



Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our nurturing school



Being on time for school is important

Being on time is so important as this gives pupils a relaxed start to the morning, they do not miss any learning, they do not feel anxious walking into a classroom late and it sets a good habit for future life and employment.



Friday 8th October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you've all had a good week.

I'd like to start this newsletter off by saying a huge well done to our very own Miss Tonks, who last Sunday completed her very first marathon (by running the London Marathon). This is a massive achievement on its own, but she also managed to raise over £3000 for Brain Research UK. Everybody at Colmers Farm is really proud of Miss Tonks. This has got to be worth a huge tick in her SAGE Award Book somewhere 😊.



Last week, I announced the winners of the Accelerated Reader Competition. Unfortunately, I made a mistake and I did not announce Timothy in Year 3 as one of our winners. We therefore have two winners in Year 3. My apologies to Timothy for this. Well done to Timothy and all of our other winners. Well done again to everybody who took part.



Wednesday was a busy day at our school. Our Year 3s had their first aid training where they learnt how to deal with a range of injuries, along with how to put people into the recovery position and what to do if somebody is choking. At our school, we believe that all of our children should have first aid training and we are committed to delivering this training to all of our KS2 pupils in Year 3 and again in Year 5 to ensure that this knowledge is embedded.



Also on Wednesday, Year 6 had a workshop about gang and knife crime and how they are in control of their actions. It is important that our children know about this so they can make the right choices in the future. Our Year 6s all demonstrated very mature attitudes during this session and they asked some great questions. Well done Year 6!

DIARY DATES

WB 11/10/21
Year 5 Bikeability

15/10/21
Human Rights Run Day

19/10/21
Perspective Reception
2022 cohort open day

20/10/21
Year 5 Pupil First Aid
Training

23/10/21
Half Term Holiday
begins

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?



Updated safeguarding policy (Policies)

Updated Autumn School Meals Menu (School Meals)

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On Friday, as part of their Amazon Rainforest topic, Year 3 were visited by Zoolab. During this session, our Year 3s were able to find out facts about a range of different animals and were even able to handle some of these. Our Year 3s really enjoyed this session and they really impressed our visitors by sharing all the knowledge they have already learnt about this topic.



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:

Max W 6B 12th October Age 11

Jessica D 6D 14th October Age 11

Ellia-Mae H 1W 13th October Age 6

Alexander J 4J 16th October Age 9

Omnya I 4J 14th October Age 9



e-safety – Keeping your children safe online. Does your child know these rules?

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

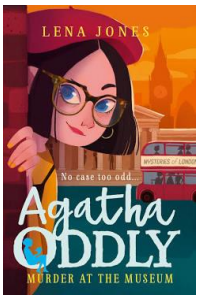
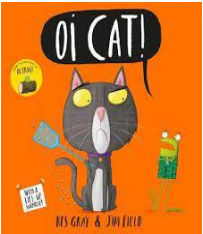
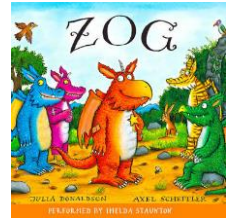
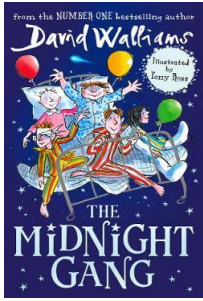
What would your child do if this happened to them?

You are part of a WhatsApp group and your friends are writing unkind things about another child. What should you do?

1. Join in. There's no harm, the person they are speaking about is not in the group.
2. Leave the groups and tell your parents.
3. Ignore the messages.

Please remember you are not allowed to be on WhatsApp until you are 16 years old.

This week's answer = 2



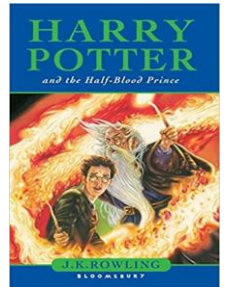
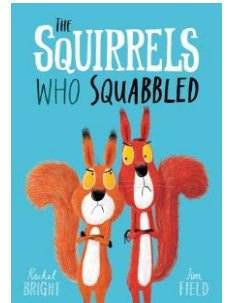
READ, READ, READ!

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.

There are many little ways
to enlarge your child's world.
Love of books is the best of all.

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis



Accelerated Reader Champions League Table

	Class Name	Number of words read this week	Movement from last week
1 st	6D	517607	↑
2 nd	3H	251003	↑
3 rd	6B	166013	↓
4 th	5A	137380	↑
5 th	4J	111631	↓
6 th	5T	100761	↔
7 th	4G	46864	↔
8 th	3T	36904	↓



