

Colmers Farm Newsletter **E**



Dear Parents,

This week, both Year 1 and Year 2 held their inspire parents' workshops. The Year 1 meeting focused on phonics and reading and the Year 2 meeting focused on reading and writing. Thank you to all of those parents who were able to attend these sessions. I hope that you all found these useful and that you will all be using some of the games and strategies that you found out about on these days, to support your child's learning at home. If you were unable to attend your child's inspire session, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be able to share the content of this meeting with you.

Reading at home is really important for your child. It has a host of benefits such as it:

- improves your child's confidence and skills when reading;
- improves your child's concentration skills;
- teaches children about the world around them;
- increases your child's vocabulary and their language skills;
- improves their writing;
- develops their imagination;
- is a great chance for some parent/child time;
- develops your child's empathy towards others;
- helps your child to achieve better at school.

Please try to spend regular time (ideally daily) with your child reading at home. It really has a huge impact. If you require any advice about how you can support your child at home with any of their learning, please speak to your child's class teacher.

This week our Year 2s went on a trip to All Things Wild (in Honeybourne near Evesham). This trip was to support their topic this term about dinosaurs. Here they got to see models of dinosaurs and explore the fossils and skeletons of a range of different prehistoric creatures. They also got to 'walk through' the different prehistoric time periods, as the dinosaurs did not all exist during the same time period. To finish off with, the children then had a lesson about different animal habitats. Although it was certainly not the best of days weather wise, the children all really enjoyed themselves and they learnt a lot. Thank you parents, for sending all of the children in clothing that kept them warm during this day. Unfortunately, our Year 2s were stuck in traffic at the end of the day, so they returned later than we had hoped. Please accept my sincere apologies for this and thank you for your patience and understanding about this.

Congratulations to all of the children, who braved the torrential rain on Thursday, to play in a football tournament at Green Meadow. They were unbeaten for the whole tournament and narrowly missed out on top spot by a single point. A special congratulations however goes to Jack, who was player of the tournament. Well done!

Thank you parents and children for supporting Children in Need today. It was great to see so many staff and children getting into the spirit of this and dressing up in their pyjamas, in spots and even as Pudsey himself. The amount raised today was £170.50. All of this money will go to support this very worthwhile charity.

I hope that you all have a lovely and relaxing weekend.

Mr Williams, Headteacher

Friday 15th November 2019

DIARY DATES

Thursday 21st November Immunisation Team - Flu Vaccine Tuesday 26th November

Yr 3 – Parents' Workshop

Yr 6 - Parents' Writing Inspire Workshop

Friday 13th December

Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 4th December

Yr 2 – Showcase Assembly 2.00pm

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Paige in Reception, Roseanna in Yr1, Arley-Joe in 2H, Max in Yr 4 and Kyla-Rose in Yr 5

Well Done!





WELL DONE

Who won the 100% raffle ticket?

In this week's Raffle, Poppy in Year 1 was the lucky girl to win the KS1 prize, and Rubenn in Year 4 was also this week's lucky winner.

The School Nurses from the Immunisation Team will be in school on:

Thursday 21st November, to administer the flu vaccine (nasal spray) to all pupils whose parents have given consent.



NATIONAL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET: 96%

Our current whole school attendance percentage is: 94.9%

This time last year our whole school attendance percentage was 93.4%

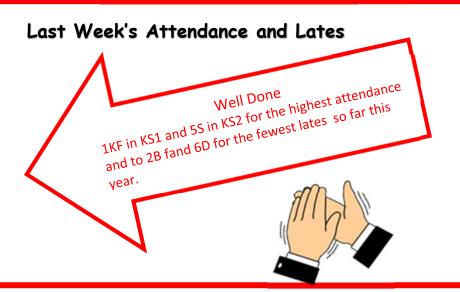
Please try to send your child to school everyday

IMPORTANT NOTICE

School attendance and punctuality are a high priority. As a school we are legally required to accurately record children's attendance and reasons for absence or lateness.

The doors to school open at 8:35am. All children are expected to enter school via a playground door between 8:35am and 8:45am. After this, children will need to be brought through main reception where staff will ask for a reason for lateness. We kindly remind parents to be polite and respectful to staff when asked about lateness and absence.

		This week		So far this year	
	Ī	Attendance	No of	Attendance	No of
			Lates		Lates
Rec	RW	93.2%	1	96.3%	19
	RC	90.3%	11	95.3%	45
Year 1	1KF	96.6%	7	94.5%	36
	1HF	93.1%	1	94.7%	14
Year 2	2H	95.2%	6	96.7%	35
	2B	94.8%	2	96.2%	13
Year 3	3B	95.3%	7	94.8%	33
	3 <i>6</i>	94.5%	9	94.3%	41
Year 4	4M	95.9%	5	95.6%	36
	4Ј	96.4%	4	96.9%	14
Year 5	5TM	95.3%	1	97.9%	9
	55	97.0%	3	95.5%	16
Year 6	6 <i>A</i>	94.4%	10	92.2%	46
	6D	96.8%	0	95.2%	5



We are looking for a gardener, who can help us with our school allotment
5 hours, 1 day per week.

If you are interested, please leave your contact details with the school reception.





REMINDERS

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school at the start of every day.

Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school at the start of the school week.