



Colmers Farm Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Celebrating another special week at our
nurturing school



Parking on Belton Grove

Please can we remind all parents who park on Belton Grove to park considerately. Please be aware of road marking, such as white lines by drives, and please do not park on paths as this reduces the space for pedestrians. Thank you for your support with this.



Friday 21st May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you have had a good week.

There are a couple of new features we've introduced in this week's newsletter. We've introduced a birthdays section where we will be celebrating the birthdays of our pupils throughout the year. We have also added a pupil e-safety challenge. Please ask this question to your child to see if they make the right choices online.

Over the last couple of weeks, our reception classes have been eagerly waiting for their eggs to hatch. All of the eggs have now hatched and we at Colmers Farm, are now the proud parents of 10 very fluffy chicks. The staff and children have had great fun naming them and watching their antics. The chicks have also been quite well travelled since their hatchings and have already had their first few sleep overs at several of our staff's houses.

In spite of the government's recent relaxations in some Coronavirus restrictions, the threat has not completely disappeared, especially with new variants such as the Indian variant on the rise. Our risk assessment is still in place at our school. Please see below our expectations of parents when you are on the school playgrounds.

Parents Please:

-  **Only 1 adult per child**
-  **Wear a face covering**
-  **Stay 2m apart**
-  **Leave site quickly**

DIARY DATES

29/05/21
Half Term begins
(school closed)

07/06/21
School reopens

05/07/21
First Aid training for
Year 3 children

06/07/21
First Aid training for
Year 5 children

07/07/21
New class transition
day

Please follow us on Twitter!

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

@Colmers_FarmPS



What's new on our website this week?



- * New SAGE newsletter (SAGE Award page)
- * Updated Covid risk assessment (Coronavirus information page)

www.colmersfarm.excelsiormat.org

Whilst popping in and out of lessons this week, I was very impressed with the castles art work that Year 4 have created, using different shapes, based on the work of the artist Paul Klee. I look forward to seeing these once they have been fully completed.

Thank you for your support in helping to keep our school community as safe as possible.

I hope that you have a lovely and hopefully restful weekend

Mr Williams

Happy Birthday Messages

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

Olivia D 5m who is 10 today

Freya R 4J who is 9 today

Cian E 6T who is 11 today

Harvey G in 5M who will be 10 on Sunday

Jacob T 6T in who will be 11 on Sunday

Jack H 6D who will be 11 on Monday

Olivia C-T 5TM who will be 10 on Monday

Harley N 3T who will be 8 on Monday

Jacob H 3B who will be 8 on Monday

Harley N 3T who will be 8 on Monday

Alyssa K 3B who will be 8 on Monday

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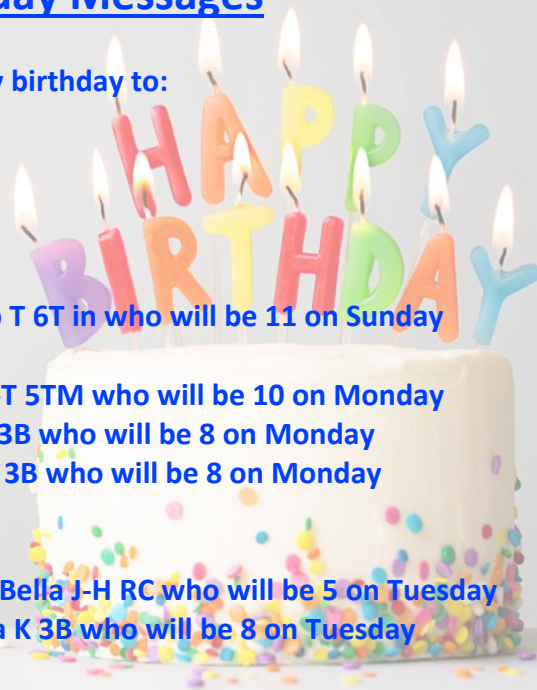
Makonnen J-H RF who will be 5 on Tuesday

Lali-Bella J-H RC who will be 5 on Tuesday

Elijah P RF who will be 5 on Tuesday

Aliza K 3B who will be 8 on Tuesday

Callie-Ann 5TM who will be 10 on Tuesday



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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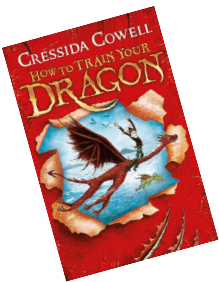
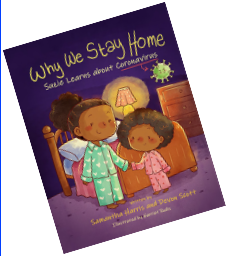
Pupil e-safety challenge

What would your child do if this happened to them?

Your friends make fun of another one of your friends whilst playing an online game. What do you do?

1. Join in, it's fine. I didn't start it.
2. Join in, it's only banter (fun).
3. Not join in.
4. Not join in and tell a trusted adult about it.

