

Colmers Farm Newsletter



Friday 17th December, 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our final newsletter of 2020. I hope that your Christmas preparations are going well, if you are celebrating this festival. I think that it is very fair to say that this year has not quite turned out the way that we all imagined. Let us hope that next year goes more to plan.

You should have received your child's knowledge organiser for their next topic this week. Please spend some time going through this with your child. These are important so that all of our children have a good starting knowledge of their topic before they start it. On the knowledge organisers there are also some homework project ideas, which you can complete with your child. These are a great way to spend some quality time with your children (whilst also developing your child's knowledge about a topic along with their art and design and technology skills). We always love seeing these and having these brought into school. Your creativity is always fabulous! The homework produced is always displayed in classrooms and outside of my office. If you have not received your child's knowledge organiser, this is also available in the curriculum section of our school website.

Year 5 have this term been learning about Islam in their RE lessons. To help enrich this experience, the teachers in Year 5 organised a special online workshop to find out more about Islam and in particular, about the pilgrimage of Hajj. Our Year 5 children enjoyed finding out more about this and asked some really good questions. Well done Year 5.

On Wednesday and Thursday this week, many of our children (and staff) had their Christmas school dinners. These were well enjoyed by all. A big thank you to our kitchen staff for all their hard work in preparing these.

Christmas parties are always a nice way to end the autumn term (even if they do create a bit of tidying up afterwards). I popped into several parties and it was great to see everybody enjoying themselves. Thank you parents for sending in your party snack lunch boxes. Our reception, year 1 and year 2 children also had a surprise visitor who peered through the classroom windows to check if our children were being naughty or nice. I think he went away being very impressed!

The holidays can be a worrying time for many people due to a variety of factors. Today we have sent home some useful pocket cards (one for children and one for adults) with some helpful contacts on them to use if you feel unsafe for any reason over the holiday period.

Unfortunately, this is a really sad time at Colmers Farm as we are saying goodbye to a number of our valued staff members today. Mrs Chatwin, Mrs Corbett, Mr Bristoll, Mrs Young, Mrs Fitzgerald and Mrs Bains (who will still be working in our kitchens at dinnertime) are all leaving us after many years of service at Colmers Farm. We will miss them all greatly and we thank them for all their hard work at our school. We all wish them the greatest of success in their new ventures and hopefully they will keep in touch to let us know how they are going.

In January, we will be welcoming a new member of staff to our office team called Mrs Creba. She has lots of experience of working in a school office and I am sure that you will all make her feel welcome.

I hope that you have a wonderful holiday with your children and Merry Christmas and a happy new year to you all. I look forward to seeing everybody safely back in school on Tuesday 5th January 2021. Please remember that Monday 4th January 2021 is a training day.

Mr Williams Headteacher

OUR TREE OF ACHIEVEMENT



LOOK WHOSE LEAVES OF ACHIEVEMENT HAVE BEEN HUNG ON OUR TREE THIS WEEK

Ellíe-Maí ín RF Kaelynn and Annabelle-Rose ín Year 1 Jax and ín Year 2 Lawson and Mason ín Year 3 Sophíe and Maddíson ín Year 4 Carla and Olívía ín Year 5 Mason and Inayat ín Year 6 Well Done!

HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY

Due to the Coronavirus, Our Hot Chocolate Fridays can no longer take place with Mr Williams in his office. We are pleased to say that the children will be bringing a Hot Chocolate goodie bag home with them at the end of the day if they were lucky enough to be drawn out, our lucky winners are:

Jaxon in RC, Leo in 1F, Tim in 2H, Kayden in 3B, Logan in 4G, Demi in 5TM and Millie in 6D

Well Done!



This week's winners of the Colmers' Cat and Colmers' Camel are:









Well Done for your great attendance and punctuality!

WHO WON THE 100% ATTENDANCE RAFFLE TICKET?

The winning ticket this week was number 96 and the lucky girl to win the raffle Myah in Reception. I wonder what prize she will choose

