



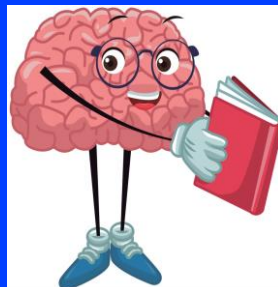
Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our nurturing school



Accelerated Reader Competition

Our KS2 accelerated reader competition ends on Tuesday 28th September. There's still plenty of time to enter though. Good luck everybody!



Friday 24th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you've all had a good week.

This week, we were delighted to have our first classes in our brand-new art, design and technology suite. This is a fantastic resource for our school and our children, which they will use to explore and develop their creative talents in. We very much look forward to seeing what they will create with Mrs Oliver. Who knows, we may be able to discover the next Monet, Rembrandt or Banksy at our school! Have a look below at some of the early work that has been created so far.

	Flower continuous line drawing Laila (6D)		Face plate Amy (RF)
	College plant art work Mariam (3T)		House drawing Jacob (1W)

On Friday, we relaunched our KS2 SAGE Award to our children. This is a fantastic award that rewards children for their achievements both inside and outside of school. Few schools have anything like this award, so our children are very fortunate. We would like your support to ensure that as many children as possible take part in this. Some of the tasks that our children have achieved outside of school last year were incredible, such as helping neighbours or supporting our local emergency services by baking them cakes. All children will continue from where they left off last year e.g., if they earned their bronze award last year, they will be working towards their silver award this year. For more information about this award please visit the SAGE Award section of our school website.

DIARY DATES

06/10/21
Year 6 knife crime workshops

WB 11/10/21
Year 5 Bikeability

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

01/11/21
Staff training day

02/11/21
School photos day

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?



Autumn clubs updated (extra-curricular activities)

www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

At Colmers Farm, we encourage our children to take on additional responsibilities. This week we selected our first set of prefects from Year 6. These children will be role models in our school and help our other children at dinnertimes and other times during the school day. Well done to all of those children who were successful and thank you for applying for this role. Your application letters were fantastic.

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend with your family.

Mr Williams

Happy Birthday Messages

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

Julian W	RC	Age	5
Hudson R	RC	Age	5
Myah M	1W	Age	6
Harry E	5A	Age	10
Betty P	2B	Age	7



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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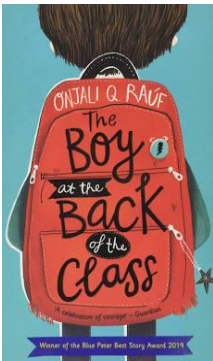
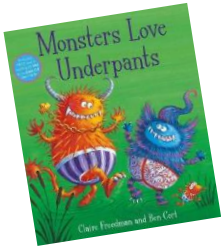
Pupil e-safety challenge

What would your child do if this happened to them?

Your friend asks you to join Facebook. They tell you that lots of children in your class are on it and you are missing out. You should be 13 years old to be on Facebook. What do you do?

1. Sign up... It's fine because all of my are on there.
2. Check with my parents. If they say it's fine then I can sign up.
3. Don't sign up.

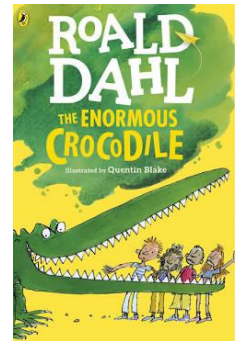
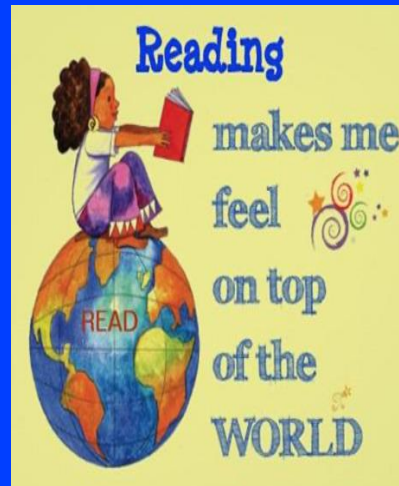
This week's answer = 3



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	3T	500924	↑
2 nd	4J	350312	↑
3 rd	6B	271682	↑
4 th	6D	189898	↓
5 th	5T	79538	↓
6 th	5A	67339	↓
7 th	3H	49922	↔
8 th	4G	13,644	↓



