

Colmers Farm Primary School



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week.

Year 6 SATs Week

This week has been a big week for our Year 6 children as they have completed their SATs. These test each child's reading, maths and spelling, punctuation and grammar skills. Our Year 6s have tackled these tests with great levels of resilience... and dare I say enthusiasm. We are very proud of all our Year 6 children and hopefully they will get the results they all deserve after their hard work this year. Unfortunately though, we do have to wait until early July to get these results.

Although the SATs are now finished, Year 6 is not over. Year 6 will now continue working on their writing assessments and they will be covering other elements of the curriculum to enable them to make the best possible start next year to their new schools. They will also, after term, start working on their Year 6 leavers' production, which I am sure will be fabulous.

Women in Maths Day

This week our children celebrated Women in Maths Day. Pupils learnt about various careers in maths, and we discussed that statistically men are more likely to have careers in the field of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and maths). We hope that our annual celebration of Women in Maths Day will raise aspirations for all our pupils. The day links closely to our No Outsiders values as pupils learn about equality. Each year group focused on an inspirational significant figure. Pupils have been encouraged to produce a piece of work based this person for a homework competition. We are really looking forward to receiving all of the the entries. Runners-up and winners will be celebrated after May half-term - very exciting!

Parental Questionnaires

At this time of the year, we send a questionnaire out to parents to find out about your perceptions of our school. You should have received a copy of this from your child today. The results of these questionnaires are important to us and we use these to help inform our school improvement priorities for next year. We would be grateful if these questionnaires could please be returned to school by Friday 23rd May. Thank you in advance for completing and returning these.

Young Artists

Art is a subject that has a high profile at Colmers Farm and the work that our children produce during their weekly art and design and technology lessons is a privilege to see.

Children from our after-school provision have taken place in a competition to design a Mythical Creature, for publication in an upcoming book called Mythical Madness. I am delighted to announce that seven children were chosen to have their designs published. Congratulations to Michael (4HN),

Natasha (1K), Kian (3S), Evelyn (4HN), Isabella (3S), Freya (RL) and Betty (5E). I look forward to seeing your designs in print.

Pupil achievements

Well done to Eliana and Ennah who achieved the highest grade of Distinction in the recent Preparatory Ballet Exams!

Also, a very big well done to Anieva for achieving her first Kickboxing belt Keep up the hard work and dedication Anieva.

Ruby had a fabulous time celebrating VE Day at the local community hall. What a wonderful way to celebrate the 80th anniversary last week.







Coombs apology

We are aware that both the VE Day picnic and yesterday's McDonalds theme day did not go as planned. Coombs, our new catering company, would like to extend their sincerest apologies for any upset and disappointment caused and will be looking to rectify this in the coming week with another theme day for all children to enjoy. More information will be sent out after half term.

Rounders Games

After school on Thursday, ten Year 5 and 6 children went to St Mary's to play some competitive rounders games. Our team played games against West Heath, The Meadows (our newest school in Excelsior Trust) and St Mary's. Our children represented our school fabulously and they had great fun. Thank you to everyone who took part.

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Williams

Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Thursday 22 nd May	Birmingham Walk	3\$
Friday 23 rd May	Birmingham Walk	3P
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	May Half Term	School closed to all pupils
Monday 2 nd June	School Class Photos	Whole School
Wednesday 11 th June	Mosque Visit	5F
Thursday 12 th June	Mosque Visit	5E
Wednesday 18 th June	Sports Day	Whole School
Monday 23 rd June	Selly Manor Trip	Year 5
Wednesday 25 th June	Animal Man	EYFS
Wednesday 25 th June	Beach Trip	2M
Thursday 26 th June	Beach Trip	2L
Monday 30 th June – Thursday 3 rd July	Book Fair	
Wednesday 2 nd July	School Transition Day	Whole school
Thursday 3 rd July	School Summer Fair	3:15pm – 4:30pm
Wednesday 9 th July	Explorer Showcase	Year 1
Friday 11 th July	Bowling & Cinema	Year 6
Friday 11 th July	School Reports Sent Out	Whole school
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Performance	Year 6
Wednesday 16 th July	End of year disco	Whole school
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Disco	Year 6
Thursday 17 th July	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 21st July	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 22 nd July – Friday 29 th august	Summer Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 1 st September	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 2 nd September	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils

What's new on the school website

- School Parliament Buddy Bench letter
- Year 6 film afternoon letter



Grammar School Entrance Test

Registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for a place at any of the grammar schools in Birmingham/West Midlands (entry to Year 7 in September 2026).

Registration can be made online by visiting the website below.

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 27th June 2025.

The test will take place on 13th September 2025.

 $\underline{www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk}$

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Teddy RL Aria **1W** 2L lvy Ava-Grace **3P** Michael 4HN

> 5F Dior Harvey **6B**

Aydin 1W - lunchtime award!





This week's congratulations

assembly recipients...



