



Colmers Farm Primary School

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

## Times Table Rock Star Launch Day.



On Thursday children and staff were invited to come to school dressed as rock stars as we celebrated the launch of 'Times Table Rock Stars'! As you can see the staff really enjoyed the opportunity to dress up! Times Table Rock Stars will be an invaluable resource for our children, and we really hope their enthusiasm for this continues. Times table fluency is a key part in the maths journey and will help children in primary school and beyond! If you need any help with accessing Times Table Rock Stars please ask.

## Breast Cancer Awareness.

At the end of a busy week the staff and children also enjoyed wearing pink to support Breast Cancer Now, a charity that is close to our hearts. Thank you for your support with this and for your generous donations. Mrs Creba's daughter-in-law made some amazing cakes for our very luck staff!

If you would like to make a donation please click the below link which will take you to our school Just Giving page:

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/colmers-farm-1726479094983?utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=page%2Fcolmers-farm-1726479094983&utm\\_source=copyLink&utm\\_campaign=pfp-share](https://www.justgiving.com/page/colmers-farm-1726479094983?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fcolmers-farm-1726479094983&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share)



## Girls' Football.

On Tuesday we hosted Turves Green Primary School for a girls' football match. 9 girls from Years 5 and 6 represented Colmers Farm Primary School impeccably. Despite losing 2- nil,

they worked well as team and began to show some excellent tactics. Shout out to Darcie who was magnificent in goal!

### **Next Week in school:**

#### Book Fair:

The Travelling Book Fair is back in school next week from Monday – Thursday. Please come along and have a look at the books, every book bought gives school free books in return!



#### Parents' Evenings:

By now you should have booked a slot to meet your child's teacher – if you still need to make this appointment, please contact the office

Thank you as always for your support,

*E Young.*

**Mrs Young**  
**Head of School**

#### **What's new on the website...**

- Year 6 Social Media letter
- Year 1 Bookmarks letter
- EYFS Attwell Farm Trip letter

## Dates for your diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Big Arts Week	Whole School
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October – Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Book Fair	3:15pm – 4pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents Evening	Whole School
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening	Whole School
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November – Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Residential Trip	Year 5 and Year 6
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November - Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week	Whole school
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Diwali Assembly	Year 3
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Safety Seymour & CO2 Workshops	Year 2 & Year 5
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Roman Britain Showcase	Year 4
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photos	Whole school
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Family Photo's	3:30pm – 4:30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Nasal Flu Immunisations	
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Travel & Transport showcase	Year 2
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Panto	Year 1, 2 and 3
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Governor Award Assemblies	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Performance	EYFS

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Performance	EYFS
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025	Christmas Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	NSPCC Number Day	Whole school
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Ancient Greece Showcase	Year 5
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening	Whole school
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening	Whole school
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day	Whole school
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	May Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	School Transition Day	Whole school
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	School Summer Fair	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Explores Showcase	Year 1
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports Sent Out	Whole school
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Performance	Year 6
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Disco	Year 6
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils

# This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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



Ashley	RL
Hollie	1K
Aurora	2M
Kian	3S
Aisha	4J
Isaiah	5F
Isabella	6G




## This week's congratulations assembly recipients...

There was no celebration  
assembly this week due to a Poetry  
Assembly.








### HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Coffon
This week	312	285	320	267

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Coffon
This term's total	1733	1629	1796 	1581



<h1 style="color: #FF00FF;">S</h1> <h2 style="color: #FF00FF;">Stay Safe</h2> <p>Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.</p> 	<h1 style="color: #008000;">M</h1> <h2 style="color: #008000;">Don't Meet Up</h2> <p>Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.</p> 	<h1 style="color: #0000FF;">A</h1> <h2 style="color: #0000FF;">Accepting Files</h2> <p>Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.</p> 	<h1 style="color: #FFA500;">R</h1> <h2 style="color: #FFA500;">Reliable?</h2> <p>Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?</p> 	<h1 style="color: #FF0000;">T</h1> <h2 style="color: #FF0000;">Tell Someone</h2> <p>Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <p>Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!</p> </div>	<p><b>Please follow us on Twitter!</b></p> <p>Our Twitter feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning we see from our pupils everyday!</p> <p><b>@Colmers_FarmPS</b></p> 
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## Happy Birthday Messages

