



Coleshill C of E Primary School and Nursery

Inspiring our children to flourish and enjoy 'Life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)



READING FOR PLEASURE

Mrs Fagg couldn't resist taking this shot as children in Year 5 were enjoying their new reading den. This year, the shared areas in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 have been turned into larger, more usable book corners and reflection areas for the whole year group to enjoy, read and reflect.



This Week's House Points

1st	** Giraffes **	412
2nd	Elephants	393
3rd	Pandas	273
4th	Leopards	235



Attendance

Attendance dipped a little this week; I think the terrible weather and flooding may have been partly responsible! However whole school attendance for Autumn term to date is still **97.2%**.

Well done!

Top three classes this week;

3P (99.6%), 6J (98.9%) and 1JO (98.8%)

Classes above 96%

**4M (98.3%), 5FH (98.2%), 3J (98.2%), 4G (97.8%), RM (97.3%) and 5C (97.3%)
RJ (96.9%), 1W (96.5%), 2R (96.3%), 2MW (96.00%)**

Classes below 96%

6B (94.8%)





Flood!

We have managed to get through the week despite the best efforts of the British weather!

Rising water flooded through the Y3 classrooms, sunshine room and hall extension soaking carpets and coving the entire hall.



Our staff worked tirelessly to bale water out of the building for the next 3 hours—assisted by Mr Robinson (pictured left) who'd only popped in to ask a question at reception!

Thanks to their teamwork and a very early morning start from the cleaners, we were able to open as usual on Wednesday morning.

We currently have a large number of dehumidifiers running 24/7 and carpet cleaners booked for the beginning of next week.





Can I say thank you to parents who helped us by collecting children early to allow the clear up to continue. Also, apologies to Y4 parents who arrived to find their children had not yet returned from swimming!

We anticipate our Year 3 children being back in their classrooms early next week as the carpets are now drying out quite quickly.





Brave Oscar has a Major Trim!

Oscar in Y6 did an amazing thing last week all in the aid of Charity. He acted kindly on behalf of those who are unfortunate enough to be struggling with cancer treatment.

Oscar, who was famous at Coleshill for his lengthy locks decided to get a major trim and give his hair to the charity Little Prince to be made into a hair piece for those who have lost their own hair. Oscar's hair had grown to the required 7 inches so was perfect for donating.

Oscar said, "I was a bit nervous before having it done but afterwards I was really relieved because I'd actually done it. " He added, "I felt light headed after the cut because I've had long hair for 2 years!"

We are really proud of Oscar for showing such Kindness and thinking of those who are less fortunate than himself. Well done Oscar .