Isla Aliyah Reggie Sara

Lucas

RJ **1K** 35

4HN **6B**

Freya Regon Olivia Ava

Whole Class

RL

2M

3P

Ava

Stephen

Ethan

Louie

6G





HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	232	228	242	295

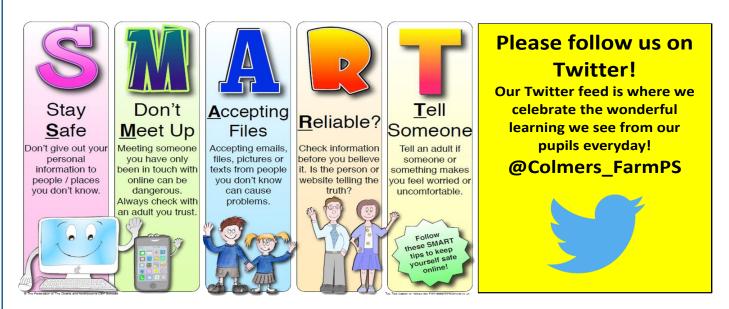
	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	2975	3039	3175	2870













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: What are our three special words from The Girl and The Dinosaur story?

Year 1: If you have seven 5p coins, how much money do you have?

Year 2: Name the five oceans in the world?

Year 3: What should you eat to ensure that you have a balanced diet?

Year 4: How are you feeling about the Times Table Checker? How are you trying to

improve your confidence?

Year 5: How did the Tudor era begin?

Year 6: Who was Florence Nightingale?







4J vs 5F Winner – 4J 3S vs 5E Winner – 5E

3P vs 4HN Winner – 4HN

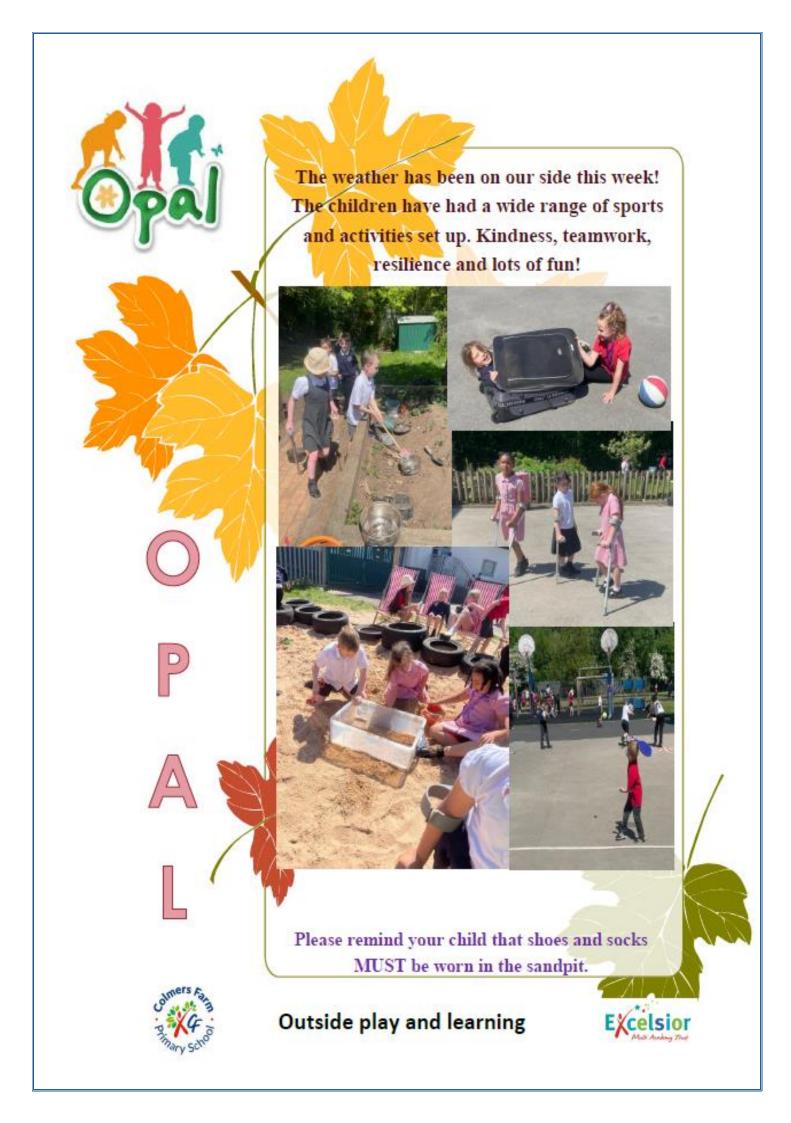
To	p 3 Pupil Scores This	
Week		
1 st	Wayne 4J	
2 nd	Shae W 3S	
3 rd	Kian 35	





Next Week's Battles:		
Spelling Shed	5F vs 3P	
Mathletics	6B vs 3S	
TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS	4J vs 6G	
Rest Week: 4HN &		

5E



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 28



You have the right to a good quality education.

You should be encouraged to go to school to the highest level you can.











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:









Mrs Young DHT Lead <u>DSL</u>

Mrs Taylor Pastoral Care 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 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 help@NSPCC.org.uk at any time. Alternatively submit an online form.