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Colmers Farm Primary School

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had a fabulous week.

## **Punctuality**

Attendance is a huge priority for us as a school which is why every newsletter encourages it. Punctuality is also incredibly important. Punctuality is a vital habit for all pupils because it sets the tone for a positive and successful school day. Arriving on time ensures that students do not miss important instructions, learning opportunities, or the chance to settle calmly into a school day. It also helps to build a sense of responsibility, respect for others, and good time-management skills — qualities that are essential not only in school but throughout life. When pupils are punctual, teachers can begin lessons promptly without disruption, creating a better learning environment for everyone.

By developing strong punctuality habits now, pupils are preparing themselves for future success in education, employment, and beyond.



We are all occasionally late, however we have an impressive:

- 167 pupils who have never been late this year;
- and 218 pupils who have been late once or less this year.

Well done to all these pupils and families.

## **KS2 SATs**

I would like to say a huge well done to all our wonderful Year 6 pupils for their fantastic effort during KS2 SATs week. We are incredibly proud of the determination, resilience and positive attitude they have shown throughout.

Our pupils approached each day with focus and maturity, supporting and encouraging one another and showing just how much they have learnt during their time at our school. Their hard work, both in the lead-up to the tests and during the week itself, has truly shone through. No matter the results, every one of our pupils (and their teachers) should feel proud of what they have achieved.

They have represented the school brilliantly and should take real pride in all their hard work this year. Well done, Year 6 – you have been truly amazing and you deserve a good rest over the weekend! We now must wait until July 7<sup>th</sup> for our results.



## **15,000 Visitors to Colmers Farm!**

At Colmers Farm we pride ourselves on welcoming everybody as we are a proud No Outsiders School. On Monday, we had an estimated 15,000 visitors to Colmers Farm – which has got to be a record for any school. Unfortunately, it was not 15,000 humans but 15,000 bees, who decided that one of the wicker panels, by the main office, would be a great place to build a nest. Fortunately, we managed to find a beekeeper who safely removed the bees and took them to a new home. This was a fascinating process to watch. I will post a video of this on the school website soon, in the news section, if you are interested in seeing the bees and how they were removed. Please note that no bees or humans (big or little) were endangered or harmed during this event.



## **E-safety Question**

Test what your children know about e-safety issues by asking them the question below.

What is phishing?

- A. Catching fish
- B. A trick to steal personal information
- C. A type of computer game
- D. A virus scanner

The correct answer is B. Phishing is when someone pretends to be someone you trust — like a game, school, or a company — and tries to get your password, address, or other private information. If you get a message such as 'You have won a prize!' or 'Your account will be closed!' stop and think. Don't click on strange links and keep your personal details safe. If something feels weird, scary or too good to be true, tell an adult.



Thank you for your continued support.

**Mr Williams  
Headteacher**

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

- EasyFundraising Letter



## Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	SH Sports morning	Year 1 and Year 4 9am – 11am
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	<b>Half-Term Holiday</b>	<b>School closed to all pupils</b>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	St Stephens Church Trip	2L – 9.10am 2K – 1.05pm
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	Soccer Aid Assembly	Year 5 and Year 6
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026	Class Photos	Whole School
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Farm Trip	Pathways children
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Weston-super-Mare trip	2L – all day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Weston-super-Mare trip	2K – all day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Birmingham Mission Assembly	KS2 – 9am KS1 – 9.30am
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Sports Day	Whole School
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Science Lesson at Colmers School	Year 5
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2026	School Transition Day	Whole School
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Staff v Students Soccer Aid	2.30pm
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Stratford-upon-Avon Trip	5HN
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Stratford-upon-Avon Trip	5E
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Year 1 Showcase	2.15pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Rock Steady Concert	Whole School
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Safeside Fire Safety Trip	Year 6
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Summer Picnic and Summer Fair	Whole School
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Year 6 Cinema and Bowling Trip	Cinema – 10am Bowling – 1.30pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Science Day	Whole School – dress as scientists

Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Governor Awards	Whole School
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Party Day	Year 1-5 and EYFS – 1pm-3pm Year 6 Disco – 4.30pm-6pm
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Summer Holidays</b>	<b>School closed to all pupils</b>



Winning pupil –  
Shea 4B



Winning class –  
4J - 272,534



Winning class – 5HN  
Winning pupil –  
Logan 4J

Top 3 Class Scores This Week	
1 <sup>st</sup>	6G 53747
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4B 28329
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6F 10115

