



A nurturing
school

Colmers Farm Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week.

Attendance

We all want our children to achieve the best they can in their lives. One of the best things you can do is to help ensure that your child's attendance is as good as possible. **Did you know that children with an attendance of 95% - 100% attendance, throughout their school lives, are 2x more likely to achieve strong GCSEs! (95% attendance is 9 or 10 days off for the year!)** Arriving on time to school is also important!



Carbon Monoxide Assembly

We were delighted to welcome Bonanza Creative to our school for an engaging and informative visit focusing on carbon monoxide (CO) awareness and safety. Through school assemblies and a series of interactive workshops, pupils learned about what carbon monoxide is, how it can be produced in homes and other environments, the dangers it presents, and the simple steps that can be taken to stay safe. The sessions were age-appropriate, highly engaging and encouraged pupils to think carefully about their own safety and the importance of sharing this vital information with their families. We would like to thank Bonanza Creative for delivering such an important and memorable learning experience for our children.

Year 4 Bell Boating

On Wednesday and Thursday, Year 4 had a fantastic time bell boating along the Worcester and Birmingham Canal near the University of Birmingham. They worked brilliantly as a team, paddling together, encouraging one another and enjoying the beautiful scenery and wildlife along the route. For many, it was a new and exciting adventure that helped build confidence, teamwork and a real sense of achievement. The smiles and laughter at the end of the day showed just how much they enjoyed it!



Sporting Fixtures

Our Year 6 football team were in action on Monday as part of the Kings Norton District Tournament. They did very well, finishing fourth overall (one goal away from third). On Thursday, our Year 5 boys and girls attended a touch rugby festival. This was a great opportunity for them to experience this sport and our pupils very much enjoyed being part of this event. Well done to all the pupils who took part and thank you to Miss Jennings and Miss McCarron for taking our pupils to these events.



First Aid Lessons

On Wednesday, our Year 3 and Year 5 pupils took part in Mini First Aid workshops, where they learnt practical skills and knowledge that could one day help them save somebody's life. This is an activity that we have ran for several years at our school and every child from Years 3 - 6 has had at least one session, if they were with us in these year groups. The children thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on sessions, learning what to do in an emergency and developing confidence in responding to a range of situations. These valuable workshops are an important part of our Colmers Farm Primary Guarantee, ensuring that our children leave us with not only a strong academic foundation, but also the knowledge, skills and confidence to make a positive difference in the world around them.



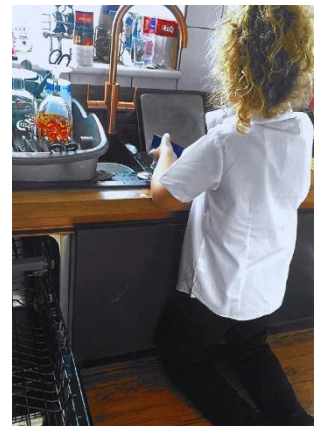
Knife Crime Workshop

This afternoon, our Year 6 pupils took part in an engaging and informative knife crime awareness workshop. The session helped children to understand the serious risks and consequences associated with carrying knives, while also exploring positive ways to stay safe, make responsible choices and respond to peer pressure. Through discussion and activities, pupils developed a greater awareness of how to seek support and make decisions that keep themselves and others safe. The workshop was a valuable opportunity to reinforce our commitment to safeguarding and preparing pupils for the challenges they may face.

SAGE achievements

A huge well done to Natasha (3M), who has been getting stuck into her SAGE Award this weekend! She has been busy washing up at home to complete the 'Serving the Community' section of her award — what a fantastic way to show responsibility and make a difference at home. We absolutely love seeing our children bringing the SAGE Award to life beyond the classroom. Keep up the amazing work, Natasha — you are a true SAGE superstar!

We would love to see more SAGE superstars in action! Parents and carers are very welcome to send photographs and examples of what your children have been getting up to for their SAGE Award via the school email — enquiry@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org. We can't wait to celebrate their achievements and show off all the fantastic things they are doing!