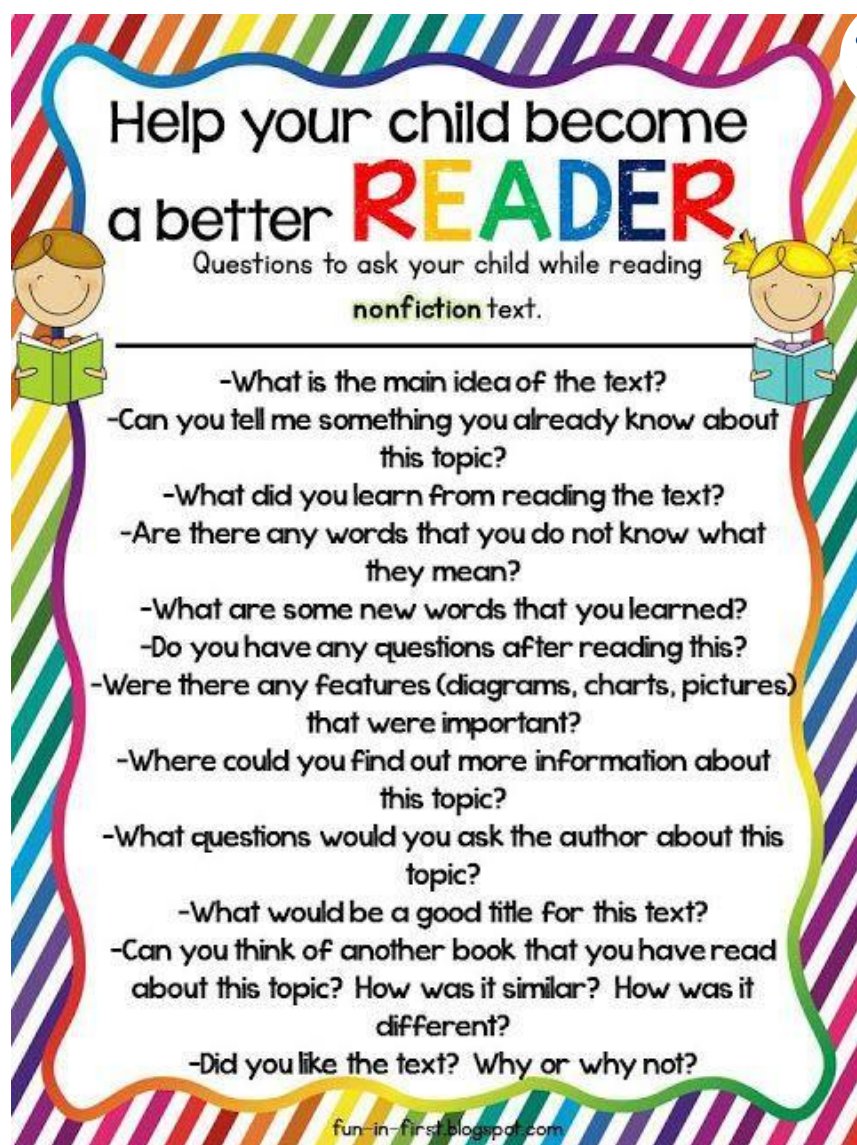
Well done 3T!

100% of your class completed an Accelerated Reader test this week. This was the highest percentage in our school! 4J were second with 77%.

Well done to 3T!

School record holders are 3T – 500924 words in one week (24/09/21)