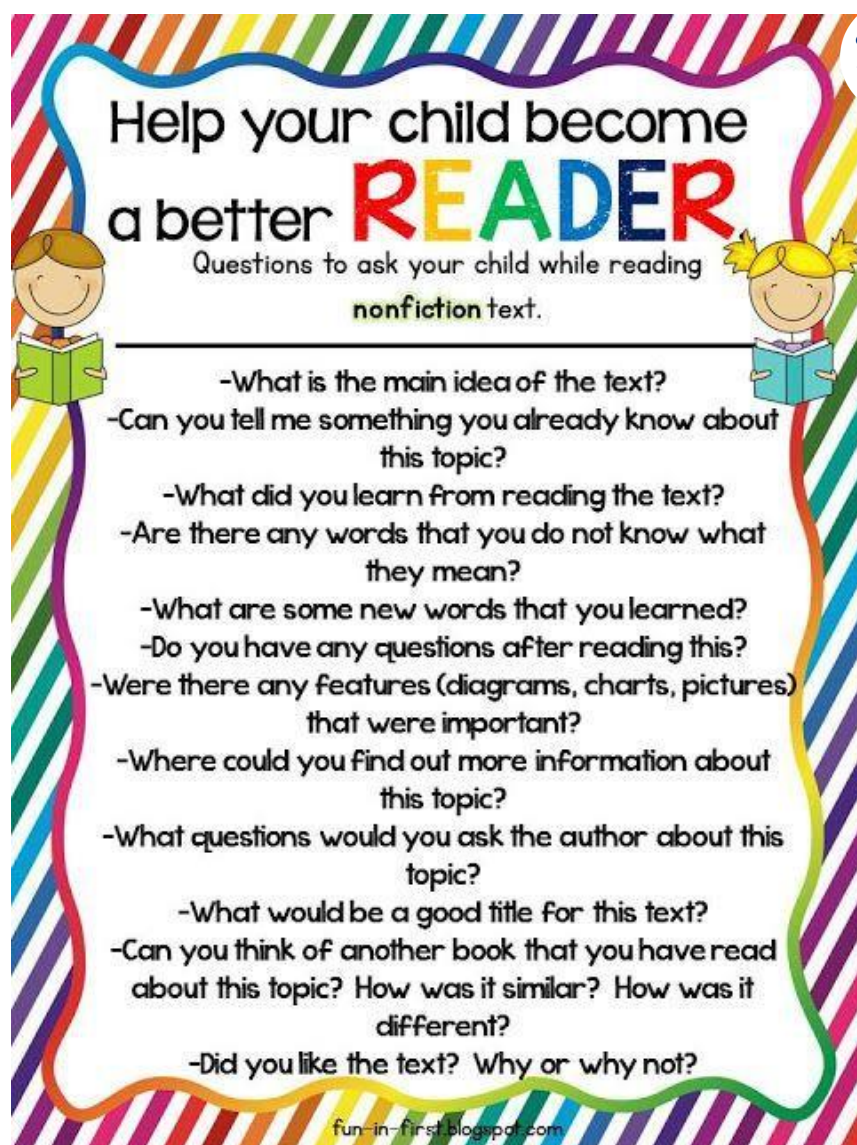
Well done
6D!

76% of your class completed an Accelerated Reader test this week. This was the highest percentage in our school!

Well done to 6D!

School record holders are 6B – 977007 words in one week (01/10/21)



