

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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Our school community

A little piece of Spring shared this week; Sarah took this wonderful photograph of Tori's tree in our Forest School outdoor classroom. With the better weather, we will be trying to do more outdoor learning and look out for when Forest School sessions will be held with each class via notifications on Dojo or Tapestry.

Remember term ends next week after school on Thursday 1st April, as the Friday is Good Friday and a holiday. Term then restarts on Monday 19th April.



Easter Services

You will now have received by email your link to your child's Easter service next week – if you have not received this please contact the school office. Please can we ask all family members joining to join on mute and to put your child's name on your Zoom screen.

Young Voices Public Speaking

A final reminder re our Young Voices competition class rounds which will be held next week before our online final after Easter judged by Ilminster Rotary. We will also soon be sending out our next competition which will be our Poetry Recital competition with Ilminster Literary festival. This will be the fifth time we have organised and run this and whilst this one will remain inter school it has been changed to a virtual competition this year due to Covid.

Inclusion Audit

Please see the information attached re the Local Area Inclusion Audit in response to the Written Statement of Action for SEND in Somerset. The audit needs as many as possible to respond so please take this chance to have your say.

Headlice

A reminder that head lice are not scared away by Covid so please keep checking your children's hair at least weekly so any lice or eggs can be treated quickly.

Breakfast and After School Clubs

Don't forget we are still offering wrap around care in our breakfast and after school clubs from 8am (once we can lift Covid restrictions this will return to from 7.45am) to 5.30pm. If you would like further details including the cost of sessions please email or contact the school office.

Covid

A reminder that any information e.g. if your child or someone in your household is self-isolating, waiting for a test or when they have received a result should be sent by email to the school office at greenfylde@educ.somerset.gov.uk.

Your child must not come in if they have any Covid symptoms or if anyone else in their household has them and is waiting for a test.

Star of the Week

Congratulations to our stars for this week.

Dove	Roman-Graham H & Austin G
Pippin	Matilda-Rose P & Toby L

Golden	Archie D & Ailsa P
Puffin	Robyn M & Eddie P
Camelot	Henry C & Max W
Hook	Leon P & Harriet G
Dunkerton	Luke H & Phoebe G

Morgan	Tai L & Tighe J
Ashton	Oscar M & Lana S
Coker	Phoebe M & Darcie R
Coopers	Ella B & Logan F
Gatcombe	Tiger Lilly C & Jamie H



Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 1st April at 9.30am for Years 3 and 4 and **Thursday 1st April at 1.30pm for Reception and Years 1 and 2**. Please note this is not an April Fools day trick, we are changing the day/time for some of the stars so we get these in before the end of term!

Families of the recipients are welcome to attend via Zoom and a link will be sent out to the contact emails we have for our stars. We encourage all family members to stay until the end of the celebration if possible.

Please note if joining via Zoom no recordings or screen shots should be taken of the sessions for safeguarding and we ask you to remain on mute. Please also be aware of your screen name and we ask that this is changed to your child's name.

What is the Inclusion Inquiry?

As part of our work to improve SEND services within Somerset, we have launched an 'Inclusion Inquiry' in order to find out about educational inclusion within Somerset. This is not an audit or an evaluation but a conversation. We want to hear from you about your experiences of education inclusion in Somerset. By education inclusion, we mean that children and young people with any additional needs or disabilities are able to access and participate in education without experiencing issues and barriers. We would like to hear from children, young people, parents, carers, families, professionals, community members and anyone who would like to contribute. We are interested in what has been a good experience for you, what could have been improved and what you would like to see happen in the future in school, in your community and if relevant, in any clubs or leisure activities. Your views will be used to help us understand what we do well and what we could do better.

You can find more information about the Inclusion Inquiry, including video clips and a poster/leaflet by visiting <https://choices.somerset.gov.uk/025/send-news/send-written-statement-of-action-improvement-priority-6-1-inclusion-inquiry/send-news/>

We are asking professionals if they could help us to promote the inquiry to the families and children/young people they work with, as well as supporting them to have their say, in any of the following ways.

The Inclusion inquiry is **open now** and this opportunity for people to have their say will close on **Friday 30th April 2021**.

How do you have your say?