Top 3 Pupil Scores This Week	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Elijah 4B 365,325,369
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Shea 4B 616,255,286
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Arnold 6F 17,109,368

Next Week's Battles:	
Spelling Shed 🐝	
3M vs 5E	



# This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

River	RJ	Jaxon	1W
Hollie	2K	Chase	3M
Is-Haq	4J	Duaa	5E
Robyn	6G	Arnie	1W – Lunchtime award



## This week's

## Celebration Assembly recipients



Rory	RL	Ethan	RJ	Romie	1W
Eden-Rose	1RW	Finley	2K	Roman-Lee	2L
Aurora	3M	Elijah	3S	Frankee	4J
RJ	4B	Aylah	5E	Josh	5HN
Noah	6F	Isra	6G		








## HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	90	141	162	165

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	829	930	1093	1013



<h1 style="color: #FF00FF;">S</h1> <h2 style="text-align: center;">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="text-align: center;">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="text-align: center;">Accepting Files</h2> <p>Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.</p> 	<h1 style="color: #FF4500;">R</h1> <h2 style="text-align: center;">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="text-align: center;">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>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Please follow us on Twitter!</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">Our Twitter feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning we see from our pupils everyday!</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.2em;"><b>@Colmers_FarmPS</b></p> 
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### Happy Birthday Messages

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

Chae	4B	9
Spencer	6G	11
Hunter	1W	6
Camarah	1RW	6
Zayn	5E	10
Annabelle-Rose	6F	11
Jacob	5HN	10
Tayibah	4B	9
Manuel	3M	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:**    **What happened with Harry and his bucket?**
- Year 1:**        **Who was Christopher Columbus?**
- Year 2:**        **What is an ocean? Which ocean is the biggest?**
- Year 3:**        **What are the features of instructions?**
- Year 4:**        **What jobs would you like to have had in Norman Britain and why?**
- Year 5:**        **What makes an amphibian not an insect?**
- Year 6:**        **How can teamwork improve a production?**

**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 **93.41%** - let's get 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. 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	% present
	Last week	This week
RJ	89.29%	90.00%
RL	91.45%	85.79%
1RW	95.22%	92.41%
1W	96.67%	95.00%
2K	97.5%	91.20%
2L	93.75%	95.33%
3M	95.83%	88.85%
3S	93.3%	91.13%
4B	86.25%	89.00%
4J	91.13%	93.55%
5E	93.95%	94.84%
5HN	95.98%	96.43%
6F	98.15%	98.89%
6G	85.08%	95.00%

**CLASS AWARDS:**

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



2L – 95.33%

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



6F – 98.89%



# Wellbeing Weekly



Our assembly focus this half term is *Self-challenge*.

As the weather gets warmer, spending time outdoors can be a great way to support children's wellbeing. Encourage children to stay active by playing outside, riding bikes or visiting local parks. Remember to keep everyone hydrated by drinking plenty of water throughout the day and applying sun cream before going outdoors. Warmer evenings are also a good opportunity for family walks, picnics or screen-free time together, helping children relax, connect and enjoy the benefits of fresh air and sunshine.



Conversation starter for families.

Parent-child discussion.



What activities help our family feel happy and relaxed during warmer weather?

Why is it important to drink water and stay safe in the sun?

What are your favourite outdoor memories as a family?

How can spending time outside improve our wellbeing?

What new healthy habits could we try together this summer?

## Wellbeing Tip of the Week

Try to spend at least 20 minutes outdoors each day this week. Fresh air, sunshine and movement can help boost mood, improve sleep and support both children's and adults' wellbeing. Even a short walk, a game outside or quiet time in the garden can make a big difference. Encourage children to notice the signs of spring and summer around them — the flowers, birds, sunshine and longer evenings — as taking time to appreciate nature can help everyone feel calmer, happier and more connected.

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## Wellbeing activity for outside of school.

Plan a family "Nature Scavenger Hunt" during a walk, visit to the park or time spent outdoors together. Children can search for different colours, flowers, insects, birds, trees or natural objects such as smooth stones, leaves and feathers. This activity encourages children to slow down, observe the world around them and enjoy the calming effects of nature.

Being outdoors together also provides a great opportunity for conversation, teamwork and exercise, all of which support positive wellbeing. Families could make their own checklist before going out, take photographs of their discoveries or draw and label the things they found when they return home. Simple activities like these can help children feel relaxed, connected and more mindful of the environment around them.



