



Colmers Farm Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th February 2025

Dear parents / carers,

Educational visits – Year 6.

This week Year 6 went to the Symphony Hall to watch the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra. The children joined pupils from many other schools to enjoy this unique experience and learnt about different instruments. The children then went to the Library of Birmingham where they climbed lots of stairs and enjoyed looking in the children's department.



Educational visits – Year 5.

The children in Year 5 visited Birmingham Central Mosque on Wednesday and Thursday this week. The children are learning about Islam in RE lessons and had an excellent guide who taught the children some fascinating facts. The children behaved in an exemplary way and our guides were incredibly complimentary about both classes. Arash in 5E shared his knowledge and skill reading his classmates a prayer from the Qur'an in Arabic. I am incredibly proud of our pupils and how they put our No Outsiders ethos into practice showing such interest and enjoyment during their visit.



Year 5 Showcase.

On Tuesday Year 5 welcomed their parents into school to watch their Ancient Greece Showcase. The children performed brilliantly, combatting any stage-fright, and even stepped in to say lines on behalf of poorly children. More than 70 parents / family members came to celebrate the children's learning – thank you! Well done Year 5!

Parents' Evenings.

Thank you to all parents / carers who came to school for Parents' Evening this week. Sharing your child's progress is incredibly important and working together on their next steps will ensure they reach their full potential. If you didn't make Parents' Evening, please arrange a call with your child's teacher.

Don't forget
parents'
evening!

Rock Kids

On Monday 3rd March we have a very special treat in store for the children here at Colmers Farm...Rock Kidz is back!

Throughout the school day the Rock Kidz team will be transforming the whole school into Rockstars and inspiring them to be the best they can be.



Their experienced team will be teaching one of their key messages such as self-esteem, anti-bullying, aspirations and inclusion through their unique Rock Kidz songs.

Parents Lottery

Don't forget to sign up to our Parent Lottery! Every ticket sold helps us provide the enriching education experiences our children deserve.

There will be various prizes up for grabs each week including the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot. 60% of each ticket you purchase goes to us as a school to help with our ongoing fundraising.



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And finally...


Next week is half term, marking halfway through this school year. We hope that all families have a safe and restful break and we look forward to seeing all children back in school on Monday 24th February for the second half of this year.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

E. Young.

Mrs Young
Head of School

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Mon 17 th February - Fri 21 st February	Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 26 th February	Black Country Living Museum Trip	1K
Wednesday 26 th February	Height & Weight checks	EYFS
Thursday 27 th February	Black Country Living Museum Trip	1W
Monday 3 rd March	Secondary School Places offered	Year 6
Monday 3 rd March	Rock Kidz	Whole school
Monday 3 rd March	Height & Weight checks	Year 6
Wednesday 5 th March	Attwell Farm Visit	RL 
Thursday 6 th March	Attwell Farm Visit	RJ
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day	Whole school
Monday 10 th March	Parents Maths Workshop	Year 2
Monday 17 th March	Open Morning	Year 6
Tuesday 18 th March	West Midlands Fire visiting	Year 4
Wednesday 19 th March	Poetry Workshop with Spoz	Year 4 and 5
Wednesday 19 th March	Maths Workshop	Year 1
Monday 24 th March	Open Morning	Year 1
Tuesday 25 th March	Open Morning	Year 5
Wednesday 9 th March	Parent Maths Workshop	Year 1
Wednesday 2 nd April	Open Morning	EYFS
Thursday 3 rd April	Pee, Poop and Paper Assembly	Whole School
Monday 7 th April	Open Morning	Year 2
Tuesday 8 th April	Open Morning	Year 3
Tuesday 8 th April	Year 4 Showcase	2pm