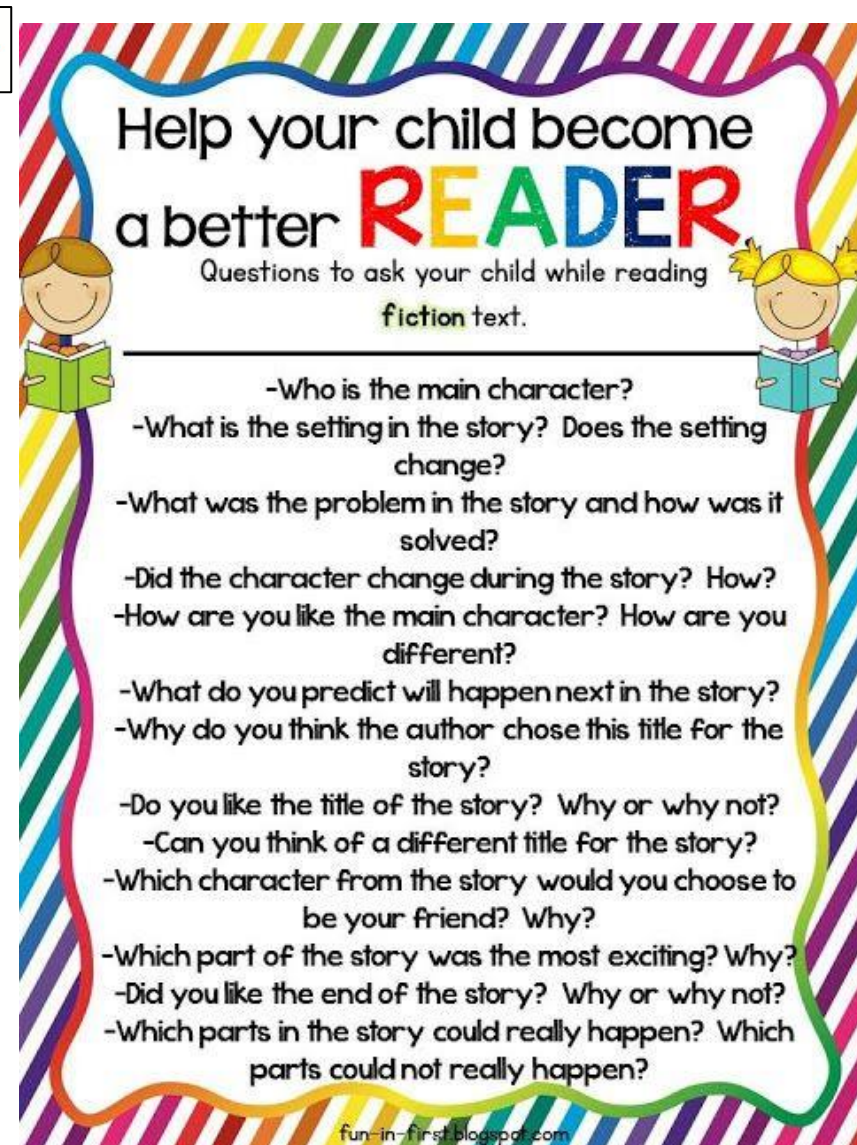


Help your child become a better **READER**

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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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

CHOOSING YOUR CHILD'S RECEPTION SCHOOL PLACE?

CHOOSE...



Colmers Farm
Primary School

W: COLMERSFARM.EXCELSIORMAT.ORG

T: 0121 716 0444

OPEN DAY

Tuesday 19th October

9:30-10:30 or 5-6

ATTENDANCE



RC



4G

This week's best attendance prize winners! Well done!

Colmers Farm League Table to date.
How is your class doing?

Pos	Class	Games played	Points
1	RC	3	9
=	2B	3	9
3	4G	3	7
4	RF	3	6
=	1K	3	6
=	2H	3	6
=	3T	3	6
=	6D	3	6
9	3H	3	4
10	1F	3	3
=	1W	3	3
=	5T	3	3
=	6B	3	3
14	4J	3	0
=	5A	3	0

This week's winners:

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



Wow!
152 children have
had **100%**
attendance and 0
lates this week!
Well done!

This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Maria-Mae J-B 1K	Kaydi-Anne B 2H
Tyler C 4G	Zahara P-S 3T
Chloe S 5T	Kayden H 6D



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

Hudson R RC	Troyzier D RC	Joshua J RF	Thomas W 5T
Myah M 1W	Josh D 1K	Paityn F 1F	Loushus L 6B
Noah P 2B	Tiegan B 2B	Wanny M 3T	Nevaeh M 4J



This week's house point results.

776



Farah

631

Thompson

735

Daley

647

Ennis-Hill

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 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

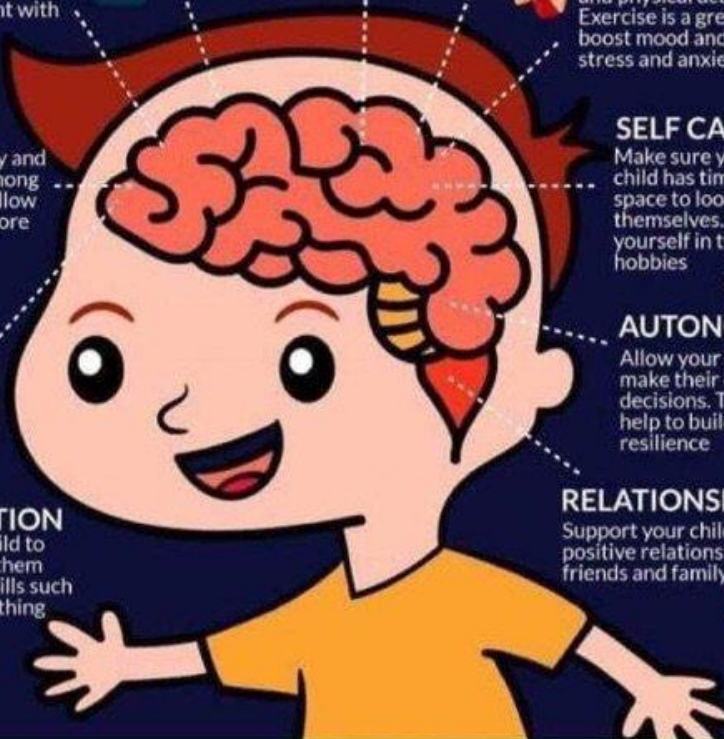
RELATIONSHIPS

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



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
0121 464 2158 or visit us at:

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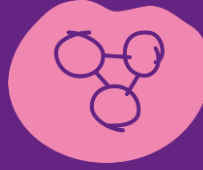
Special Needs
& Disabilities



Bereavement



Housing



Sexual
Health



Mental
Health



Play



Birmingham Children's Partnership



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EarlyHelpEdgbaston@gatewayfs.org
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Erdington

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0121 748 8199

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0121 752 1900

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07570 953519 (9:30am to 4:30pm)

Selly Oak

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07976 199894

Sutton Coldfield

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0121 752 1860

Ladywood

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07764 977636

Yardley

EarlyHelpYardley@barnardos.org.uk
0121 289 4875



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.

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/>

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