



Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our
nurturing school



Every School Day Counts!



If your child is ill though, it is really important that you call the school office as soon as possible.

The school office is open from
7:30 each morning -
(0121) 716 0444. Thank you



Friday 8th April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week. It's been a busy final week to the term at Colmers Farm.

On Monday, Ms McCarron took a group of our children from Years 3, 4 and 5 to King Edwards School to take part in the Panathlon Challenge. This involved taking part in a range of events including basketball, kurling, bowling and many more against the 3 other schools from within the MAT. I am delighted to announce that we won! Well done to everybody who took part in this. One little problem though... I now need to find a trophy cabinet to display our lovely winning trophy in. 😊



On Tuesday we held our very popular termly Governors' Award Assemblies. A huge thank you to Mrs O'Brien (one of our school governors) for giving up her time to help give out these prestigious awards. Our very deserving winners for this term were:

DIARY DATES

25/04/22

Children return to school after holiday

01/05/22

Eid al-Fitr (end of Ramadan)

02/05/22

May Day bank holiday (school closed)

09/05/22

KS2 SATs week

27/05/22

Last school day of school before the half term holidays

Do you have a safeguarding concern about a child?

Contact:

safeguarding@colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

Alternatively contact
Birmingham City Council
Children's Trust on 0121 303 1888

Emergency out-of-hours number: 0121 675 4806

What's new on our website this week?



Updated calendar with September return to school dates

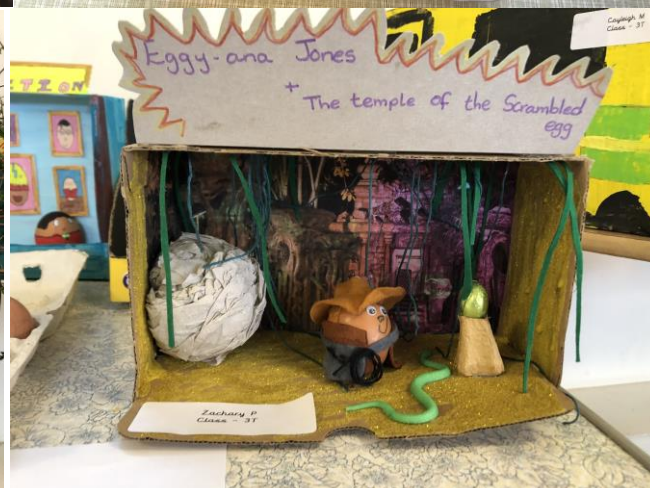
Egg diorama video (News)

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Governors' award for improving the well-being of others	Governors' award for being a good role model to others	Headteacher's award for achievement and progress
Jack (RF)	Lilliemai (RC)	Sophia (RC)
Aylah (1F)	Lily (1K)	Esmee (1W)
Khaleesi (2B)	Robyn (2B)	Eden (2H)
Samuel (3T)	Moonshine (3H)	Isabella (3H)
Olivia-Roe (4G)	Lola (4G)	Hao Lin (4J)
Poppie (5T)	Junior (5A)	Chad (5A)
Tyree (6D)	Harvey (6B)	Taliah (6B)

On Wednesday, Miss Nazir, 5A's new teacher came into school to visit them for the first time. Miss Nazir will be starting at our school straight after Easter as our new assistant headteacher. We very much look forward to her officially joining our school family then.

On Thursday we held our KS2 eggcellent egg diorama eggtravaganza. (No more egg jokes in this newsletter I promise!). The creativity of our parents and children never fails to astound me and the standard of entries was incredibly high. Below are some photos of a some of the amazing dioramas created.



To judge the egg diorama competition, I needed some help. I therefore decided to enlist our KS1 school councillors (Evie, Lily, Louis, Demi-Lea and Kade) who were brilliant. The winners they chose were:

Ellis (3H)
Ryker (3T)
Aliza (4G)
Grace (4J)

Phoebe (5A)
Rocco (5T)
Max (6B)
Lucy (6D)

Well done and thank you everybody for taking part in this. I hope that you all enjoyed spending time with your children creating these.

On Thursday our Year 5 and 6 football team were in action against Turves Green. We won 2-1! A superb victory over our arch MAT rivals. Well done everybody who played and to our top coach Miss McCarron.

On Friday, we held our KS1 Easter bonnet parade. Again, the creations were amazing. Below are a few examples of the entries.



On this occasion, I enlisted the help of our two Year 6 Head Pupils (Roxanne and Aiden) to help to judge this competition. This was not an easy task! Our winners were however:

Autumn (RC)
Ella (RF)

Jenson (1F)
Emily (1K)
Kade (1W)

Daniel (2B)
Ella-Mae (2H)

Well done to our winners and thank you to everybody who took part in this. There was plenty of hard work which went into creating all of the bonnets.