Thursday 10 th April	Governor Award Assemblies	
Thursday 1 st May	Gurdwara Trip	4J 
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Thursday 8 th May	Gurdwara Trip	4HN
Monday 12 th May	International Women in Maths Day	
Mon 14 th April – Fri 25 th April	Easter Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	May Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 18 th June	Sports Day	Whole School
Monday 23 rd June	Selly Manor Trip	Year 5
Wednesday 25 th June	Animal Man	EYFS
Wednesday 25 th June	Beach Trip	2M
Thursday 26 th June	Beach Trip	2L
Mon 30 th June – Thur 3 rd July	Book Fair	
Wednesday 2 nd July	School Transition Day	Whole school
Thursday 3 rd July	School Summer Fair	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Wednesday 9 th July	Explorer Showcase	Year 1
Friday 11 th July	School Reports Sent Out	Whole school
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Performance	Year 6
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Disco	Year 6
Thursday 17 th July	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 21 st July	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils

What's new on the school website

- RL Farm Visit Date change letter



This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

Congratulations to all of our hot chocolate winners this week. They are:

Albie	RJ
Brayden	1K
Manuel	2M
Josh	3P
Winnie-Mae	4HN
Ellis	5F
Kaiden	6B



This week's congratulations assembly recipients...



Romie	RJ	Ollie	RL	Ezra	1W
Alanah	1K	Bella-Rose	2M	Finley	2L
Liliana	3S	Logan	3P	Duaa	4J
Theo	4HN	Hasali	5E	Ethan	5F
Tiegan	6B	Poppy	6G		



HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	253	203	262	232

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	1502	1520	1632	1342



S
Stay Safe
Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.

M
Don't Meet Up
Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.

A
Accepting Files
Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.

R
Reliable?
Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?

T
Tell Someone
Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!

Please follow us on Twitter!
Our Twitter feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning we see from our pupils everyday!
@Colmers_FarmPS

Happy Birthday Messages

For this week we would like to wish Happy Birthday to:

Callum	3S	8	Jai-Jai	2L	7
Olivia-Lili	1K	6	Jenson	4HN	9
Harrison	1K	6	Charlie	RJ	5
Natasha	1K	6	Tilly	6G	11
Ethan	4J	9	Bogdan	4J	9
Aiman	2L	7	Isla-Rose	3P	8
Mahz	3P	8	Nevaeh	5E	10
Oscar	4J	9			

ORACY Questions to ask your child.

To further develop ORACY skills for children here at Colmers Farm, we would encourage all parents to ask their child the below question to further develop their understanding, learning and ORACY skills around the topics they are currently learning about in school.

Reception: Which traditional tale has been your favourite?

Year 1: What does a postcard need?

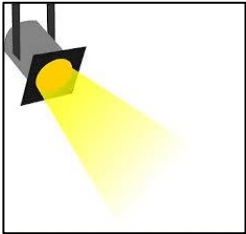
Year 2: What is one quarter of 12? How do you know?

Year 3: What are the signs of an online scam?

Year 4: What element of extreme weather have you found the most interesting to learn about?

Year 5: Can you name one fact you learnt at the Mosque?

Year 6: What can you interpret from a line graph and pie chart?



We are halfway through this school year and our whole school attendance to date is

92.7%

Please see the table below to see how well your child's class is doing this year to date. Our whole school attendance target is 96%, well done to 4HN who are the highest attending class to date with 95.7% attendance.

RJ	RL	1K	1W	2L	2M	3P
91.5%	93.3%	91.6%	92.6%	90.6%	93.8%	93.2%
3S	4HN	4J	5E	5F	6B	6G
88.2%	95.7%	94.7%	94.0%	94.6%	94.1%	87.0%

Every day counts and we are grateful to all parents who send their children into school whenever possible.

Class	% present	
	Last week	This week
RJ	93.0%	89.7%
RL	89.0%	92.4% ★
1K	92.7%	89.3%
1W	89.0%	90.0% ★
2L	85.2%	90.4% ★
2M	98.0%	93.3%
3P	91.7%	96.3% ★
3S	91.1%	88.6%
4HN	89.7%	97.1% ★
4J	95.3%	96.7% ★
5E	98.6%	96.4% ★
5F	95.4%	91.4%
6B	92.2%	94.1% ★
6G	91.9%	90.7%

CLASS AWARDS:

The class with the highest attendance in EYFS / KS1 and the winner of the Colmers Cat this week is:



2M – 93.3%

The class with the highest attendance in KS2 and the winner of the Colmers Camel this week is:



4HN – 97.1%



This week the children have been very busy in the construction area, using a range of materials and their imaginations to create different modes of transport.



