



Colmers Farm Primary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th February 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome Back!

It was wonderful to welcome pupils back to school this week. Finally, we have some sunshine, and it feels like spring is finally in the air.



Watch this space!

You may have noticed the huge hole in the field over by the nursery fence; we are excited to let you know we are building a sandpit for the children to enjoy as part of our OPAL provision. This should be open by the Easter holidays, ready for the sunshine and warm weather! Please keep your children away from this hole until it is completed and safe.



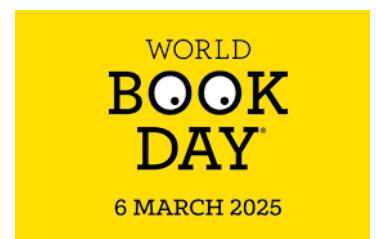
Black Country Museum visit – Year 1.



On Wednesday and Thursday this week the children in Year 1 visited the Black Country Living Museum. This trip complemented their learning about Victorian Britain and houses and homes. The children were very well behaved and enjoyed the visit – especially the trip to the Victorian cinema.

World Book Day.

Next week we will be celebrating World Book Day. For children in Years 1 to 6 this will be on Thursday and for Reception this will be on Friday due to their visits to the farm. Children are more than welcome to come to school dressed as a book character, however we understand that costumes are expensive and that is why we are asking children to come in a costume **OR** something cosy to enjoy reading in, including their pyjamas.



Read-a-Thon.

As part of World Book Day, we are running a Read-a-thon where children will be encouraged to read as much as possible and be sponsored for their reading efforts by friends and family. You may choose to sponsor your child by the number of pages or books that they choose to read or for the length of time they spend reading.

The money raised from this will contribute towards a poetry visit from the poet Spoz who is an award-winning performance poet, singer, songwriter, film maker and playwright. You can find out more about his work on his website here <https://spozsite.wordpress.com/>.

Parents Lottery

Don't forget to sign up to our Parent Lottery! Every ticket sold helps us provide the enriching education experiences our children deserve.

There will be various prizes up for grabs each week including the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot. 60% of each ticket you purchase goes to us as a school to help with our ongoing fundraising.



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Thank you as always for your continued support.

E. Young.

Mrs Young
Head of School

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Monday 3 rd March	Secondary School Places offered	Year 6
Monday 3 rd March	Rock Kidz	Whole school
Monday 3 rd March	Height & Weight checks	Year 6
Wednesday 5 th March	Attwell Farm Visit	RL 
Thursday 6 th March	Attwell Farm Visit	RJ
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day	Whole school
Monday 10 th March	Parents Maths Workshop	Year 2
Monday 17 th March	Open Morning	Year 6
Tuesday 18 th March	West Midlands Fire visiting	Year 4
Wednesday 19 th March	Poetry Workshop with Spoz	Year 4 and 5
Wednesday 19 th March	Maths Workshop	Year 1
Monday 24 th March	Open Morning	Year 1
Tuesday 25 th March	Open Morning	Year 5
Wednesday 9 th March	Parent Maths Workshop	Year 1
Wednesday 2 nd April	Open Morning	EYFS
Thursday 3 rd April	Pee, Poop and Paper Assembly	Whole School
Monday 7 th April	Open Morning	Year 2
Tuesday 8 th April	Open Morning	Year 3
Tuesday 8 th April	Year 4 Showcase	2pm
Thursday 10 th April	Governor Award Assemblies	
Thursday 1 st May	Gurdwara Trip	4J 
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Thursday 8 th May	Gurdwara Trip	4HN

Monday 12 th May	International Women in Maths Day	
Mon 14 th April – Fri 25 th April	Easter Holidays	School closed to all pupils
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday	School closed
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	May Half Term	School closed to all pupils
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
Mon 30 th June – Thur 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	School Reports Sent Out	Whole school
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Performance	Year 6
Wednesday 16 th July	Leavers Disco	Year 6
Thursday 17 th July	Governor Award Assemblies	
Monday 21 st July	Teacher Training Day	School closed to all pupils

What's new on the school website

- World Book Day letter – EYFS
- World Book Day Read-a-thon letter
- Ramadan fasting letter
- SRE letters: KS1 and KS2
- Mother's Day fundraising letter
- Fab Bricks fundraising letter
- World Book Day letter Yr 1 – Yr 6



This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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



Eva-Rose	RJ
Awere	1K
Regon	2M
Autumn	3P
Duaa	4J
Ava-Rose	5E
Evelyn	6B



This week's congratulations assembly recipients...



