



Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our nurturing school



Warmer Months

As we are now in the summer term, please can I ask you to ensure that your children brings a sun hat into school. Also apply sun cream before they come to school on particularly sunny days. Thank you.



Friday 13th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you all enjoyed the week.

This week has been Year 6's SATs week. Our Year 6's have all worked so hard in the build-up to this week and during the week itself. With great determination and focus they all did a fantastic job. On behalf of governors, staff and parents we wish to thank them. Hopefully they will all get the results they deserve when they are released in early July. We are really proud of you all.



The registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for the Grammar Schools in Birmingham, for entry to Year 7 in September 2023. Registration can be made online by visiting the following <https://www.birminghamgrammarschools.org/apply-onlineapp.php> The closing date for registering is 4pm on 30th June 2022. The test will take place on 17th September.

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GRAMMAR SCHOOL
FOR GIRLS

Although I personally love dogs, please can I remind all parents that dogs should not be brought onto the school site for any reason. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

On the 27th May, we will be having a celebration in school to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. As part of this event, we will be asking all children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue instead of school uniform. We will also be having a picnic on our grass area (weather permitting).

Please can I remind all parents to be civil with one another on the school playground at all times. Being other than this sets a poor example to our children and can cause distress to them.

DIARY DATES

WB 16 and 23/05/22
KS1 SATs week

17/05/22
3H Trip to Birmingham
City Centre

18/05/22
3T Trip to Birmingham
City Centre

27/05/22
School's Jubilee
Celebration Day

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.excelmat.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?



- * Year group newsletters (year group areas)
- * Term dates and training days for 2022/2023 (diary and term dates)

www.colmersfarm.excelmat.org

School Matters!

I hope that you enjoy the weekend. Thank you for your continued support.
Mr Williams (Headteacher)



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

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!

Please follow us on Twitter!

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



@Colmers_FarmPS

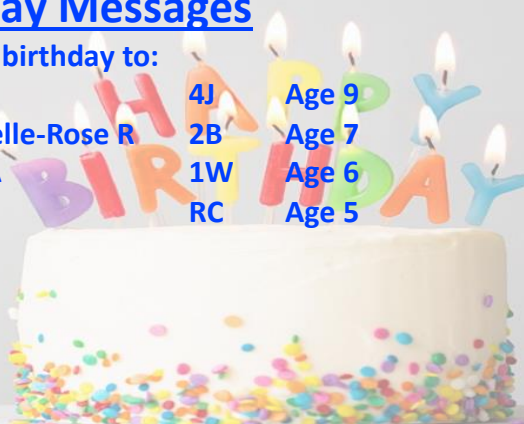


Happy Birthday Messages

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

Naeem M 5A Age 10
Spencer W 2H Age 7
Zayn K 1F Age 6
Chae O'S RF Age 5

Evie F 4J Age 9
Annabelle-Rose R 2B Age 7
Jacob A 1W Age 6
Lillie D RC Age 5



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.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!

Pupil e-safety challenge



When talking to people online, which of the following should you not tell them?

- Your address.
- The school you go to.
- Your phone number.
- Your email address.
- Your passwords.



This week's answer = A, B, C, D and E. When talking to people online you should never give out any personal information. This is the 'S' in our SMART rules.

Help your child become a better **READER**

Questions to ask your child while reading
nonfiction text.

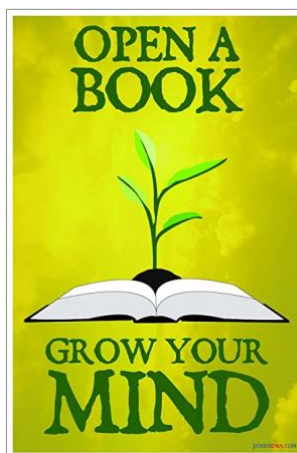
- What is the main idea of the text?
- Can you tell me something you already know about this topic?
- What did you learn from reading the text?
- Are there any words that you do not know what they mean?
- What are some new words that you learned?
- Do you have any questions after reading this?
- Were 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



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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	597,022
2 nd	6B	543,395
3 rd	3T	222,933
4 th	5A	71,257
5 th	5T	52,996
6 th	3H	27,273
7 th	4G	6,629
8 th	4J	3,454