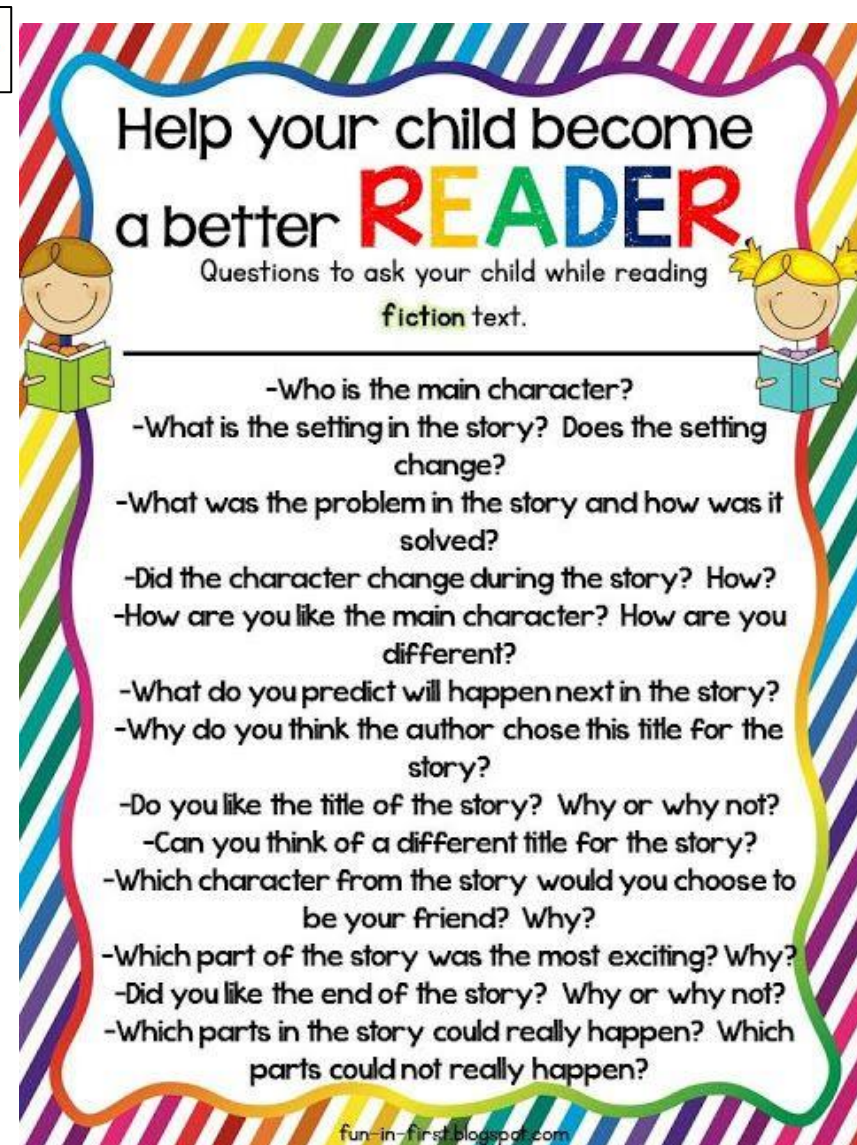


Help your child become a better **READER**

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



League table to date.

Pos	Class	Games played	Points
1	RC	1	3
=	RF	1	3
=	1F	1	3
=	2B	1	3
=	2H	1	3
=	3T	1	3
=	4G	1	3
=	6D	1	3
9	1K	1	0
=	1W	1	0
=	3H	1	0
=	4J	1	0
=	5A	1	0
=	5T	1	0
=	6B	1	0

This week's winners! ★

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	

Each week, the class in EYFS/ KS1 with the highest attendance will be asked to look after Colmers' Cat and the class in KS2 with the highest attendance will be asked to look after Colmers' Camel.



WINNER:

1K



WINNER:

3T

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Nonso A	1F
Tyler-Rose H	2H
Alfie A	3H
Lola S	4G
Salman K	5A
Harvey G	6B



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

Ruby O'	RC	Annabelle-Rose R	2B	Jacob H	4G
Amy B	RF	Paige C	2H	Alex J	4J
Jenson L	1W	Sophie-Mae	3H	Max W	6B
Zayn Kanmi	1F	Ryker S	3T	Jessica M	6D



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.

10 WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD LOOK AFTER THEIR MENTAL HEALTH

WWW.BELIEVEPERFORM.COM @BELIEVEPHQ



ROLE MODEL

Be a positive mental health role model. Demonstrate positive behaviours which your child can learn from you



TALKING

Support your child to talk about their problems and how they are feeling



COPING SKILLS

Work with your child to develop coping skills. Support your child to learn skills such as problem solving and thought challenging

SLEEP

Support your child to build positive sleep habits. Develop a good sleep environment with your child



WELLBEING

Promote healthy eating and physical activity. Exercise is a great tool to boost mood and reduce stress and anxiety