Eva-Rose	RJ	Finley	RL	Jacob	1W
Jayden	1K	Tori	2M	Meadow	2L
Poppy	3S	Summer-Rai	3P	Wayne	4J
Ruby	4HN	Arash	5E	Anieva	5F
Callum	6B	Gabriel	6G		







HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	77	96	90	80

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	1579	1616	1702	1422

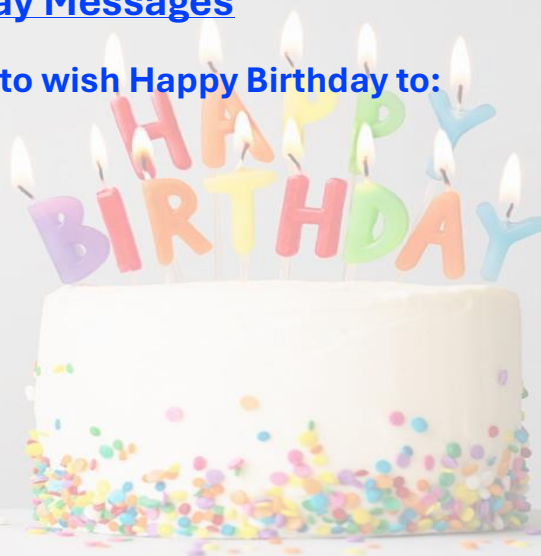


<h1>S</h1> <h2>Stay Safe</h2> <p>Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.</p> 	<h1>M</h1> <h2>Don't Meet Up</h2> <p>Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.</p>	<h1>A</h1> <h2>Accepting Files</h2> <p>Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.</p> 	<h1>R</h1> <h2>Reliable?</h2> <p>Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?</p> 	<h1>T</h1> <h2>Tell Someone</h2> <p>Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.</p> <p>Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!</p>	<p>Please follow us on Twitter!</p> <p>Our Twitter feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning we see from our pupils everyday!</p> <p>@Colmers_FarmPS</p> 
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Happy Birthday Messages

For this week we would like to wish Happy Birthday to:

Hazel	3P	8
Daisy	RJ	5
Derry	RL	5
Kayleigh	6B	11
Michael	6G	11



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 has happened to the eggs in our classroom?

Year 1: What was your favourite part of our trip to the Black Country Living Museum?

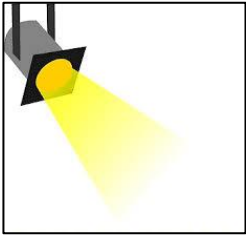
Year 2: What is the role of a conjunction?

Year 3: What do you predict will happen to a plant if it is placed in a dark cupboard?

Year 4: What can we use graphs for? What subjects would you use a graph in?

Year 5: What is climate change?

Year 6: How can we deconstruct a question to ensure we answer it accurately?



Colmers Farm Primary School is committed to placing the Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of its ethos and values. Attendance at school is crucial if children are to achieve well, enjoy their education and have the best start possible to their life-long learning journey. All children have the right to go to school and to gain a good education.

This policy links with the following Articles from the Convention;

Article 3 All adults should do what is best for you. Everyone who works with children should work towards what is best for you, making the best decisions for you, including starting good attendance habits.

Article 28 All children have the right to good quality education. All children should be allowed to go to school to the highest level that they can and attend at all times possible.



Class	% present	
	% up to February half term	This week
RJ	91.5%	95.7%
RL	93.2%	94.0%
1K	91.8%	97.4%
1W	92.5%	88.8%
2L	90.5%	90.7%
2M	93.8%	94.2%
3P	93.1%	99.2%
3S	90.5%	85.2%
4HN	95.7%	98.4%
4J	94.7%	95.0%
5E	94.0%	88.4%
5F	94.5%	92.0%
6B	94.1%	97.7%
6G	87.0%	92.1%

CLASS AWARDS:

The class with the highest attendance in EYFS / KS1 and the winner of the Colmers Cat this week is:



1K – 97.4%

The class with the highest attendance in KS2 and the winner of the Colmers Camel this week is:



3P – 99.2%

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



The shape of a snowflake is formed as it falls through the air. Even if two snowflakes fall side by side, they will be blown through different levels of humidity and vapour; no two journeys are exactly the same so every flake is unique.



Years 4-5

A train conductor in Belgium received a formal complaint last month because of the language he used to greet passengers when he said "Good morning!".



**NO
OUT
SIDERS**
'All different, All welcome'



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.



	Class Name	Number of words this year
1 st	5E	294,433
2 nd	6G	147,395
3 rd	4J	108,805

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	5F	24,475,657
2 nd	6G	21,223,778
3 rd	3S	13,102,839
4 th	2L	4,639,546

	Class Name	Number of Points This Week
1 st	3S	30,158
2 nd	6B	12,480
3 rd	2L	6,990
4 th	4J	6,819

Last week's top scorers	
1 st	Betty (5E) 60, 129
2 nd	Euan (6G) 32,107
3 rd	Arash (5E) 23,536
Highest one week score this year	
Timothy (6G) 1,508,580	

Last week's top scorers	
1 st	Kian (3S) 153,935,019
2 nd	Millie (6B) 49,037,042
3 rd	Lucas O (6B) 39,410,176
Highest total score this year	
Godpower (4J) 3,768,630,451	

Top 3 Pupil Scores This Week	
1 st	Shea (3S) 18,796
2 nd	Lucas (6B) 12,180
3 rd	Wayne (4J) 6,240
Pupil With The Highest Total Points 2024-2025	
Lucas (6B) 186,030	



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 DSL



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



BIRMINGHAM
CHILDREN'S TRUST

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.



NSPCC

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](#).