Travelling Book Fair

Find your next favourite read at our Book Fair! The travelling Book Fair will be stopping off at Colmers Farm on October 16th – 21st and you can browse through the books on sale in our Lower Hall from 3.30pm to 4pm. Cash and card payments will be available and every book you buy helps earn free books for our school.



Year 3 Parents Workshop

Thank you to all of the parents who were able to attend the Year 3 Reading Inspire Workshop on Friday. We hope that you found this informative and that you will use the ideas within this to further support your child at home.

E-safety Question

Pupils' safety is incredibly important to us at our school. It is very important that pupils also remain safe online. This is why we have a short e-safety quiz for you to discuss with your children each week. Please see this week's question below.

While playing an online game, someone you don't know asks you to move to a different app to chat privately. What should you do?

- A) Start chatting because they seem nice.
- B) Give them your username on other apps.
- C) Do not chat with them and tell a trusted adult.
- D) Ask them for a photo first.

Correct Answer: C. Do not chat with them and tell a trusted adult. Why? People online are not always who they say they are. It is safer to keep conversations in the game and speak to a trusted adult if someone makes you feel uncomfortable.



Thank you for your continued support. I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Williams
Headteacher

What's new on the school website

- BBC 500 Words Creative Writing Competition 2026/27 Letter
- Residential Trip: Parents Meeting Letter
- Year 3 and Year 5: Drumming Workshop Letter



Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Tuesday 29 th September 2026	Birmingham Cathedral Trip	6F 10am-12noon
Thursday 1 st October 2026	Birmingham Cathedral Trip	6K 10am-12noon
Wednesday 7 th October 2026	Phonics Inspire Workshop	Year 2 2.15pm
Thursday 8 th October 2026	Finance Workshop	Year 5
Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Residential Trip – parents meeting	3.30pm-4.30pm
Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Martineau Gardens Trip	2K
Thursday 15 th October 2026	Martineau Gardens Trip	2B
Thursday 15 th October 2026	Autumn Fair	3.30pm
Friday 16 th October 2026– Tuesday 20 th October 2026	Travelling Book Fair	3.30pm - 4pm
Tuesday 20 th October 2026	EYFS Parents Evening	
Wednesday 21 st October 2026	Parents Evening	
Monday 26th October 2026 – Friday 30th October 2026	Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Monday 2nd November 2026	Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 3 rd November 2026	NSPCC – Virtual Panto Assembly	Years 1-6
Wednesday 4 th November 2026 – Friday 5 th November 2026	Residential	
Tuesday 10 th November 2026	RSPCA Visit	KS2
Wednesday 11 th November 2026	Brazilian Drumming Workshop	Year 3 and Year 5
Wednesday 11 th November 2026	OPAL Stay and Play	3pm
Thursday 12 th November 2026	School Photos	Whole School
Monday 16 th November 2026	Antibullying Week	Odd Socks on Monday – Whole School
Monday 16 th November 2026	Flu Vaccinations	

Wednesday 18 th November 2026	Speak Out, Stay Safe	Y2, 5 and 6 Workshops
Thursday 19 th November 2026	Year One Phonics Workshop	2pm
Thursday 26 th November 2026	WWII Trip – Bewdley Museum	6F
Friday 27 th November 2026	WWII Trip – Bewdley Museum	6K
Wednesday 2 nd December 2026	RockSteady Christmas Concert	RockSteady Club
Friday 4 th December 2026	Christmas Panto	1.30pm – Years 1, 2 and 3
Thursday 10 th December 2026	Christmas Fair	3.30pm
Friday 18th December 2026 – Friday 1st January 2027	Christmas Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 4th January 2027	Training Day	School closed to all pupils

Spelling Shed 

Competition

3J vs 4S

Winner - 3J

**Top 3 Pupil Scores
This Week**

1st	Riley 6F 10,220,000
2nd	Shea 5E 7,961,025
3rd	Regon 4N 5,414,470



Competition

4N vs 5B

Winning class – 4N

Winning pupil – Zayn K 6F

Next Week's Battles:

Spelling Shed 	5P vs 5E
TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS 	3M vs 4S

Excelsior
Multi Academy Trust

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Coming next week!