NO  
OUT  
SIDERS



# 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.

## Whole School



Arabaab owns Marlow's British Kitchen in Leeds, which sells fish and chips. Next door is the Beth Hamidrash Hagadol Synagogue and bakery. When Arabaab opened last September, his neighbour Rabbi Anthony visited and suggested Arabaab started selling Kosher fish and chips.

*What is a synagogue?  
What does kosher food mean?*

The photo shows Arabaab Munir on the left with Rabbi Anthony Gilbert on the right.

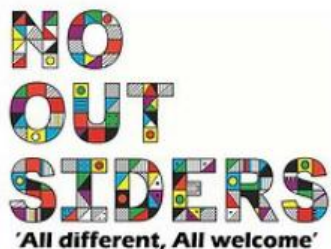
*What is a Rabbi?*

Kosher food is food that complies with Jewish dietary customs (also known as kashrut) making it fit for consumption according to Jewish tradition found in the Torah. A key rule is strict separation of meat and dairy products. There needs to be separate fryers for the fish and the chips too.

*Do any other religions have customs about how food is prepared?*



**Why is this about No Outsiders?  
Which British value is this about?  
How is this story about us in our school?**



# 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 discuss the questions below.



## Article 20



You have the right to special care and help if you cannot live with your parents.



Why do you think it is important for every child to feel safe and cared for?

What different people or places can help children if they cannot live with their parents?

How can families and communities help children feel welcomed and supported?

What do you think "special care and help" should include for children?

How can we show kindness and understanding to children whose home situations may be different from ours?





Be Empowered.....

## BE EMPOWERED WORKSHOPS

- Early Support Programme for SEND Parent Carers

Is this for you?  
Are you a parent of a child/ren with a different abilities (additional needs)? Are you struggling to know what to do next?



feel confident build resilience  
Do you want to feel more confident about working with practitioners and making decisions about your child's journey?



feeling lonely, isolated?  
Do you want to meet with other parents and learn more about local and national services and what they can offer?



We warmly invite you to a series of workshops that have been written by and are led by trainers who are parent/carers of a child with additional needs themselves. They run over a period of 6 weeks, and there are a selection of face-to-face and online sessions.

These workshops are for parent/carers of children and young people of any age, with any additional need, with or without a diagnosis. They are an attempt to support parent/carers through times of change and at whatever stage of the journey participants may find themselves.

Wednesday's 5/11/25 - 17/12/25  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Evolve Centre, 99 Glover St, B9 4EN.

Monday's 10/11/25 - 15/12/25  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Online via Zoom

Thursday's 8/1/26 - 12/2/26  
10:00am-1:00pm  
Lime Tree Children's Centre,  
Heathfield Rd, B19 1UJ

Saturday's 10/1/26 - 13/2/26  
1:00pm - 4:00pm  
Online via Zoom  
Joining details will be sent.

Tuesday's 10/2/26, 24/2/26 - 24/3/26  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Acocks Green Methodist Church,  
1 Botteville Road, B27 7YE.

Friday's 27/2/26 - 27/3/26, 17/4/26  
6:00pm-9:00pm  
Online via Zoom  
Joining details will be sent.

Tuesday's 14/4/26 - 19/5/26  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Online via Zoom  
Joining details will be sent.

Thursday's 16/4/26 - 21/5/26  
In Community Languages  
10:00am - 2:00pm  
Lime Tree Children's Centre,  
Heathfield Road, B19 1UJ

Friday's 5/6/26 - 10/7/26  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Online via Zoom  
Joining details will be sent.

Monday's 8/6/26 - 13/7/26  
10:00am - 1:00pm  
Hodge Hill Family Hub, Dyson Gardens  
Children's Centre, Highfield Road, B8 3QF.

TO BOOK – Please complete the booking form and return to: [BeEmpowered@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:BeEmpowered@birmingham.gov.uk) or alternatively you can submit online either by using the QR code below or using this link (<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Z86aaeTSzUuzA9K74m78UtsZJS1sGdFip4igifYn11UMFZRQjpEUUJKNUJDTVBVRkE5NM3OUFXSC4u>) to submit online.



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# 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:



Miss Hooper  
DHT  
Lead DSL



Mrs Taylor  
Pastoral Lead  
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**



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## 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](#).