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Your child/ children may come home a little bit dirty!

Please remember that your child/children have had fun and have learnt new skills along the way!



Outside play and learning

Weekly Assembly

Ask your child to tell you about the story behind the pictures we looked at in assembly this week and how it relates to British Values, Rights Respecting articles and No Outsiders.

Years 1-3



10 year old Riley was 60m from the finish line of a cross country race in Grimsby when he collapsed with a stitch. Another runner, Julian, picked up Riley and carried him across the finish line.



Years 4-5

Deo Kato is an athlete from Uganda who lives in London. He has recently completed a run from Cape Town to London. He started in July 2023 and arrived in London 516 days later, at the end of December 2024.



**NO
OUT
SIDERS**
'All different, All welcome'



Rights Respecting Article

At Colmers Farm we promote children's rights in all areas of our curriculum. We want to ensure that ALL children understand their rights so that they are healthy, happy and safe.

Look at the article below and talk about what the article means.



Article 18



You have the right to be raised by your parent(s) if possible.



	Class Name	Number of words this year
1 st	6G	390,791
2 nd	4J	76,535
3 rd	5F	14,832

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	3S	360,624,280
2 nd	6G	84,992,934
3 rd	6B	15,520,440
4 th	2L	10,049,742

	Class Name	Number of Points This Week
1 st	6B	22,260
2 nd	6G	10,116
3 rd	4J	7,818
4 th	5E	3,619

Last week's top scorers	
1 st	Mariam (6G) 89,349
2 nd	Amelia (6G) 87,413
3 rd	Timothy (6G) 64,766
Highest one week score this year	
Mariam (6G) 89,349	

Last week's top scorers	
1 st	Kian (3S) 153,935,019
2 nd	Elijah (3S) 126,646,785
3 rd	Shea (3S) 115,186,464
Highest total score this year	
Godpower (4J) 3,876,312,753	

Top 3 Pupil Scores This Week	
1 st	Lucas (6B) 18,300
2 nd	Wayne (4J) 7,130
3 rd	Ava-Grace (3P) 2,360
Pupil With The Highest Total Points 2024-2025	
Lucas (6B) 173,850	



Safeguarding at Colmers Farm Primary School

Please also see the safeguarding page on our school website for further information:

<https://www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org/our-school/safeguarding/>

If you think a child is in immediate danger, don't delay – call the police on 999

At Colmers Farm Primary School safeguarding children is of paramount importance. We have four Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) who can be contacted by parents should they have a safeguarding concern. They are:



Mrs Young
DHT
Lead DSL



Mrs Taylor
Pastoral Care
Deputy DSL



Mrs Smith
SENCO
Deputy DSL



Mr Williams
Headteacher
Deputy DSL

If you have safeguarding concerns about a child, please email our school using the following email address: safeguarding@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

If your concern is urgent and it is out of school hours, please contact Birmingham Children's Trust - Emergency out-of-hours number: 0121 675 4806



BIRMINGHAM
CHILDREN'S TRUST

Contact Details

Monday to Thursday: 8:45am to 5:15pm

Friday: 8:45am to 4:15pm

Telephone: 0121 303 1888

Emergency out-of-hours

Telephone 0121 675 4806

The Children's Advice and Support Service (CASS) provides a single point of contact for professionals and members of the public who want to seek support or raise concerns about a child.

They aim to keep all children and young people in Birmingham safe from harm. If you are concerned about a child, please contact them. They will listen, assess your concerns, and can take action if a child is at risk.



NSPCC

If you have any concerns at all about a child's safety or wellbeing, you can also contact the NSPCC. It doesn't have to be an emergency – you might be looking for guidance and support on issues affecting children. Their team of dedicated child protection specialists will be able to advise you and take any necessary action.

Call 0800 800 5000 (10am-4pm Monday to Friday) or email help@NSPCC.org.uk at any time. Alternatively [submit an online form](#).