This week's Celebration Assembly recipients



Coming next week!



HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	327	271	262	304

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	1010	840	985	1022



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

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

Samuel	1W	6
Julian	5E	10
Aliyah	3J	8
Paul	2B	7
Hudson	5E	10
Aya	RJ	5
Lilah	2B	7
Matilda	2B	7
Myah	6K	11
Ava	4S	9
Freddie	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 made you feel proud this week?
- Year 1:** When do we use a capital letter?
- Year 2:** What do living things need to survive?
- Year 3:** What is a fronted adverbial? Can you give an example?
- Year 4:** What does the digestive system do?
- Year 5:** How can you respectfully disagree with someone?
- Year 6:** What are the different types of invertebrates?

**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 95.1% - we are so close to 96%. Can we get there?

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 Last week	% present This week
RJ	96.31%	98.00%
RL	94.64%	97.22%
1L	94.40%	98.80%
1W	97.48%	97.50%
2B	98.00%	97.33%
2K	94.67%	98.00%
3J	95.17%	93.79%
3M	98.99%	96.67%
4N	92.71%	90.34%
4S	87.41%	91.11%
5B	98.00%	96.00%
5E	95.33%	94.33%
6F	97.00%	97.33%
6K	95.61%	90.33%

CLASS AWARDS:

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



1L – 98.80%

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



6F – 97.33%



CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU SCHOOL CLINIC

Where: Colmers Farm Primary School

Date: Thursday 8th October

Time: 1.30pm - 4.30pm

Appointments last around 30 minutes.

To book, please contact pastoral manager
Mrs Taylor through the school office.

Book your appointment to meet the Citizen Advice
Bureau team and receive support with:

- Assistance maximising income
- Benefits (Application, Appeals, Tribunals)
- Housing Issues (Homelessness, Incorrect Banding for Council Properties, Repairs not being dealt with correctly, Evictions)
- Family Law - (Referrals can be made to Solicitors to assist with Child Arrangements Orders (C100) or divorce matters. Eligibility for Legal Aid can also be considered)
- Specialised Debt Advice - can process internal referrals to our internal debt team.

Weekly Assembly

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



Vitoria Bueno is a ballerina. She has performed all across the world. There is something which makes Vitoria different from other dancers.

Why is this about No Outsiders? Which British Value does this link to?

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 27



You have the right to food, clothing, a safe place to live and to have your basic needs met. You should not be disadvantaged so that you can't do many of the things other children can do.



DEELANDS HALL

Deelands Road

What's On for our community

Activities • Support • Wellbeing • Friends • For Everyone

MONDAY

FREE Community Haircuts
1st Monday of every month
Starting 5th October
4pm till 7pm
Qualified & DBS checked

FREE 8-Week Boxing & Employability Support Course
Monday 28th September
11am till 1pm

Digikicks – Tea & T'Internet
1:20pm to 3:30pm
FREE

TUESDAY

FREE Adult Yoga
Starting 6th October
2:30pm - 3:30pm

FREE Children's Yoga
Starting 6th October
4pm - 4:45pm

Illuminate Shine Performing Arts
Ages 5-9
5pm - 6.30pm
Chargeable session
Contact Kerri Ann Boyle
www.illuminateperformingarts.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

FREE Wellbeing Drop In
Craft • Food • Conversation
12 noon - 3pm

Illuminate Shine Performing Arts
Ages 5-9
5pm - 6.30pm
Chargeable session
Contact Kerri Ann Boyle
www.illuminateperformingarts.co.uk

THURSDAY

Starting mid-October

FREE Children's Boxing
Ages 10-16
5pm - 6pm

Ladies' Boxing
6pm - 7pm
Chargeable session
Contact Keith on
07375 032325

FRIDAY

Starting 16th October

FREE Deelands Hall Community Living Room
Wellbeing space
12 noon till 3pm

Activities • Fitness • Food • Wellbeing

SATURDAY

Illuminate Shine Performing Arts
9am - 12 noon
Chargeable session
Contact Kerri Ann Boyle
www.illuminateperformingarts.co.uk

