



A nurturing
school

Colmers Farm Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th June 2026



Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a fabulous week in spite of the high temperatures we have all had to endure. This week has certainly been a challenge and I'm proud of the way that our pupils and staff have managed this situation. Hopefully next week will see a return to more 'normal' weather conditions.

Punctuality

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your
Child is Late Every Day By...

Your Child Would Have Lost
Approximately...

or They Would Have
Missed Approximately...

5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

WonderDome

On Monday, our school was visited by WonderDome, who provided an exciting and interactive space experience for pupils in Years 1–5. Inside the immersive dome, children explored fascinating topics including the planets, the moon, and the sun, while also learning about NASA and historic missions such as Apollo 11, as well as the future Artemis mission. The sessions were both educational and inspiring, sparking curiosity about space and science. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were enthusiastic about sharing what they had learned.



Kings Norton District Football Team

We are delighted to announce that Cuba and Owen (both in 5E) have been selected, after a successful trial, to join the Kings Norton District Football team. This is a fantastic achievement, and we are very proud of them both. Well done Cuba and Owen!

Voice 21 Oracy Centre of Excellence

Over the last few months we seem to have been renewing, upgrading or gaining new accreditations. This has included the Well-being Award (renewal), OPAL Platinum Award (New), Rights Respecting Gold Award (upgrade) and now the Voice 21 Oracy Centre of Excellence. Great oracy is something we have been working hard with at our school since 2019 and we will continue to develop this further. Being a great orator is so important for our pupils in their future lives. This award is however a great endorsement of all the hard work that has gone into this and where we now are as a journey. I would like to thank Miss Murphy (as our school's oracy lead) for leading on this award and also her predecessor Miss Hooper for all her hard work with this beforehand.



Caps, Suncream and Water

As the weather gets sunnier and hotter, please can we ask that suncream is applied to pupils before school and that they bring a suitable cap or hat into school. Could we also ask that pupils come into school with a suitable water bottle, filled with water please so they can stay hydrated. Thank you.

RNLI

Year 4 pupils recently took part in engaging and informative workshops delivered by the RNLI, where they learned all about water safety and the vital role lifeboats play in saving lives. The sessions helped pupils understand how to stay safe near water and what to do in an emergency, while also highlighting the dedication of RNLI volunteers. As part of their learning, Year 4 are proud to be supporting the RNLI as their chosen charity this year, helping to raise awareness of the important work they do.



Lifeboats

Recall of Squeezy Dummy Toys

Squeezy Dummy Toys are being recalled due to serious chemical risk. Testing found that the outer layer contains excessive levels of benzene. If inhaled, benzene can cause irritation to the eyes, nose and throat. Exposure to large amounts may also cause a burning sensation in the digestive tract and skin irritation. The product is sold in a plastic-style pot containing a single soft plastic dumpling. No batch numbers or product identifiers are provided on the product or packaging. If you have this product, stop using it immediately and keep it out of the reach of children.



E-safety Question

e-safety is a vital skill for all children to develop. This is why we ask you to ask and discuss with your children one e-safety question each week. See this week's question below.

You receive an email that looks like it is from your school, but the sender's email address is school-support123@gmail.com. What should you do?

- A) Reply straight away with your personal details
- B) Click any links in the email to check if it's real
- C) Report the email to a trusted adult or teacher and do not reply
- D) Forward the email to your friends to warn them

Correct answer: C. Report the email to a trusted adult or teacher and do not reply



I hope that you have a great weekend whatever you are up to. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Williams
Headteacher