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

Lilliemai	3S	8
Ivy	2L	7
Scarlet	4J	9
Joshua	3P	8
Regon	2M	7
Evelyn	4HN	9
Tyler	5F	10
Jack	3S	8



### 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:**    **Can you tell me what the Rainbow Fish gave to his friend?**
- Year 1:**        **What are the 7 continents?**
- Year 2:**        **What makes a good friend?**
- Year 3:**        **What can you tell me about the Awa Tribe?**
- Year 4:**        **Who is your favourite Roman God? Why do you think that?**
- Year 5:**        **Is Australia a country or a continent?**
- Year 6:**        **What is a micro-organism?**

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**



Our whole school attendance target remains at **96%** and this year we are determined to reach it!

Our current school attendance to date is **93.1%** - let's get this up to **96%**!

Can you beat this % next week?

At Colmers Farm Primary School it is important that every child feels that they belong to their class and to the school as a whole. Coming to school every day will help children feel that they belong and that they are an important member of our community.

This year we will continue to challenge the children to see whether their class's attendance can

**'BEAT LAST WEEK!' ★**

Class	% present	
	Last week	This week
RJ	90.7%	94.6% ★
RL	91.8%	93.8% ★
1K	88.7%	91.3% ★
1W	95.9%	97.2% ★
2L	93.1%	89.0%
2M	94.3%	92.0%
3P	95.2%	92.4%
3S	83.2%	89.3% ★
4HN	97.7%	96.3%
4J	93.1%	94.5% ★
5E	93.8%	91.9%
5F	97.8%	97.0%
6B	97.0%	97.9% ★
6G	94.4%	89.3%

### CLASS AWARDS:

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



1W – 97.2%

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



6B – 97.9%



# SAGE Award for KS2



Here are a few ideas as to how you can contribute towards your SAGE Award over the weekend.

Please email any evidence (photographs) to [enquiry@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org](mailto:enquiry@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org)

## Serving the community

Make some cakes or a handmade thank you card and deliver it to a local fire station/police station or hospital

Regularly support siblings with their homework and listen to them read

## Aiming for Higher Things

Enter and take part in a competition outside of school

Try to achieve over 3000 points on Mathletics

## Getting Active

Regularly go running with a family member

Create a fitness video at home

## Explore the Arts

Learn a new skill- sewing/ cross-stitch/ knitting

Perform to an audience- Learn a poem off by heart and record it and share with others



# 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.

## Key Stage 1



## Key Stage 2



**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 4



*The government has the responsibility to make sure your rights are protected. They must help your family to protect your rights and create an environment where you can grow and reach your potential.*



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**Accelerated<sup>TM</sup>**  
Reader



	Class Name	Number of Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	6G	211,816
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6B	73,419
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4J	72,430
4 <sup>th</sup>	5F	69,741
5 <sup>th</sup>	4HN	55,598
6 <sup>th</sup>	5E	53,885
7 <sup>th</sup>	3S	9,000
8 <sup>th</sup>	3P	7,471

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	6G	103,660,666
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6B	23,699,824
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4J	15,504,348
4 <sup>th</sup>	4HN	8,462,708
5 <sup>th</sup>	2L	5,419,052
6 <sup>th</sup>	1W	3,210,206
7 <sup>th</sup>	5F	2,340,834
8 <sup>th</sup>	5E	2,240,000
9 <sup>th</sup>	1K	1,805,052
10 <sup>th</sup>	3S	1,106,222

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	6G	12,239
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6B	12,202
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4J	8,429
4 <sup>th</sup>	4HN	7,325

Last week's top scorers	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Timothy (6G) 68,154
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bogdan (4J) 37,551
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gabriel (6G) 35,987
Highest score this year	
Tim (6G) 622,021	

Last week's top scorers	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Moonshine (6G) 79,344,000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Niamh (6B) 9,125,624
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tiegan (6B) 8,541,180
Highest score this year	
Godpower (4J) 3,768,630,451	

Last week's top scorers	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Lucas (6B) 9,090
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bogdan (4J) 3,720
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tori-Lei (4HN) 2,028
Pupil With The Highest Total Points 2024-2025	
Lucas (6B) 65,730	

# 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](mailto: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](mailto:help@NSPCC.org.uk) at any time. Alternatively [submit an online form](#).