



Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our nurturing school



Reading

Reading is a really high priority at our school. The more children read (or are read to) the better they become at this. Please listen to your child read each day.



Please remember that the whole school site, including the Morrisons ramp, is a no smoking or vaping area.



Friday 17th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you've all had a good week.

A huge well done to our reception children who completed their first full week at Colmers Farm. I have visited them a few times this week and have spoken to the teachers about them. Everybody is really pleased with how well they have settled in, and they seem to be really enjoying exploring their classrooms and the outdoor area. An excellent start!

Thank you to all the parents who responded to our letter that we sent out seeking your views about what experiences you would like your children to have during their time at our school. Your views are always important. Using your ideas, along with those from pupils, staff and governors, we will soon start work on creating a Colmers Farm Primary Guarantee, which will be a structured plan showing rich experiences our pupils will receive in each year group, as they move through the school. We will display this on our website for everybody to see.

Thank you to all of you that have helped your children to complete some homework to bring into school for their topic. We always love seeing what is produced and these are all displayed either in classrooms or outside of my office. You can complete this homework with your child at any time over the term. Please see your child's knowledge organiser, in the curriculum section of the school website for further information. Have a look at a few of the wonderful pieces of work we've had so far. They are fantastic!



By Zahara (3T)



By Darcie (5A)



By Kaiden (3T)

DIARY DATES

06/10/21
Year 6 knife crime workshops

22/10/21
Final school day before half term holiday

01/11/21
Staff training day

03 and 04/11/21
Autumn Term Parents' Evening

15/11/21
Anti-bullying week

Please follow us on Twitter!

Our feed is where we celebrate the wonderful learning opportunities we provide for all of our pupils everyday!

@Colmers_FarmPS



What's new on our website this week?



- Newsletter (Year group areas)
- Year group curriculum overviews (Curriculum)
- Safeguarding policy (policies)

www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

Friday this week saw the long-awaited return of swimming lessons for our Year 6 pupils. They really enjoyed this session. Year 6 will be swimming for the whole of this term. Swimming is a really important life skill, and it is important that all of pupils attend as many of these sessions as possible. Please ensure that they bring their swimming kit into school each Friday and that any earrings are removed on this day. Thank you.

Hot chocolate Friday in the headteacher's office also returned this week. I've so missed spending this time with our pupils. Well done to everybody who won!

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend. Mr Williams



By Tyla-Rose
(2H)

Happy Birthday Messages

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

Tyree T	6D Age 11
Demi M	6B Age 11
William F	6B Age 11
Phoebe S	5A Age 10
Alfie W	5T Age 10
Zachary P	3T Age 8
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Sara N	1F Age 6
Jenson L	1W Age 6



e-safety – Keeping your children safe online.

Does your child know these rules?

<h1>S</h1> <p>Stay Safe</p> <p>Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.</p>	<h1>M</h1> <p>Don't Meet Up</p> <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> <p>Accepting Files</p> <p>Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.</p>	<h1>R</h1> <p>Reliable?</p> <p>Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?</p>	<h1>T</h1> <p>Tell Someone</p> <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>
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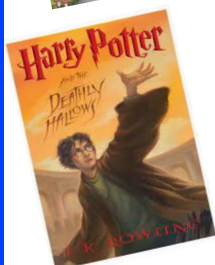
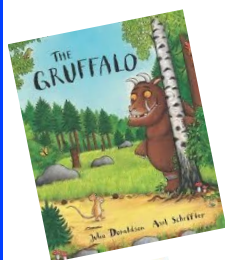
Pupil e-safety challenge

What would your child do if this happened to them?

Sara is online chatting with a 10-year-old boy. The boy sends Sarah a picture of himself and he wants Sara to send him a picture of herself and her family. What should Sara do?

1. No problem – I'll send it. What's the harm?
2. Don't send it and tell my parents.
3. Send a picture of somebody else instead.

This week's answer = 2



READ, READ, READ!

Reading is a key skill which is so important to your child's development at all ages. 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 class teacher or the school office.



Accelerated Reader Champions League Table

	Class Name	Number of words read this week	Movement from last week
1 st	6D	445692	-
2 nd	5T	209391	-
3 rd	5A	90518	-
4 th	6B	86780	-
5 th	4J	6559	-
6 th	4G	4408	-
7 th	3H	-	-
7 th	3T	-	-

Well done to 6D!