Click on the Inclusion Inquiry survey link [CLICK HERE](#) – and answer a few questions



Contact your school, a trusted adult, professional or organisation and ask how you can be involved in the Inclusion Inquiry



Post letters, drawings, documents to: **Inclusion Inquiry, County Hall, Taunton, TA1 4DY** Remember to include your name and contact email address, if you want us to get back in touch.



Send a message/upload a video, photo or sound clip via WhatsApp on **07775221297**.



Email Inclusion_Inquiry@somerset.gov.uk with your view, and attach any photos or documents

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us at inclusion_inquiry@somerset.gov.uk



The Tuck Shop is back!!

The tuck shop is making a come back.... But not as you remember it!

The new process will be managed on a Termly pre order basis.

This offer is also extended to siblings that don't attend the school but would like to be included
.....or parents for that matter 😊

What you need to do

1. Pop £3 per child in an envelope
2. Write 'Tuck shop', along with your Childs name, Class and quantity required on the front
3. Post it through the school letter box by 9am on Thursday 1st April
4. Your child will be sent home with a 50p premixed bag of sweets on each of the 6 Fridays up to the May holidays



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Sunny Ile and Cygnet Pre School

Safeguarding – Covid

A reminder that any information e.g if your child or someone in your household is self-isolating, waiting for a test or when they have received a result should be sent by email to sunnyile@educ.somerset.gov.uk. Your child must not come in if they have any Covid symptoms or if anyone else in their household has them and is waiting for a test. Thank you to all the adults dropping off/picking up children wearing your masks.

Useful Resources

A useful document "What to expect, when?", published by 4Children supported by Department for Education, is guidance for parents about children's learning & development in EYFS and is available to download <https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/What-to-Expect-When-2018.pdf>

We thought you might also find the following website useful and interesting when looking for activities to do with your children at home: The Imagination Tree - <http://theimaginationtree.com>

This website has interesting information for the health of your children: St John's Ambulance baby CPR - <https://www.sja.org.uk/get-advice/first-aid-advice/paediatric-first-aid/how-to-do-cpr-on-a-child/>

Below is a link to the NSPCC online safety tool to support you and safeguard your children
NSPCC Online Safety - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety>

Information sharing

If your child has done anything exciting during the week-end or holidays or has achieved a particular milestone, we would like to know so that we can talk about such an event with them. Please add to your child's Tapestry account, we would love to see them and this will give a complete overview of your child's learning experiences at Pre-School and at home, on outings and holidays.

Toys

Our Covid-19 risk assessment, which adheres to current Government Guidelines, states that due to a risk of transmitting the virus, toys are not permitted to be brought to nursery from home. Please help staff and children by keeping your children's toys at home –Thank you

Dates to Remember

Both preschools will close at 3.30pm on Thursday 1 April 2021 for the Easter holidays. We reopen on Monday 19 April 2021



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Sunny Ile Preschool

"Health and Self Care" has been our focus this week. This area is important for children to learn about independence. All ages can be involved with activities such as washing hands, getting dressed/undressed and learning about happens to our body when we exercise. We hope you enjoyed our email regarding Road to school – which gave excellent activities to help your child at home.

Nappies

Please can we kindly remind parents that your child must have enough nappies and wipes for each session they are in. We are able to apply nappy cream. This can be kept at preschool and used when necessary. We will need a signed permission form from you before we can apply the cream. Please speak to a member of staff if you have a questions.

Adult Led Focus

For this week, we won't have a specific focus as your key person will be completing a key person knowledge of your child. You may notice an observation which will have many of the areas highlighted. This will then be used for the tracking which we complete every term. This is where we plan your child's needs and interests for the following term.

STC

Next week's signs are – **'Window'** and **'Door'**. Please ask your child what they have learnt and have a look on our Facebook page.

Cygnets Preschool

This week the children have been enjoying watching our frogspawn turn into little tadpoles. As well as some lovely junk modelling.

Coats

Please can we remind you that although we have been having some lovely weather, the children do still need to bring coats as it is still a bit chilly.

Spare clothes

We are running very low on spare boy's clothes, if you have anything at home that you could donate it would be very much appreciated.

Letter of the week

Next week our letter / sound of the week will be E, we always love to see what things you find around the home with your child, to post on tapestry for the letter of the week.