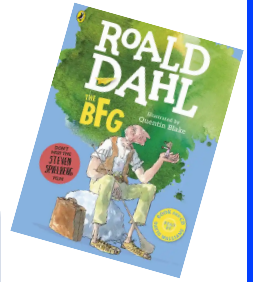
This week's answer = 4



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).

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	5M	642,078	+448,289
2 nd	6D	298,942	-241,838
3 rd	3T	237,037	+114,734
4 th	5TM	172,899	-5,737
5 th	4J	66,614	+30,083
6 th	3B	58,217	-34,480
7 th	6T	58,011	-65,391
8 th	4G	26,855	-23,096

Well done 5M!

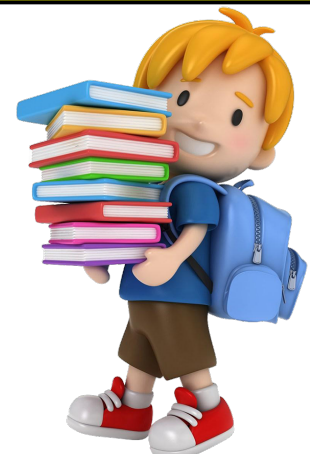
School record – 6D – 1,526,726 words in one week (22/04/21)



Well done

3T!

97% of your class took part in Accelerated Reader this week. This was the highest percentage in our school!



Head Girl Book Suggestion



Title: Dara Palmers Major Drama.
Author: Emma Shevah
Illustrator: Helen Crawford-White
Publisher: Chicken House
Release Date: July 5th, 2016
My Rating: 10/10

An extremely captivating story of a young girl who wishes to be a Hollywood super star, and has her dreams crushed when her drama teacher does not give her the role that she desires. Dara Palmer is from Cambodia and was adopted by a British couple, Mrs, and Mr Palmer. She has a younger Russian sister who is also adopted and an older brother.

Readers would enjoy this book because she's relatable, Dara wants to become an actress like her life depends on it and uses a lot of phrases and similes to describe the way she is feeling such as, "I was so nervous...my heart knocked in my ribcage like a stick being dragged across..." As well as that, she uses weird onomatopoeia (sound words) to describe noises: *huuuggghhtttt* and *kzzzzcchchhhh*.

I find the notes Dara and her sister had written to each other amusing, I was not expecting to see the examples illustrated in the book. Even though they are adopted, they are very much sisters. Different types of relationships are emphasised throughout the book.

Dara's life and death dictionary will challenge your pronunciation and how fluent you are in Khmer. I love this book, it's an easy read, humorous, relatable and I recommend it to others. This book's intended audience is for children. However, seeing how this is an extremely good book, I don't see why an adult couldn't read and enjoy this book.



NEW!

Colmers Farm Attendance League Table!

There are an increasing number of children arriving to school late in the mornings. This late arrival impacts the children's whole day and is key in children getting themselves settled and organised for the school day. The day's timetable is shared, and any important messages given, as well as lunches ordered and learning opportunities such as reading taking place.

Minutes lost each day	Days lost per school year
5 minutes	3 days
10 minutes	6.5 days
15 minutes	10 days
20 minutes	13 days
30 minutes	19 days



This week's fixtures have taken place and the results are in!

Well done to our **winning** classes!



Fixture List **Week 6**

85.9%	6T vs 1F	93.8%
88.3%	4J vs 4G	91.3%
91.5%	5M vs 3T	91.5%
92.1%	5TM vs 3B	92.7%
94.3%	6D vs 2H	94.3%
92.0%	RC vs 2B	91.4%
91.0%	RF vs 1W	92.6%

6T v 4J
5M v 4G
5TM v 3T
6D v 3B
RC v 2H
RF v 2B
1F v 1W



This Week's Hot Chocolate Winners

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

Freya 4J

Khaleesi 1F

Kade RC

Beth 3B

Stevie 6D

Tim 2H

William 5TM

Stevie 6D



This week's congratulations assembly recipients

Well done to:

Rainy W 2B

Omari M 4J

Harley N 3T

Kayleigh B 2H



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

PE kit and footwear to them for free. Please visit

www.ruberyswopshop.co.uk or contact

ruberyswopshop@outlook.com for more information.





SEND BRIEFING PARENT WEBINAR

June 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.

Speech & Language Therapy

Speech & Language Summer Camp 2021

Speaker: Tamsin Ruane– Speech & Language Therapist
Annie Loftus – Speech & Language Therapist

Tuesday 15th June - 10.00am – 11.00am – Supporting your child's speech, language and communication over the summer holidays, age 0-5.
TICKET LINK: [Speech & Language Summer Camp 2021 for Ages 0-5](#)

Wednesday 16th June–2.00pm – 3.00pm – Supporting your child's speech, language and communication over the summer holidays, age 5+.
TICKET LINK: [Speech & Language Summer Camp 2021 for Age 5+](#)

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



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