

# Colmers Farm Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot believe that we are already at the end of another successful year at Colmers Farm Primary School. This year we have continued to embed and build upon our successes since joining Excelsior MAT (Easter 2019). This includes, but is not limited to:

- Our curriculum being further enhanced which had led to the standards of learning and teaching continuing to rise;
- Providing more clubs and competitive sports opportunities than ever before;
- The successful development of our specialist art and design and technology studio, with lessons led by our specialist art teacher;
- Taking part in the World Reimagined Project and having our globe displayed in Birmingham Library;
- Gaining the UNICEF Rights Respecting Silver Schools Award, the Well-Being Award and the Gold Sports Mark Award;
- Achieving some of our best ever statutory test results for our school (EYFS good level of development, Year 1 phonics, Year 2 phonics, Year 2 SATs, Year 4 multiplication tables check and KS2 SATs). This has been particularly impressive considering the disruption all schools have endured over the last two years. We were also above national average in all areas for KS2 SATs (and possibly some other areas – although this is the only national average data released so far);
- The development of the CFPS Guarantee (which we will be telling you more about in September);
- Continuing to support families with Pathfinders, Malachi, Mental Health Support Team etc.

Although our journey of improvement will always continue, it has been a really successful year and I would like to thank all of the children, staff and you, as parents/carers, for making this possible.

Last week we held our termly Governors' Award Assemblies. Mrs O'Brien kindly attended on behalf of the Governors and awards were given out in each year group for being outstanding role models, looking after the well-being of others and for academic progress and/or achievement. Well done to all of our winners below:

Year Group	Role Model	Improving the well-being of others	Academic progress and/or achievement
Reception	Laurie M.	Enah M.	Julian W.
Year 1	Jacob A.	Skye D.	Nevaeh B.
Year 2	Spencer W.	William T.	Mini D.
Year 3	Mariam A.	Poppy C.	Kaiden W.



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Year 4	Iyanna M.	Arley-Joe D.	Nazila A.
Year 5	Ula S.	Tulisa P.	Abigail T.
Year 6	Pippa B.	Bianca-Maria D.	Loren W.

Since May, our Year 5 and 6 art club have been taking part in the World Reimagined Project. This is a UK wide art education project featuring globally-recognised artists. Primary schools involved in the project have been exploring and celebrating 'Mother Africa'. Year 5 and 6 wanted to focus on traditional African patterns and the flags of the many different countries within the continent of Africa. They produced their own individual designs and then created a final design together as a team. Year 5 and 6 wanted to add some key messages to make people think about how we are all human, we are all equal and no one should be treated differently because of the colour of their skin. The World Reimagined Project will see a trail of large globe sculptures across 7 UK cities from 13 August to 31 October 2022, created by artists. Alongside these large sculptures, there will be smaller sculptures created by primary and secondary schools in various locations. We hope you'll have the chance to visit The World Reimagined trail - and our Globe! - when the trails are live. Our globe will be on display in Birmingham Library.



Unfortunately, as it is the end of year we have to say goodbye to our Year 6s as they embark on the exciting next stage of their educational careers. The staff and I at Colmers Farm will really miss these children. They have been fantastic role models for the younger children at our school and they have been a tight year group who have all shown great care and empathy towards one another. It was so nice listening to their teachers talking about our Year 6 children individually during the Year 6 Leavers' Event. The learning that Year 6 have produced this year has been truly stunning and, as previously mentioned, they achieved great things in their SATs. They all have so much potential and their secondary schools are all really lucky to be having such a wonderful group of children joining them. We cannot wait to see what they will achieve in the future. Good luck Year 6!

As well as saying goodbye to Year 6, we are also sadly saying goodbye to two members of staff, Miss Clark and Miss Thomas. I would like to thank them both for their hard work and I wish them the greatest of success at their new schools.

This week we have welcomed back Miss Kelly and Miss Morgan from their maternity leave. It is great to have them back in school. In September, we will have two new teachers joining us Mrs

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Platt (in Year 2) and Mrs Lloyd (in Year 4). I am sure that you will quickly welcome them into our Colmers Farm family.

I hope that you all have a wonderful holiday with your children and we look forward to welcoming all our children back to school, safe and well, on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Williams

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