Spelling Shed 

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	3T	59,902,544
2 nd	4G	59,692,284
3 rd	5A	59,471,056
4 th	6D	11,616,774
5 th	3H	10,304,862
6 th	6B	7,632,366
7 th	1W	3,349,063
8 th	1K	2,368,886
9 th	1F	1,300,155
10 th	4J	849,256
11 th	2B	369,598
12 th	2H	282,950
13 th	5T	5,000

Mathletics

	Class Name	Number of Points
1 st	4G	7,949
2 nd	3T	7,270
3 rd	6D	6,764
4 th	5T	4,840
5 th	3H	4,810
6 th	2B	4,326
7 th	6B	3,840
8 th	5A	2,606
9 th	2H	1,710
10 th	4J	490



Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Demi (6B) 257,154
2 nd	Violet (6D) 237,868
3 rd	Roxanne (6B) 192,397
Record Score	
Laila (6D) 787,079 words	

Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Ryan (4G) 36,160,574
2 nd	Henry (4G) 21,439,816
3 rd	Darcie (5A) 19,245,352
Record Score	
Henry (4G) 65,604,074	

Top 3 pupils - last week's top scorers	
1 st	Stefania (5T) 4,240
2 nd	Ryan (4G) 2,000
3 rd	Robyn (2B) 1,410
Record Score	
Khaleesi (2B) 12,770	



ATTENDANCE



1F



6D

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: **91.8%**

Class	% attendance this week	Number of lates this week
RC	93.8	5
RF	86.1	2
1F	100	4
1K	98	2
1W	96.8	3
2B	92.9	1
2H	94.4	2
3H	94.4	6
3T	99.2	3
4G	95.7	0
4J	91.5	6
5A	90	5
5T	96.3	3
6B	98.6	0
6D	99.3	1

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Darcie	RC	Summer	1K
Daniel T	2B	Tahmid	3H
Charley D	4J		
Tyson	6D		



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

1F	Shy'loh C	1K	Harry S	1W	Charlotte R
2B	Arlo Jai F	2H	Ethan K	3H	Scarlet E
3T	Tilly P	4J	Evie J	4G	Mianne M
5A	Tulisa P	6B	Riley P	6D	Kayden H



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

This week's house point results

496

Farah

488

Thompson

559

Daley



452

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 Swop 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.ruberyswopshop.co.uk or ruberyswopshop@outlook.com for more information.

9 MENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES TO DO WITH YOUR CHILDREN

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WORRY TIME

- Set aside a time each day for your child worry. Discuss with your child how long the worry time will be for. In this time your child can write down their worries, discuss them with your or problem solve to overcome them

THOUGHT CHALLENGING

- Help your child to write down any unhelpful thoughts they that experience. Try to challenge them with your child and come up with more realistic and helpful ones

ACTIVITY PLANNING

- Create an activity diary with your child and help them to schedule in some pleasurable and achievement related activities

TALKING ABOUT FEELINGS

- Why not create a time each week where your child can speak to you about their thoughts and feelings

3 GOOD THINGS

- Before bed spend some time with your child to identify and write down three good things they achieved from the day

WELLBEING

- Support your child to look after their wellbeing. Cook healthy meals with them, exercise or play sport with them and make sure they are getting enough sleep

IMAGERY

- Work with your child to imagine themselves in an imaginary future where everything has turned out in a positive way

BEING PRESENT

- Help your child to be present and live in the moment. Go for a walk and see how many different things you can both take in with all your senses

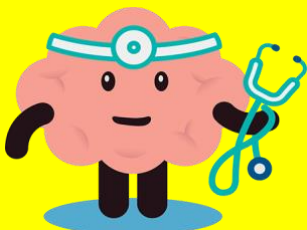
THOUGHT TESTING

- Try setting out some simple activities to help your child test out the validity of a thought.



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).



Help for all families in Birmingham



Food
& Energy



Youth
Support



Domestic
Abuse



Emergency
Funding



Money &
Debt Advice



Data & IT



Under 5's
Support



School Uniforms
& Clothing



Parenting



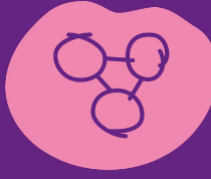
Special Needs
& Disabilities



Bereavement



Housing



Sexual
Health



Mental
Health



Play



Birmingham Children's Partnership



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