Winning pupil –
Isaiah 6G



Winning class –
6F – 62,846,978



Winning class –
5HN
Winning pupil –
Demi-Lea 6F

Top 3 Class Scores This Week	
1 st	6G – 36910
2 nd	4B – 18484
3 rd	6F – 7634

Top 3 Pupil Scores This Week	
1 st	Noah 6F
2 nd	Elijah 4B
3 rd	Shea 4B

Next Week's Battles:	
Spelling Shed	3S vs 5E
Times Tables Rock Stars	6F vs 5E

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Monday 29 th June 2026	Science Lesson at Colmers School	Year 5
Wednesday 1 st July 2026	School Transition Day	Whole School
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Staff v Students Soccer Aid	2.30pm
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Tombola Donations for Summer Fair	Bring to School Office
Monday 6 th July 2026	Stratford-upon-Avon Trip	5HN
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Stratford-upon-Avon Trip	5E
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	Year 1 Showcase	2.15pm
Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Rock Steady Concert	Whole School
Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Safeside Fire Safety Trip	Year 6
Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Cake Donations for Summer Fair	Bring to School Office
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Cake Donations for Summer Fair	Bring to School Office
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Summer Picnic	Whole School at lunchtime
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Summer Fair	3.15pm – 4.30pm
Friday 10 th July 2026	Year 6 Cinema and Bowling Trip	Cinema – 10am Bowling – 1.30pm
Friday 10 th July 2026	Own Clothes Day	House Point Winners
Monday 13 th July	Science Day	Whole School – dress as scientists
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Governor Awards	Whole School
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	9.15am
Thursday 16 th July 2026	Party Day	Year 1-5 and EYFS – 1pm-3pm Year 6 Disco – 4.30pm-6pm
Friday 17 th July	EYFS Graduation	9.15am
Monday 20th July 2026	Summer Holidays	School closed to all pupils

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



Ethan	RJ	Jilani	RL	Ayaan	1W
Ralph	1RW	Harrison	2K	Theo	2L
Adriana	3M	Felicity	3S	Liliana	4B
Olivia	4J	Cuba	5E	Evie	5HN
Eden	6F	Chris	6G		



HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	164	127	154	159

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	1820	1951	2091	2050



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 
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Happy Birthday Messages

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

Jayden	3M	8
Savannah	6F	11
Paityn	5E	10
Avyanna	RJ	5
Kayla	6F	11
Ayan	RJ	5
Isra	6G	11
Rory	4J	9
Conor	2K	7



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 remember the different emotions we read about in *The Colour Monster*?
- Year 1:** What makes a good audience when you are performing your showcase?
- Year 2:** What did Jan Ingenhousz discover?
- Year 3:** What is an acute angle?
- Year 4:** What animals live in Antarctica?
- Year 5:** How many fruits can you name in French?
- Year 6:** How can you project your voice during a performance?

**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 **93.13%** - 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	91.60%	80.40%
RL	95.71%	87.62%
1RW	94.44%	91.48%
1W	98.00%	88.00%
2K	95.20%	88.80%
2L	94.00%	82.67%
3M	96.54%	84.62%
3S	92.50%	78.21%
4B	86.55%	81.03%
4J	94.19%	78.39%
5E	96.33%	89.33%
5HN	95.71%	83.57%
6F	88.89%	78.52%
6G	96.77%	85.81%

CLASS AWARDS:

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



1RW – 91.48%

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



5E – 89.33%



HAIRCUT MONDAYS

**FREE HAIR CUTS FOR ALL AGED 5-18 YEARS OLD
PROVIDED BY A PROFESSIONAL HAIRDRESSER**



**15TH JUNE 2026
22ND JUNE 2026
29TH JUNE 2026
27TH JULY 2026
3RD AUGUST 2026
17TH AUGUST 2026**

4PM-8PM

**PLEASE EMAIL BERNIE ON BERNIEM@TRIDENTGROUP.ORG.UK
OR PRIVATE MESSAGE ANITA ASHTON ON DEELANDS HALL
COMMUNITY GROUP ON FACEBOOK TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT
OR POP IN AND SEE A MEMBER OF THE TEAM**



**DEELANDS
COMMUNITY HALL
RUBERY B45 9RR**



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Water Safety Awareness Message from West Midlands Fire Service

During the hot spell over the late May Bank Holiday weekend and half-term holiday, there were a number of tragic incidents around the country, many involving young people. The forecast over the coming weeks is for temperatures to rise again.