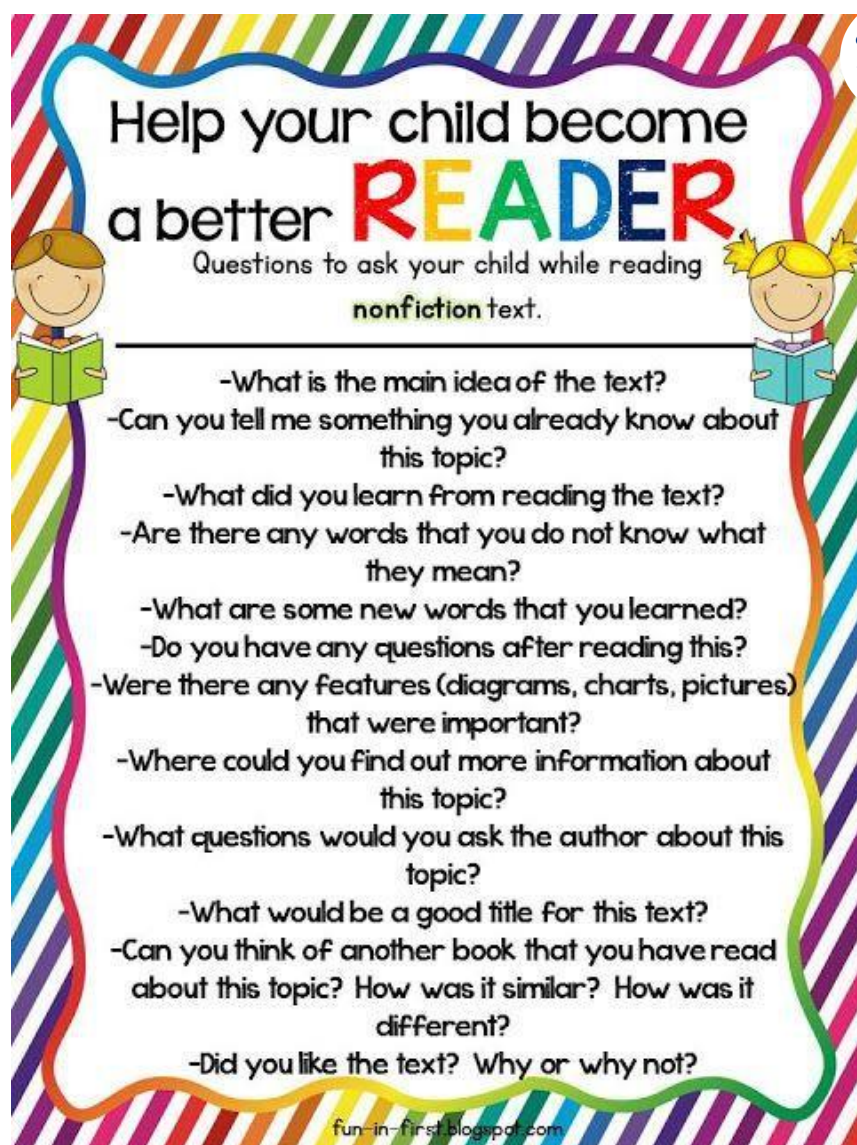
School record holders are 6D – 445692 words
in one week (17/09/21)



Well done 5A!

80% of your class took part in Accelerated Reader this week. This was the highest percentage in our school!



