs are restricted to school children only and we kindly ask parents not to bring younger siblings into school.

Sports coaching

We have had a great half term of football coaching and all the classes have been involved. Next term we have rugby coaching and also the possibility of a 'virtual' cross country event.

Arnie's

We have experienced a significant drop in Arnie's numbers and this may be a result of more flexible working hours for parents. As an academy, we are required to ensure financial efficiency in every aspect of school life. If numbers don't increase, the Governing Body will have to review the current provision and explore alternative solutions. We are extremely proud of the Arnie's club and the pupils love their sessions thanks to the dedication of Sam and Julia.

Thank you again for your continued help and support. Let's hope for a glimmer of light in the coming months and an improvement in the current situation.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Sharp



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