To keep yourself and your loved ones safe around water please be aware of the following:

- Of all drownings in 2025, 57% took place in inland water – canals, rivers, lakes, ponds – the type of bodies of water we have lots of in the West Midlands.
- Even if the weather is warm the water may be cold, causing your body to go into cold water shock.
- If you fall into water Float to Live – put your head back, float on your back and keep yourself stable by using small movements of your hands.
- Once you are stable you may call for help or swim to the bank if it is feasible.
- Do not go into the water to save people or pets. Call 999 and ask for the Fire Service.

For more information about staying safe around water please visit the West Midlands Fire Service water safety page (<https://www.wmfs.net/safety/water-safety/>) or the RNLI Education Resources page (<https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources>).



Water safety matters



This week, we have been focusing on the important topic of water safety following recent events reported across the country during the half-term break.

As part of this learning, KS1 children watched a water safety video with their teachers and took part in class discussions about how to stay safe around water. KS2 pupils took part in a classroom assembly focused on recent news stories and the dangers of swimming in lakes, reservoirs, canals and other open water areas.

Our aim is to ensure that all children understand the potential dangers associated with water and know how to keep themselves safe, particularly as the warmer weather approaches and more families spend time outdoors.



Conversation starter for families. Parent– child discussion.

What are some safe and unsafe places to swim or play near water?

Why can lakes, reservoirs, canals and rivers be more dangerous than they look?

What should you do if you see someone in trouble in the water?

How can we make sure we stay safe when visiting the beach, swimming pool, or open water areas as a family?



Why is it important to listen to warning signs, lifeguards and adults around water?



Website to explore at home.

<https://rnli.org/youth-education/education-resources>

<https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/support-us/our-campaigns/safety-on-our-waterways/water-safety-for-kids>

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/resources-for-babies-and-pre-schools-children>

Water Safety Top Tips

Always swim with an adult nearby.

- Never swim in lakes, reservoirs, canals, or rivers.
- Read and follow warning signs around water.
- If you fall into water unexpectedly, remember:
Float to Live.
- In an emergency, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard if near the sea.

Remember: Water may look calm and safe, but hidden dangers such as cold temperatures, strong currents and deep water can be very dangerous.

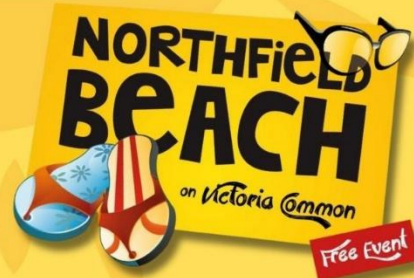


**NO
OUT
SIDERS**

Share #FloatToLive



Victoria Common, Northfield
Wednesday 22nd July 2026
10:00am – 4:00pm



A DAY OF FREE ACTIVITIES

for children and adults with additional needs and their families

Accessible / Disabled parking • Changing Places Toilet • SEND friendly
cooking, art, sports, crafts, circus, play • Level access site • Quiet /
Sensory dome • Disabled-led performances • Carers advice & support
• Northfield Disability Forum



**A day of free activities
at Victoria Common in
Northfield**

When: Wednesday 22nd July
10am to 4pm



A day of fun for children and adults with
extra needs and their families. Here are
some things you can join in with:



Arts and Crafts



Cooking



Sports



Circus



Shows by disabled performers



There is also a changing places toilet and
disabled parking.



We have free fruit and water.
And food stalls you can buy food from.





Be Empowered.....

BE EMPOWERED WORKSHOPS

- Early Support Programme for SEND Parent Carers



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 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=Z86aaeTSzUuzA9K74rm78UtsZJS1sGdFip4igifYn11UMFZROlpEUUJKNUJDTVBVRkE5NM3OUFXSC4u>) to submit online.



TO BOOK - Please complete the booking form and return to: BeEmpowered@birmingham.gov.uk
For more information please contact: Christine Legore on 07770 762056 or via email at christine.legore@birmingham.gov.uk or
Nathalie Messarvi on 07943 364833 or via email at nathalie.messarvi@birmingham.gov.uk

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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](#).