BEFORE

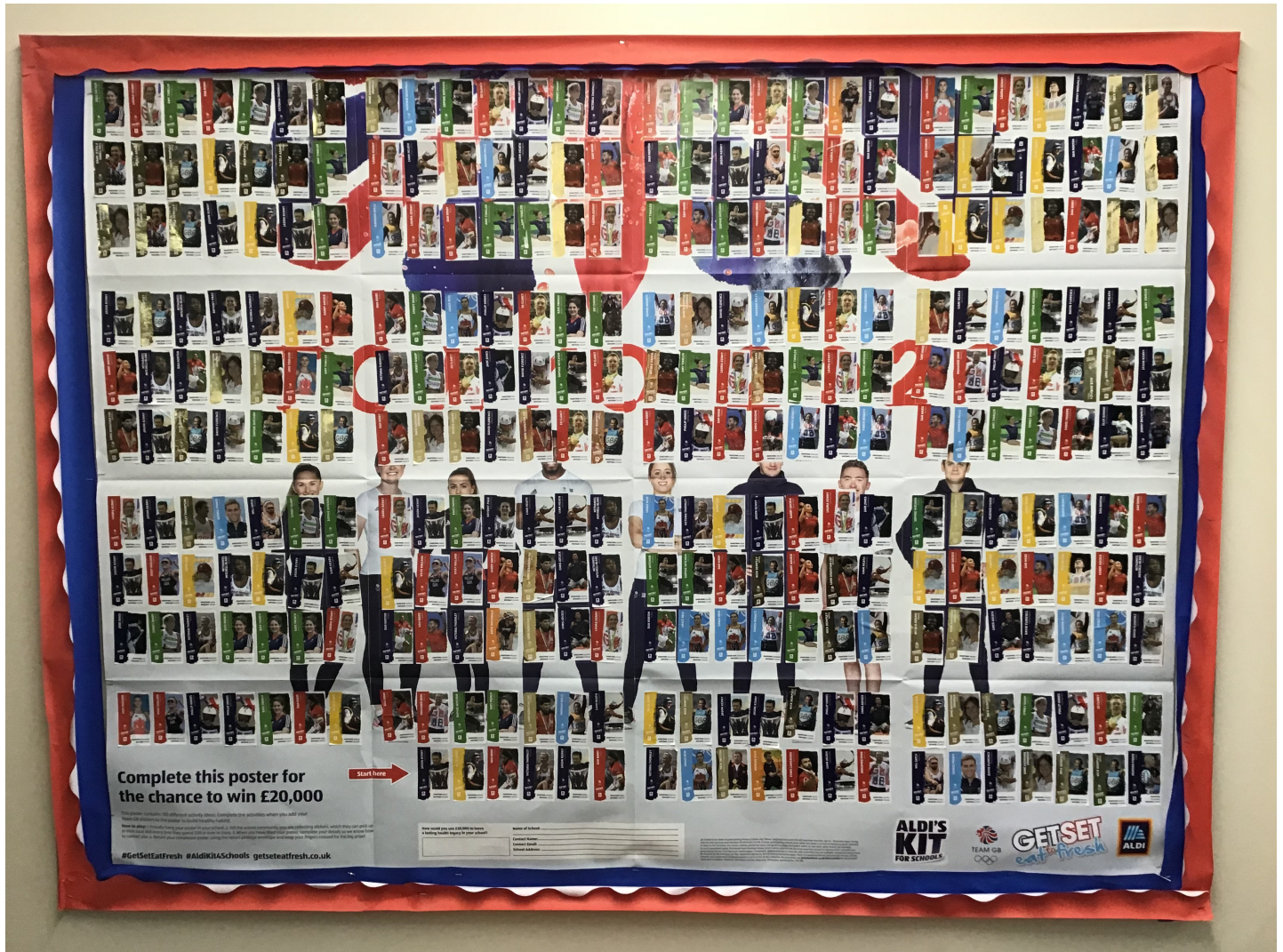


AFTER





Please keep going with the Aldi Stickers



We have already managed to fill our first poster so a pack of goodies will be on its way soon from Aldi.

A new empty chart will replace this one next week for us to fill!



Warwickshire Safeguarding have sent us a statement about their Relationship Education Programme, All About Me, which has recently received considerable unwelcome profile. I have decided to reproduce the statement in full due to a number of you asking me about the newspaper article this week.

All About Me is a programme that many schools in Warwickshire use. Your school currently does not use the programme but that may mean that your parents are more concerned as they will not have had the briefing that parents of children at schools using All About Me will have had.

You may wish to use some of the following messages to parents of children at your school to provide them with reassurance. In order to ensure a consistent message, they have also formed the basis of our briefings to councillors and MPs.

It might be of some comfort that, although there has been a lot of negative comment on social media, the views of people in Warwickshire remain very balanced. The more heated criticism seems to be coming from out of county. Nevertheless, we appreciate that parents may be concerned so we have provided the information below to help you to provide reassurance.

The facts:

1. The "All About Me" programme is not about sex education. It is about relationships education and staying safe.
2. The allegation that six year old children are taught "self stimulation" is inaccurate and simply not true. The picture shown in the Mail on Sunday was a screenshot of professional training materials, developed for the teachers who will be using the programme. This is not the language or material that is used in lessons. Teachers have asked for support, guidance and materials to give them confidence in dealing with specific issues or questions that may arise from children. This material is for teaching the teachers, it is not the material used directly with schoolchildren.
3. The programme is an evidence-based resource which has been thoroughly researched and is planned and delivered in line with the national statutory Department for Education guidance
4. All About Me has been in place in Warwickshire for over a year and was preceded by a similar programme which ran for six years. It is used by many schools across Warwickshire and feedback is usually very positive

The "All About Me" programme

1. This programme is evidence-based and thoroughly researched. It draws on a range of resources including NSPCC materials.
2. Relationship education is compulsory. If schools choose to take up the "All About Me" programme, they consult with governors, teachers and parents before signing up to the programme. At this point, they are given full training to deliver the programme along with ongoing support.
3. The programme is fundamentally about safeguarding; talking to children about how to stay safe. It draws on, among others, NSPCC materials. It is based on using age-appropriate language and materials and teachers are able to select the material that is appropriate for their pupils' age, understanding and questions. The essence of the programme is about giving children the skills to make safe choices.



Nursery Parent Consultation

Nursery parent consultation sessions will take place on Thursday October 24th
3.15pm — 4.30pm.

Please speak to a member of the Nursery team for more information.



The Coleshill School



OPEN EVENING 6.00-8.00 pm Thursday 10th October 2019



Come and meet our fabulous staff, have a tour of the school with our amazing students and enjoy a range of action-packed activities!

Our motto of 'Learning and Achieving Together' reflects everything we do. We are a welcoming school with high expectations of all members of our school community. We believe that every child can achieve beyond their potential and look to nurture their talents and abilities within a culture of success.

Ofsted May 2016: *'This is a good school',
'Across all key stages, including sixth form, pupils make good progress from their starting points'*

'Pupils feel well supported by pastoral staff, who are available all day. Younger pupils say there is always a trusted adult to approach should the need arise.'

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*****FUN FEST COLESHILL Holiday Club is open for October half term.*****

Over 20 different activities for your children to enjoy including all the favourites and our BRAND NEW sessions Lego Creations and Coleshill's Got Talent.

PLEASE BOOK EARLY at www.fun-fest.co.uk/colview



- ♦ **Apple-Pressing**—bring apples to squeeze into juice
- ♦ **Joyful-Singing**—favourite harvest hymns accompanied by Coleshill Town Band
- ♦ **Others-Blessing**—all tinned and packaged foods donated to Kingfisher Food Bank

**Come, ye thankful
people, come!**

Harvest Festival at Coleshill Parish Church

Sunday 6th October 10.30am



Love fine music in a beautiful setting?

You are warmly invited to:

Choral Evensong with Birmingham Cathedral Choir



at Coleshill Parish Church
Sunday 13th October at 4pm
Refreshments Afterwards
& chance to meet the choir