

Colmers Farm Newsletter



Fridav 29th November 2019

Dear Parents,

This week Year 3 and Year 6 have held their English Inspire meetings. It was lovely to see so many parents attending these. Hopefully you found them useful and you now have some more ideas about activities you can carry out at home to support your child's learning. If you were unable to attend your child's inspire session, please speak to your child's class teacher and they will be able to give you a copy of any resources used.



Thank you for all of the Parents' Curriculum Consultation letters that were returned to school. I have read every one of these. Nearly all of the feedback was positive about our new curriculum which was great. There were also some good constructive improvement points identified. Below are some of the points raised.

Some parents said they would like to see children visiting different place of worship.

This is something we are going to do. Each year group from 2-6 will visit a place of worship to support their RE topic each year.

Some parents were disappointed that the Space topic in Year 5 had been replaced.

The children will still study space, but as part of their science topic. This will involve a visit to the National Space Centre in Leicester in the summer term.

A range of skills and qualities were identified for inclusion in our curriculum

The most popular skills and qualities identified included personal safety, problem solving, debating/speaking confidently. We will look at including as many of these skills and others suggested into our new personal development curriculum (PSHE). This week, our teachers have received training to launch the Oracy Project at Colmers. This is designed to develop children's confidence and skills when talking and debating. Hopefully, you will see the impact of this soon.

Some parents were concerned about children repeating a topic from last year due to some topics being moved around.

We have questioned some children about their topics from across the school, including the Roman topic which has been repeated. Although it has been repeated, the children have been able to study this topic in more depth and to study other areas not touched upon previously. Feedback from those children spoken to has been positive and their knowledge has been excellent. Once the curriculum is fully in place, children should not be repeating topics in future years.

After the Christmas holidays, we will be making some changes to our lunchtime menus. This will be a trial in the first instance. This will include the introduction of tex mix beef enchiladas and vegetable fajitas. We will be publishing our new trial menus in the near future.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Mr Williams Headteacher

NATIONAL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET: 96%

Our current whole school attendance percentage is: 95.7%

This time last year, our whole school attendance percentage was 93.5% 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.

Last Week's Attendance and Lates

		This week		So far this year	
		Attendance	No of Lates	Attendance	No of Lates
Reception	RW	90.4%	6	95.7%	26
	RC	83.3%	9	93.5%	56
Year 1	1KF	86.4%	0	93.9%	40
	1HF	93.7%	0	94.8%	14
Year 2	2H	93.8%	9	96.4%	52
	2 B	92.8%	1	96.1%	16
Year 3	3 G	94.5%	4	94.3%	50
	3B	95.3%	8	94.9%	48
Year 4	4M	94.1%	3	95.4%	43
	4 J	91.4%	6	96.7%	25
Year 5	5TM	91.3%	1	97.4%	13
	5S	94.7%	3	95.5%	24
Year 6	6A	91.2%	4	94.2%	57
	6D	96.0%	1	97.4%	7

Well Done

2H in KS1 **and 6D** in KS2 for the highest attendance **1HF, 1KF** and for the fewest lates.



Who won the 100% attendance raffle ticket?

In this week's raffle, Rainy in Year 1 was the lucky girl to win the KS1 prize and Kiera in Year 3 was also this week's lucky winner.

WELL DONE



HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Isaiah in Reception, Kayleigh in Yr1, Gabriella in Year 2, Millie-Mae in Yr 4, Georga in Yr 5 and Caaliyah in Yr 6

Well Done!



Year 2 Showcase Assembly

Due to the continuing heating work, we still have no school hall. Unfortunately, Year 2 will be cancelling their Deadly Dinosaurs showcase assembly.

The Year 2 Team

DIARY DATES

Friday 13th December
Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 18th December
School Christmas Dinner
Thursday 19th December
EYFS Christmas Nativity Performance
Friday 20th December
School closes for Christmas Half Term
Tuesday 7th January
Children back to school

We are looking to employ a Lunchtime Supervisor.

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

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

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THIS WEEKS SCHOOL MEALS



MONDAY

Burger or Fish Finger in a Bun Chicken Nuggets Vegetable Quiche (V)

Diced Potatoes

Baked Beans

Muffins, Fruit or Yoghurt

TUESDAY

Pasta Bolognaise Omelette (V)

Garlic Bread Potato Wedges

Peas & Carrots

Summer Berry Sponge & Custard, Fruit or Yoghurt

WEDNESDAY

Roast Turkey & Stuffing Quorn Burger (V)

Roast Potatoes Fresh Brocoli & Sweetcorn

Homemade Cookies, Fruit or Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Fish Fingers Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread (V)

> Mashed Potatoe Peas & Mixed Veg

Lemon Sponge & Custard, Fruit or Yoghurt

FRIDAY

Margherita Pizza (V) Fish Goujons

Chips

Beans & Sweetcorn

Artic Roll, Fruit or Yoghurt

Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day Bread Option