PLAY

Promote play and creativity among your child. Allow them to explore



SELF CARE

Make sure your child has time and space to look after themselves. Involve yourself in their hobbies



AUTONOMY

Allow your child to make their own decisions. This will help to build resilience

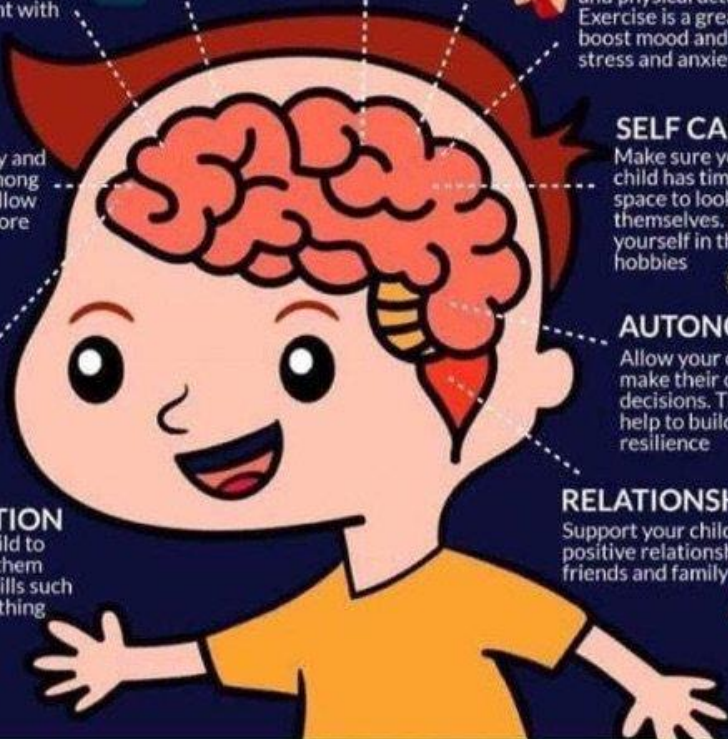
RELATIONSHIPS

Support your child to build positive relationships with friends and family



RELAXATION

Help your child to relax. Teach them relaxation skills such as deep breathing



Pupil Mental Health and Well-Being Tips



YOU

ARE UNIQUE
ARE SMART
ARE TALENTED
ARE WORTH IT
ARE SPECIAL
ARE VALUED
ARE AMAZING
ARE LOVED

MATTER!

You are
capable of
AMAZING
things.

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:

Leybrook Road, Rubery, Birmingham B45 9PB

www.ruberyn.bham.sch.uk



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SEND BRIEFING PARENT WEBINAR

October 2021



Parent/Carer Webinars take place regularly throughout the year and cover a number of different topics. Please see the local offer website for further details. Each webinar should last approximately one hour and take the format of a presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

Birmingham Early Help Offer Awareness

Speaker:

Amina Mushtaq - From Barnardo's

Join the session to learn what Early Help Offer is and how it can help children and families in Birmingham. The session will provide insight into the kind of help available for parents and children and quick self-referral process.

Friday 8th October 10:00 - 11:00am

<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk/product/birmingham-early-help-offer-awareness-8th-october-1000am/>

All people who book a ticket will be sent a copy of the presentation and a copy of the recording of the Webinar.

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



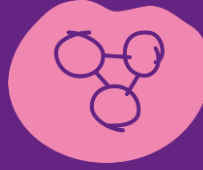
Special Needs
& Disabilities



Bereavement



Housing



Sexual
Health



Mental
Health



Play



Birmingham Children's Partnership



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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0121 752 1900

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EarlyHelp.Billesley@gmail.com
0121 441 4556

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0121 752 1860

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The Welfare Benefits System SEND Welfare Benefits Update

Speaker: Alison Taylor

- ☐ To provide a brief overview of the welfare benefits system
- ☐ To help identify benefits applicable to your clients
- ☐ An overview of Universal Credit and issues you may face
- ☐ The Appeal Process
- ☐ Case Studies

Monday 18th October 10:30 - 11:30am

<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk/product/send-welfare-benefits-update-18th-october-1030am/>

Monday 18th October 2 - 3pm

<https://www.localofferbirmingham.co.uk/product/send-welfare-benefits-update-18th-october-2pm/>

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