Today is unfortunately Mrs Gordon's last day at Colmers Farm. Mrs Gordon has been on loan from Parkfield Community School since Easter last year. In that time, she has worked really hard at improving teaching and learning at our school and with developing further (with Miss Hooper) our provision for reading and writing. We are all very grateful for her hard work and we will miss her. Hopefully, she will come back and visit us regularly.

Our new topic (geography and history) knowledge organisers (for Years 1-6) were sent home today. Please spend some time with your children looking at the information on these. Learning some of these facts will really help your child to make a flying start with their new topics. As per usual, there are some homework/project ideas on the back of your knowledge organisers to have a go at over Easter. Please send any completed projects into school after Easter so we can display these. We very much look forward to seeing your creations.

I hope that you have a wonderful Easter break with your families. We look forward to welcoming everybody back to school safe and well on Monday 25th April.

Mr Williams Headteacher

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Please follow us on Twitter!

Our Twitter feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning we see from our pupils everyday!



@Colmers_FarmPS



90% in a
test. Great!

percentage	grade
90% - 100%	A
80% - 89%	B
70% - 79%	C
60% - 69%	D
59% and below	F

90% attendance is
however concerning!

In a year that's

- 19 missed English lessons,
- 19 missed maths lessons;
- 19 missed phonics or reading lessons!

Happy Birthday Messages

For next few weeks, we would like to wish a very happy birthday to:

Jude S	RC	Age 5	Reignn Mc R	2B	Age 7	Charley D	4J	Age 9
Connor T	RC	Age 5	Paige C	2H	Age 7	Ava L	5T	Age 10
Layton B-C	RF	Age 5	Phoebe S-F	2H	Age 7	Luke H	5A	Age 10
Abeerah B	RF	Age 5	Kaydi-Anne B	2H	Age 7	Kyan W	5A	Age 10
Emily F	1K	Age 6	Tiegan B	2H	Age 7	Oliver C	5T	Age 10
Archer P	1W	Age 6	Kaiden F	3H	Age 8	Logan W	5A	Age 10
Bryn S	1K	Age 6	Elizabeth D	4G	Age 9	Lexie W	5T	Age 10
Kayden H	6D	Age 11	Maisey H	6B	Age 11	Karina G	6D	Age 11
Max S	6D	Age 11						

e-safety – Keeping your children safe online.

Does your child know these rules?

S

Stay Safe

Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.



M

Don't Meet Up

Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.



A

Accepting Files

Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.



R

Reliable?

Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?



T

Tell Someone

Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.



Pupil e-safety challenge



I post a picture of myself online. A few weeks later, I feel embarrassed about the photo and I delete it. Will anybody still be able to see it online after I've deleted it?

- Yes
- Maybe
- No



This week's answer = B – When you post photos or comments online, they can be very difficult to get rid of. Inappropriate images and comments can cause problems for you years into the future. Always think carefully before you post anything online.

Help your child become a better **READER**

Questions to ask your child while reading
nonfiction text.

- What is the main idea of the text?
- Can you tell me something you already know about this topic?
- What did you learn from reading the text?
- Are there any words that you do not know what they mean?
- What are some new words that you learned?
- Do you have any questions after reading this?
- Were there any features (diagrams, charts, pictures) that were important?
- Where could you find out more information about this topic?
- What questions would you ask the author about this topic?
- What would be a good title for this text?
- Can you think of another book that you have read about this topic? How was it similar? How was it different?
- Did you like the text? Why or why not?

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READ, READ, READ!

Reading is a key skill which is so important to any child's development at any age. Please try to listen to your child read at least once a day (for 10-15 mins ideally). It's also great for children to listen to you reading aloud as well.

As you know, our children in Years 1-6 have access to thousands of books online via myON. If you need help accessing this, please contact your child's

A GOOD READER is someone who...

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|-------------------------|-------------------|
| predicts | asks questions |
| uses reading strategies | thinks |
| imagines | practices reading |
| connects with the text | uses expression |
| draws conclusions | visualizes |

**A GOOD READER
is someone like you!**

Help your child become a better **READER**

Questions to ask your child while reading
fiction text.

- Who is the main character?
- What is the setting in the story? Does the setting change?
- What was the problem in the story and how was it solved?
- Did the character change during the story? How?
- How are you like the main character? How are you different?
- What do you predict will happen next in the story?
- Why do you think the author chose this title for the story?
- Do you like the title of the story? Why or why not?
- Can you think of a different title for the story?
- Which character from the story would you choose to be your friend? Why?
- Which part of the story was the most exciting? Why?
- Did you like the end of the story? Why or why not?
- Which parts in the story could really happen? Which parts could not really happen?

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Questions to ask your child when reading to them.