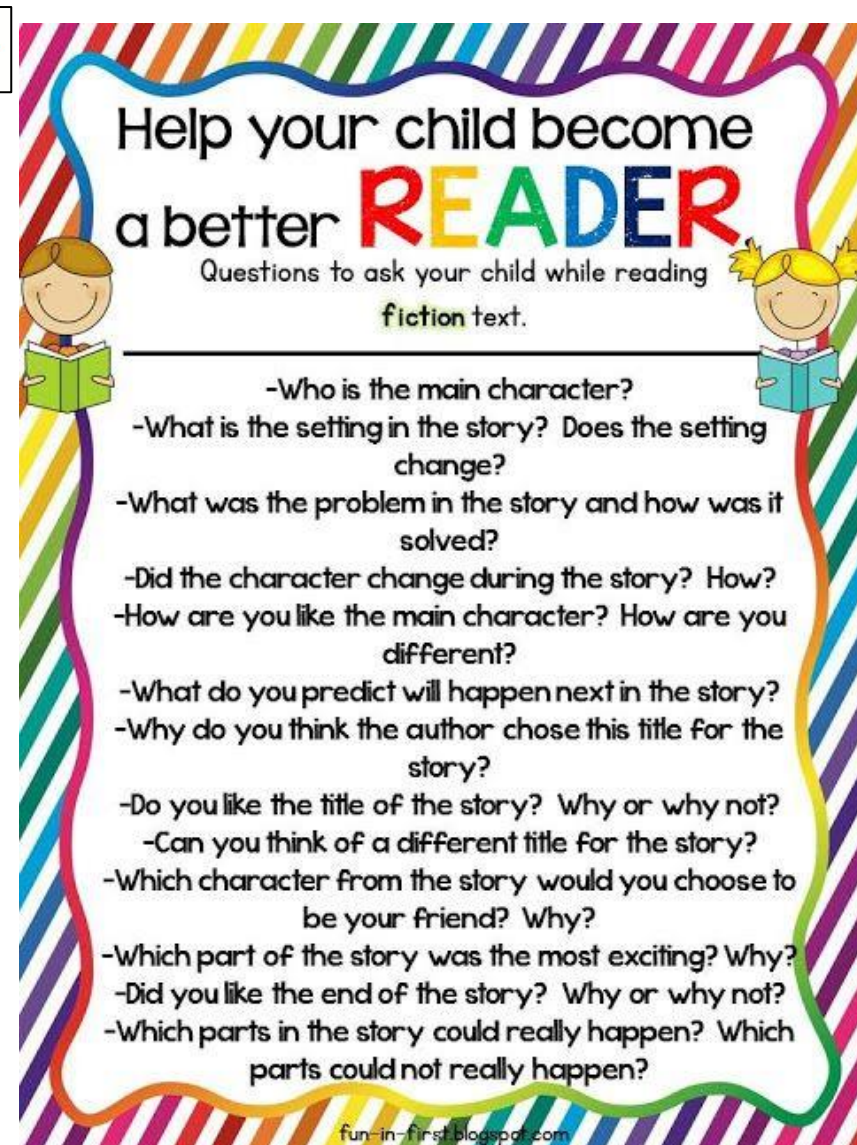


Help your child become a better **READER**

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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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

ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance target remains at 96% and this year we are determined to reach it! Unfortunately, since we have come back to school in September only 3 classes have hit this target, and our overall whole school attendance has only been **93.2%.**

The Colmers Farm attendance league table starts again next week with the first 'fixtures' taking place between classes. Please ensure your child is in school, on time, every day to help your child's class beat their opponents and get some points on the table!

Class	Attendance so far this term
RC	89.25%
RF	90.36%
1F	94.44%
1K	93.89%
1W	96.56%
2B	94.43%
2H	90.51%
3H	94.06%
3T	96.28%
4G	95%
4J	85.25%
5A	94.43%
5T	94.23%
6B	90.93%
6D	97.37%

Next week's fixture list!

5T	vs	2B
RC	vs	4J
3T	vs	3H
1W	vs	2H
RF	vs	5A
1K	vs	4G
1F	vs	6B
6D	AUTOMATIC 3 POINTS	

3 points for a win
1 point for a draw
0 points for a loss



1 bonus point for any class who gets 100% attendance for the week!

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Troy G	1F	Chloe S	5T
Rio C	2B	Lucy W	6B
Kai H	3T		
Lonnie G	4J		



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

Lillie Mai D RC	Drew O-O 2H	Harry E 5A
Jack A RF	Ellis K 3H	Maisey H 6B
Ellie-Mai H 1W	Kayleigh B 3T	Tyree T 6D
Jenson P 1F	Emilie T 4J	
Emily F 1K	Alyssa K 4G	
Lucas B 2B	Zayd A 5T	



School Uniform

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



For details on 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 contact

ruberyswopshop@outlook.com for more information.

Amazing Ways to Nurture Your Child's Mental Health



- Have Patience Most Times
- I Love you No Matter What
- Give Many Hug & Cuddles
- Happy & Positive Home
- Fulfil Basic Necessities
- Establish A Routine
- Happy Parents, Happy Kids

• Deep Conversations With Child

• Quality Time Every Day

• Healthy Food & Choices

• Model Healthy Lifestyle

• Always Be There

• Help Child Set Boundaries

• Praise Positive Choices

• Model Self Care



• Let them make decisions

• Deal Tantrums With Firmness

• Cause & Consequence

• Let Them Say "NO"

• Teach Body Safety & Limits

• Limit Screen Time

• Nurture Child's Independence

• Name Their Emotions

• Play Pretend Play

• Share Your Experiences

• Say True To Your Word

• Believe In You Child

& MANY MORE TIPS

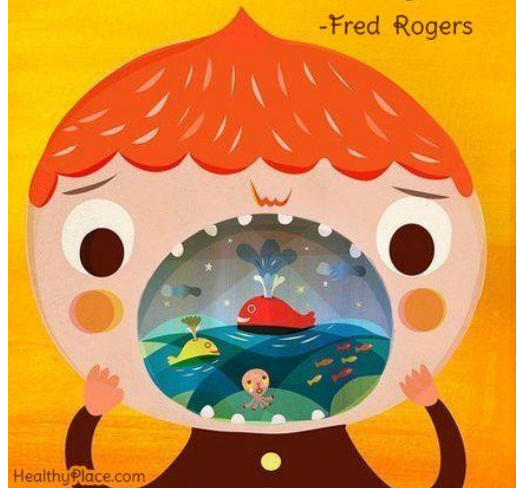


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Pupil Mental Health and Well-Being Tips

When we can talk about our feelings, they become less overwhelming, less upsetting, and less scary.

-Fred Rogers



HealthyPlace.com



Out of School Club Provision

for children from Rubery Nursery
School and Colmers Primary School*

*up to the age of 8 years old



Rubery
nursery school



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

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.

For more information and prices please contact our Reception on
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