

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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Sunflowers

On Wednesday 16th June, we will be having an afternoon of Sunflower themed work in conjunction with the Minster and the group Sunflowers of Somerset who provided each family with a set of sunflower seeds.

We would love to create a range of artistic displays related to this theme to go up both in the Minster and our school hall using a wide range of materials.

If you have any wool, buttons, material, felt, paper or other things that could be used for crafts that are especially in green and yellow colours that we can use then please could you drop these in with your child by Friday 11th June (first Friday after half term) so that they can be quarantined over the weekend for use the following Wednesday. We can then share these resources across the school.

In addition to this, we would love to know how your sunflowers are doing so far. Hopefully some green shoots have now appeared? If you are happy to provide us with any photos of these sunflowers growing at any stage then this would really help our project too. Please send these into the office or upload to google classroom.

Many thanks for your help in advance,

Mr Lewis

Water Bottles

A reminder that each child should come to school with a water bottle every day. We also ask that these only contain water not squash.

Half term

We hope the sun keeps shining through half term and wish our families a lovely week off and we'll see you again on Monday 7th June.

New Starters to Reception 2021

If you know anyone coming in September 2021, can you please help us by asking them if they are receiving the weekly emails from school? We are aware that some families haven't seen our weekly emails including the Greenfylde Dog stories, as they are no longer using the email with which they applied for their place (this is the email we are using as supplied by the Local Authority). If anyone says they are not receiving emails please can you direct them to the school office. Many thanks for your help.

Reporting absence 2

Please can we ask that any absence that is leaving early/arriving late/going for appointments is told to the school office and not just to the staff in your child's classroom. This helps us monitor attendance and maintain health and safety.

FrOGS

Thank you to all who have signed up for tuck shop and please note we are unable to accept any late requests. FrOGS have asked us to pass on that please can families check when paying that we use legal tender as have had Euros used this time to try and pay for tuck shop.

New Classes

Thank you to everyone who has sent in friendship choices for next year and apologies that by mistake some families got asked twice. We are currently putting the classes together and we are aiming to let families know of the classes and who their child's next teacher will be within the first two weeks back after half term.

Covid 19

Please remember to let us know if you are going for or have the results of any child's PCR test over the half term holiday. This can be emailed to greenfylde@educ.somerset.gov.uk and this email will be monitored everyday.

Star of the Week

Congratulations to this week's stars.

Dove	Troy B & Alex H
Pippin	Lydia G & Gus K
Golden	Rose I & Lucas S
Puffin	Jaxson W & Oliver P
Camelot	Betsy B & Finley P
Hook	Lee M & Poppy G
Dunkerton	Maya B & Noah T
Morgan	Oscar R & Hannah K
Ashton	Emily S & Oscar W-N
Coker	James L & Paige H
Coopers	Alfie C & Poppy H
Gatcombe	Darcie D & Sonnie C

Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 10th June at 9.30am for Years 3 and 4 and Friday 11th June at 9.30am for Reception and Years 1 and 2.

Families of our Lions 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.**

EYFS (Reception) - Year 6 Covid-19 testing



School staff and parents/carers

No symptoms

Twice-weekly testing with Lateral Flow Device tests

If LFD positive

Isolate immediately (along with household). Book a PCR test at a testing site within 48h*. Continue to isolate while you wait for your results.

Adults in a household or support bubble, where children regularly attend educational settings are advised to test twice-weekly.

To find out where to get a Lateral Flow Device test, visit:
www.somerset.gov.uk/coronavirus/covid-19-lateral-flow-test/

Anyone with symptoms

Symptoms include a *new* continuous cough, loss or change of taste or smell and/or a high temperature.

Isolate immediately (along with household) and book a PCR test. Only the person with symptoms needs a test. Continue to isolate while you wait for the results.

PCR

Positive

Negative

If PCR positive, continue to isolate (with your household) for 10+ days.

Isolation should start from the date of the positive test or the onset of symptoms.

Back to school or work when better

PCR test: At a testing site or at home (select when booking).

Please book here: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or dial 119

Primary aged children (Reception to year 6)

No symptoms

No symptoms? No test!

There's no need to test children in this age group if they have no symptoms. This includes after isolation, when going back to school

*If LFD positive, visit a testing site within 48h, to book visit:
www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

Please do not forget to record positive and negative results on the government website as instructed, as well as informing your school

For guidance on self-isolation, please visit: www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection



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Sunny Ile and Cygnet Pre School

Safeguarding – Illness

At our settings, we realise that all children have minor illnesses, such as minor coughs and colds. Being in Preschool there is a chance of spreading infections to other children and staff. Depending on the symptoms parents may want to consider keeping their child from the Pre-School in accordance with our guidelines for exclusion. Parents are required to notify the Pre-School if their child is unwell. We advise that your child remains at home where they can be kept comfortable and allowed to rest, in able to recover quickly. Thank you for your cooperation in this.

Safeguarding – Absences

Please ring your Preschool if your child is going to be absent for their session. Please leave an answerphone message. Following our Policy if we haven't heard from you, we will ring to make sure that everything is ok.

Dates to Remember

Both preschools will close at the end of the day on Friday 28 May 2021 for the May Half Term holiday. We reopen on Monday 7 June 2021.

Cygnets Preschool

This week at preschool we have been practicing our balancing skills on the balance boards and creating castles with our big Lego blocks in the garden, keep an eye out on tapestry for some lovely photos.

We hope you all enjoy a lovely half term break and we will see you all when we return.

Letter of the week:

The letter/ sound of the week for the week we return to preschool who'll be S.

Sunny Ile Preschool

This week we have been planting more plants. We now have onions, tomatoes, geraniums and love looking after them by watering them each day. Luckily the sun has shone more this week so will help them grow more over the next few weeks.

Activities this week

We have had lots of fun this week. From building robots, kite making, rainbows, the biggest car track "In the world", painting, playdough, sparkle oats, Den building and even lots of fun hide and seek outside in the sunshine.



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Sunflowers

We have had lots of pictures on Tapestry of your growing sunflowers. Your sunflowers are getting so tall, remember to keep watering them and hopefully we will have some more sunshine to help them grow. We will see who has the tallest sunflower by the end of next month – can it be taller than you?

Dropping off

We would like to remind parents that the gates will open at 9.00am for the start of the morning session. We will leave at 9.05 so we are not waiting too long and we can start walking back to Preschool to start our day with our routines. There has still been many occasions that parents have been late for drop off causing a delay in getting the children back.

Adult led focus

We have had some wonderful observations from parents this term and it's so nice to have a lovely journal for your child with parent's observations as well as Preschool. Our school leavers journals will be completed over the next few weeks, ready for you child's leavers report. We hope these journals have created such wonderful memories here at Sunny Ile

Letter sound of the week

Our letter sound after half term is "B" please add to tapestry examples of this sound – the children have been really good at naming objects beginning with N this week – we have made a lovely display board in our cloakroom of all your letters sounds over the past few weeks – its so nice to see many of our families getting involved.

Covid

We would like to remind parents that if your child is suffering with Covid symptoms, please do not use a lateral flow test to test these symptoms. Please contact 119 for advice on what to do and a PCR test would be needed.