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Reader

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	6D	706,671
2 nd	6B	427,976
3 rd	3T	382,642
4 th	5A	122,357
5 th	5T	100,852
6 th	4J	25,631
7 th	4G	19,667
8 th	3H	10,949



Spelling Shed 

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	3T	70,526,104
2 nd	6B	57,731,828
3 rd	4G	51,104,214
4 th	6D	27,294,159
5 th	2B	4,977,320
6 th	3H	4,261,288
7 th	1K	3,214,408
8 th	5A	2,649,660
9 th	4J	1,655,312
10 th	2H	814,457
11 th	1W	726,354
12 th	1F	503,088
13 th	5T	208,946

Mathletics

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	3T	15,442
2 nd	6B	10,550
3 rd	4G	7,990
4 th	2H	7,140
5 th	5T	6,115
6 th	2B	6,082
7 th	3H	5,423
8 th	6D	2,227
9 th	4J	1,579
10 th	5A	1,000



Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Laila (6D) 242,586
2 nd	Samuel (3T) 206,864
3 rd	Demi (6B) 169,441
Record Score	
Laila (6D) 787,079 words	

Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Ryan (4G) 35,000,654
2 nd	Kayleigh (3T) 16,262,418
3 rd	Henry (4G) 13,978,426
Record Score	
Henry (4G) 65,604,074	

Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Stefania (5T) 5,020
2 nd	Ryan (4G) 2,510
3 rd	Daniella (2H) 2,450
Record Score	
Khaleesi (2B) 12,770	



ATTENDANCE



1K



4G

This year's best attendance so far! Well done!

We are now halfway through the academic year. The table below shows the current attendance percentage to date for each class.

Remember: our school target is 96% or above!

Our whole school attendance to date is: **91.1%**

Class	% attendance this week	Number of lates this week
RC	90.0%	4
RF	86.1%	11
1F	87.6%	3
1K	91.5%	3
1W	83%	5
2B	90.7%	1
2H	90.7%	7
3H	85.2%	10
3T	94.1%	5
4G	94.5%	4
4J	90%	5
5A	81.1%	6
5T	93.1%	8
6B	88.3%	3
6D	86.9%	1

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Hazel	RF
Theo	1K
Kataleya	2H
Wanny	3T
Lawson	4G
Junior	5A
Cameron	6D



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

Nate S	RC	Alex W	2B	Alex J	4J
Kayden M	1F	Euan S	3H	Laylah T	5T
Martin E	1K	Fatima S	3T	Naeem M	5A
Isabelle H	2H	Jacob H	4G		



You have all demonstrated the key quality of reilience this week.

This week's house point results

449

Farah

461



Thompson

457

Daley

327

Ennis-Hill

School Uniform

At Colmers Farm Primary School, we place a high priority on our children wearing the correct school uniform. Please note that our children are not allowed to wear trainers in school, unless this is short term with prior agreement.

For details about our school uniform requirements, please see the uniform section on our school website.

Thank you for your support with this.

Help with School Uniform



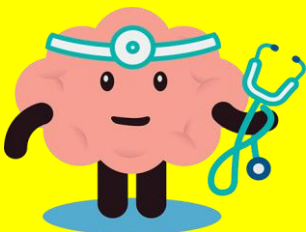
Rubery Community Swap Shop is a fabulous organisation which helps families by providing pre-loved school uniform, PE kit and footwear to them **FOR FREE**. Please visit www.ruberyswapshop.co.uk or ruberyswapshop@outlook.com for more information.

Pupil Mental Health and Well-Being Tips



What should I do if I have any concerns about my child's mental health?

Please speak to your child's class teacher or a member of our school's pastoral team (Mrs Taylor, Miss Evans or Miss Storer).



Out of School Club Provision

for children from Rubery Nursery
School and Colmers Primary School*

*up to the age of 8 years old



Our Out of School Club offers children from 2 – 8 years old a safe and friendly environment with qualified and experienced members from our staff team. Children can choose from a range of activities relevant to their age and ability.

We offer snack to the children during the session. They can choose between cereal or toast for breakfast if they arrive before 8.30am and will receive a biscuit and a drink before 4.15pm. A light tea is offered for children staying after 4.15pm. For more information, please request a prospectus or phone us on the number below.



Breakfast Club is open from **7.30am - 9.am**
and After School **3.00pm - 5.30pm**

For more information and prices please contact our Reception on
0121 464 2158 or visit us at:

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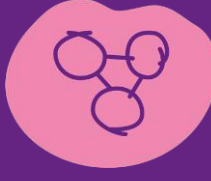
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& Disabilities



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Housing



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Health



Mental
Health



Play



Birmingham Children's Partnership



Edgbaston

EarlyHelpEdgbaston@gatewayfs.org
0121 456 7821

Erdington

ErdingtonFamilies@compass-support.org.uk
0121 748 8199

Hall Green

Hallgreen.families@greensquareaccord.co.uk
07570 953519 (9:30am to 4:30pm)

Hodge Hill

EarlyHelp-Hodgehill@family-action.org.uk
07976 199894

Ladywood

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07764 977636

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