

### **Colmers Farm Primary School**



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025

#### **Dear Parents/Carers**

I hope that you have had a good week and welcome to the penultimate newsletter of this academic year. It is always a busy last couple of weeks to the end of the year.

### **End of Year Reports**

Today you should have received via email a copy of your child's end of year report, if you have not, please contact our school office. We hope that you enjoy reading this summary of your child's achievements over this year. If you wish to organise a meeting with your child's class teacher to discuss the report, please contact our school office on Monday and they will organise a time for you to do this.

### Year 1 Showcase

Thank you to all the parents/carers who were able to attend the Year 1 showcase about Explorers. We hope that you enjoyed this and were as proud of your children as we were. Year 1 children always amaze me with how much they grow in a year in terms of their skills and independence. Thank you to all our pupils and staff in Year 1 for such a fabulous showcase.

#### **Excelsior Olympics**

On Wednesday, pupils from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Excelsior Olympics at King Edwards Grammar School. They took part in a range of events including running, javelin, relays, an obstacle course, long jump and many other events. We are delighted to announce that we won the Year 5 and 6 element of the competition and we finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. A huge well done to all our pupils who took part and who represented our school so well. Thank you to Miss Jennings and Miss McCarron for taking our pupils to this event.



#### **Science Day**

On Thursday, we had our annual science day. It was wonderful seeing so many pupils walking around school dressed as scientists. Thank you, parents/carers, for your efforts with their outfits. Our pupils enjoyed this day finding out about different scientists and carrying out a range of science-based activities and experiments. A big thank you to Miss Wood for organising this very successful event.

#### **Preloved uniform**

If you have any uniform that your child has outgrown, please consider donating these items to Rubery or you can drop these into school by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July for us to donate these items to families in need.

### PE kits for next year

We are making a change to our PE kits from September. From September we would like our pupils to wear a coloured t-shirt which reflects their team house for their PE lessons. The colours for each house are below.

- Red Hawkesley
- Navy blue Cofton
- Yellow Tessall
- Green Frankley



The navy or black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms will remain the same.

### **Our Statutory Results**

We are delighted to share with you our school's statutory results in the table below.

	Colmers Farm 2025	National Average 2025
EYFS – Good level of development	68%	68% (2024)
Year 1 - Phonics	83%	80% (2024)
Year 2 – Phonics	88%	89% (2024)
Year 4 – Multiplication times table check	48% (got full marks – 25/25)	34% (2024)
Year 6 Reading SATs	77%	75%
Year 6 Writing	77%	72%
Year 6 Maths SATs	77%	74%
Year 6 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar SATs	81%	73%
Year 6 Expected or + in Reading, Writing and Maths Combined)	70%	62%

A huge thank you to all the staff and the pupils who have been involved in these tests. We are immensely proud of each and every one of you! Well done!

### **Golf Competition**

Six Year 4 and 5 pupils represented our school at a golf competition at the Licky Hill Golf Course after school on Thursday. Our pupils thoroughly enjoyed this experience, and they interacted well with the pupils from the three other schools present. Thank you for representing us so well.

#### **Colourful Umbrellas**

We are currently collecting colourful umbrellas (any size) for a project that we would like to complete in our EYFS outdoor space. If you have any that you can donate, we would be very grateful. Thank you for any donations in advance.

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.



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Mr Williams Headteacher

### **Dates for your diary**

Date	Event	Additional Information
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Performance	Year 6
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year disco	Whole school
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Disco – Year 6	4:30-6pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> august	Summer Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils

### What's new on the school website

- Literacy Shed: Big Holiday Read letter
- Party Day letter
- Updated statutory assessment results page



### This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

> Ava **1W** 2L Rayne Isla-Rose **3P Paityn 4**J **Spencer** 5F

Gabby

Harvey

**Evelyn** 6B - lunchtime award!



### This week's congratulations

**6B** 

### assembly recipients...



RL Elijah RL Lydia **Khmarrie Aydin 1W Brayden** 1K Hannah Callum Jace **2M** 35 **Troyzier** Scarlet **4**J Nonso 4HN Skyla Daisy 5F Mariam 6G Georgie Robin 6G



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### **HOUSE POINTS**

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	150	167	122	122

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	3737	3815	3986	3776













#### **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: Why was Elmer different to the other elephants?

Year 1: What is an array? Show me.

Year 2: How can you measure the mass of an object?

Year 3: What coins could we use to make £6 and 73p?

Year 4: What has been your favourite piece of learning in Year 4?

Year 5: Who was Sir Francis Drake?

Year 6: What is one of your most memorable moments from Year 6?

### **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 36



You have the right to protection from any kind of exploitation (being taken advantage of).











# Weekly Assembly

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

#### Years 1-3



Larry Farrish Jnr. is a school bus driver in Louisville, Kentucky, USA. He drives the bus to school every day and so he gets to know the children.

Why does he know all the children he drives to school?

How do you think he gets to know them?

#### Years 4-6



Gregory Locke from NYC boarded a subway train at Manhattan to find swastikas and racist graffiti daubed on all of the advertisements.

What are swastikas, what do they mean?

Where does racism come from?

Why would someone write racist graffiti, what is their intention, how are they trying to make different people on the train feel?









## 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:





If you have safeguarding concerns about a child, please email our school using the following email address: safeguarding@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

If you concern is urgent and it is out of school hours, please contact Birmingham Children's Trust - Emergency out-of-hours number: 0121 675 4806



### **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.



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 <a href="help@NSPCC.org.uk">help@NSPCC.org.uk</a> at any time. Alternatively <a href="mailto:submit an online form">submit an online form</a>.