Cartwright & Coy Performing Arts
4pm - 8pm
Contact: 07346 813139

SUNDAY

Café Church Food & Prayer
4pm - 6pm

SPECIAL EVENT

Charity Auction
Friday 27th November

All are welcome! Be part of something special

CLARION FUTURES | Trident Group | COMMUNITY FUND | Birmingham City Council | Birmingham Community Boxing Project

DEELANDS HALL

FREE Community Haircuts

Starting 5th October 2026 - Then 1st Monday of every month

Deelands Hall
Deelands Road B45 9RT

1st Monday of every month

4pm till 7pm

Everyone Welcome

Qualified and DBS checked Hairdresser

“Community Haircut Day: Completely free styling and cuts for local residents and families looking to stretch their household budgets.”

“Free community haircuts. Save on your grooming essentials so you can direct your budget where your family needs it most.”

To book email berniam@tridentgroup.org.uk

Facebook private message **anita ashton**
find her on Deelands Hall Community Group

CLARION FUTURES | **Trident Group**

Look Good ♥ Feel Great ♥ Together

WELLBEING DROP IN



Drop in,
say hello,
you're
welcome
here!

WEDNESDAY
12 TILL 3

EVERYONE
WELCOME!

A safe
and friendly
space for
everyone

FREE FOOD



GAMES



PLAY, LAUGH
AND HAVE
SOME FUN!

CRAFT



GET CREATIVE
AND EXPRESS
YOURSELF

FRIENDSHIPS



MEET NEW
PEOPLE AND
BUILD CONNECTIONS

QUIET SPACE



TAKE TIME OUT
RELAX AND
RECHARGE

SIGNPOSTING



INFORMATION
AND SUPPORT
AVAILABLE



DEELANDS HALL
Deelands Road

YOU MATTER. YOUR WELLBEING MATTERS.

POP IN - YOU'RE NOT ALONE.

A partnership between Clarion Futures and Trident Group

DEELANDS HALL COMMUNITY LOUNGE

Offering a wellbeing space

DEELANDS HALL
COMMUNITY LOUNGE
DEELANDS ROAD, B45 9RT

STARTING
FRIDAY
16TH
OCTOBER

12 TILL 3 | STARTS
FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER



3 COURSE
MEAL



WEEKLY
ACTIVITIES



CONNECT
AND UNWIND



MINDFUL
MOMENTS



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES



YOGA
SESSIONS



FITNESS



SING
A LONG



MAKE NEW
FRIENDS



ANNUAL EVENTS



DAY
TRIP



CHRISTMAS
PARTY



VALENTINES
PARTY



EASTER
AFTERNOON
TEA

SUPPORTED BY LAWRENCE TURNER MP



ALL
FREE



Trident
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Birmingham
City Council



COMMUNITY
FUND



YOGA

STARTING
6TH
OCTOBER



for Adults

GOOD FOR MIND AND BODY



REDUCES
STRESS



IMPROVES
FLEXIBILITY



BUILDS
STRENGTH



BOOSTS
MENTAL CLARITY



FREE



ADULTS SESSION
2.30PM - 3.30PM



STARTS
6TH OCTOBER



DEELANDS HALL
DEELANDS ROAD



CLARION
FUTURES



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STARTING
6TH
OCTOBER



Children & Families

GOOD FOR MIND AND BODY



BUILDS
CONFIDENCE



IMPROVES
FOCUS



ENCOURAGES
CALMNESS



AGES 5yrs to 18yrs

PARENTS CAN STAY WITH CHILDREN
AND JOIN IN!



SUPPORTS
HEALTHY GROWTH



DEVELOPS
BALANCE & COORDINATION



CHILDREN'S & FAMILY SESSION
4.00PM - 4.45PM



STARTS
6TH OCTOBER



DEELANDS HALL
DEELANDS ROAD



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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

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](#).

