

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week

Furbabies

Last Friday, the charity Furbabies came into school to do a question-and-answer session with our Year 6 pupils about the work they do. This charity rescues, rehabilitates and rehomes cats and kittens. Year 6 are raising money and collecting donations for the very well-deserved charity before the end of the school year. Details about this are contained later in this newsletter.



Girls' Football Team

On Monday after school, ten of our girls took part in the Kings Norton District Finals 7-a-side tournament. It was a huge achievement to make it to these finals and although we did not win, the girls all enjoyed themselves and they scored some fabulous goals. Well done to everyone who took part and a big thank you to Miss McCarron and Miss Jennings for taking the children.

Weston Super Mare Visit

Last year, Mrs Young and I found two old books kept by the first headteacher of Colmers Farm where he recorded events which happened in the school. One of these events was Colmers Farm's first ever trip to Weston Super Mare in 1948, which was fully documented. One of their coaches "disappeared for attention to tyres" and "the children had the thrill of seeing large aeroplanes taking off" from an aerodrome.

"No word of command or cautionary tales were needed. With one accord they all made a dash for the sands. Donkey rides, football, skipping, ice-cream; even crabs were enjoyed in joyous abandon to the festive spirit of the day."

This must have been a fabulous trip for these children, who had only a few years earlier endured the traumatic events of WW2.



77 years later, our intrepid Year 2 children made the same journey. Each class had a fantastic day on the beach and made memories which will last them a lifetime. Photos from this trip are on the news section of our school's website . Thank you to all the staff who went on this trip, and without whom this could not have happened.

Netball Game

Our girls' netball team were in action again on Tuesday, when they had their rematch against Harborne Primary School. We won 7-4! Well done to everyone who took part and especially to Mariam who won the player of the game award.

Cricket Teams

On Thursday, after school, some of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in a cricket competition. The boys' and the girls' teams performed magnificently, and they all enjoyed this. Special congratulations though to the girls' team, who were crowned Kings Norton Cricket District Champions. A fantastic achievement! Well done to everyone who took part.

EYFS Animal Man Visit

This week our EYFS children welcomed Laura from The Animal Man company who bought some wonderful creatures along with her a range of creatures including a honey bear, owl, bearded dragon and corn snake to name but a few. The children thoroughly enjoyed this visit and learnt a lot about these wonderful animals.

Sweets and Lollypops

Can we please request that lollypops and sweets are not included in the lunchboxes of our sandwich children. Thank you for your support with this.

Well done

Ralph (RL) took part in his first ever Junior Park Run with his dad last weekend. Ralph pushed himself really hard and ran 2km in under 20 minutes! A fantastic achievement Ralph - keep it up.

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.











Bottle Tombola

Thank you to all those who were able to donate a bottle for our Summer Fair bottle tombola. Don't forget that the Summer Fair is next Thursday from 3:30pm!

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.

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Mr Williams Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Additional Information
Monday 30 th June – Thursday 3 rd July	Book Fair	
Monday 30th June	St Stephen's Church Trip	Year 2
Wednesday 2 nd July	Cake Donation for the Summer 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
Thursday 10 th July	Science Day	Dress as a Scientist
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 21 st 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

- Year 6 Leavers Performance letter
- Excelsior MAT filming consent letter
- National Book Tokens School Library Prize letter



Summer Reading Challenge

Please click the link below to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge!

Story Garden Summer Reading Challenge 2025 | The Reading

Agency



This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Freddie Ralph Safaa Efah Cuba Tori Oliver Gibbah 4HN (lunchtime award)

RL

3S

1W

4J

2L

5F

6B



This week's congratulations

assembly recipients...

VER	Elsie	RJ	Harper	RL	Nellie	1W
	Kenisha	1K	Olivia	2L	Ryan	2M
	Ella	3S	Jude	3P	Rowan	4 J
	Winnie-Mae	4HN	Mya	5E	Dior	5F
	Lilah	6B	Mariam	6G	Eulia	6G

HOUSE POINTS

	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This week	100	132	104	113

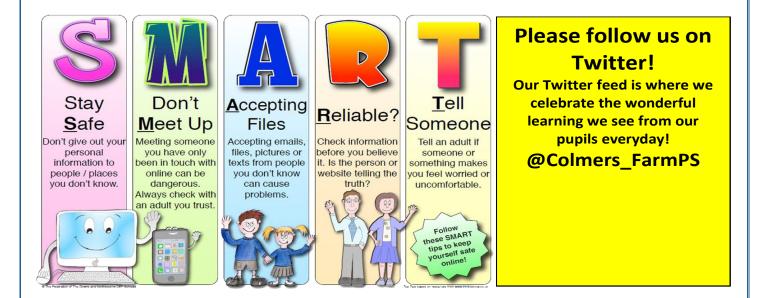
	Hawkesley	Tessall	Frankley	Cofton
This term's total	3605	3662	3809	3657

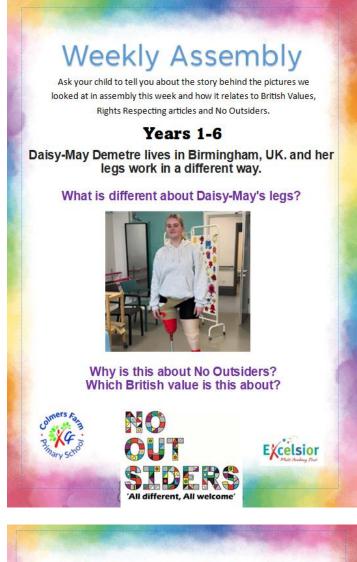


ORACY Questions to ask your child.

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 animals did we see this week?
Year 1:	Who was Neil Armstrong?
Year 2:	Can you recount your trip to the beach?
Year 3:	What is a superlative adjective? Can you give an example?
Year 4:	What is it like to live and work in Antarctica? How might you prepare for that?
Year 5:	What fact did you learn from our trip to Selly Manor?
Year 6:	How can we engage an audience in a performance?

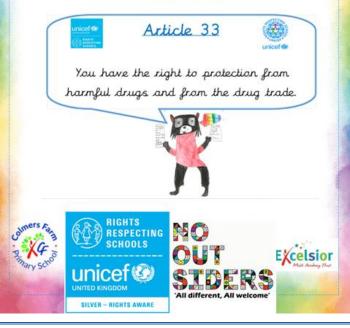




Rights Respecting Article

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.



Safeguarding at Colmers Farm Primary School

Please also see the safeguarding page on our school website for further information: <u>https://www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org/our-school/safeguarding/</u>

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 <u>help@NSPCC.org.uk</u> at any time. Alternatively <u>submit an online form</u>.