# **GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL**

# **Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny lie Pre Schools**

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# Our school community

This week we're thinking about how everyone needs a smile. Now, we know some mornings it isn't always easy to find a smile so we're nominating happiness ambassadors for each class who will be there if anyone needs to share a smile. These will be nominated half termly and for this half term we will have:

Dove	Madeleine
Pippin	Ava
Sandew	Cameron
Golden	Eli
Puffin	Dorothy
Camelot	Reggie
Hook	Larissa
Dunkerton	Ivy
Morgan	Fletcher
Ashton	Finley
Coker	Leon
Coopers	Mollie-Mae
Gatcombe	Alice



# **Flu Vaccinations**

Please see the information attached re the whole school Flu Vaccinations. Unfortunately, due to the 12-15 year old Covid vaccinations our original date has now been postponed and we are just awaiting the service to provide a new date. In the meantime, Somerset Saints would appreciate families completing the consent link which is included in the letter attached to this newsletter.

# Uniform – a reminder as lost property is growing already!

The children are all looking very smart at the start of term but we are noticing that a lot of uniform is not named and one jumper/cardigan looks very much like another. Please can you check all clothing is named and that does include underwear when swimming.

# Local Authority Drop In Sessions re Area Review

The Local Authority would like to invite you to attend one of three events, as outlined below to help you find out more re the Area Review process. These events are designed to help you to make choices when the admissions process starts later this month, provide more about the programme of building works, and offer an opportunity to ask the project team any questions you may have. In person session – Crewkerne Date: Monday 27 September Time: 10-minute pre-booked individual time slots between 4pm and 7pm

Venue: Wadham School, Yeovil Road, Crewkerne TA18 7NT

How to book: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/crewkerne-information-session-tickets169847112285

Virtual session Date: Tuesday 28 September Time: from 6pm to 7pm

Venue: Microsoft Teams Live group event

How to book: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/crewkerneilminster-virtual-informationsession-tickets-169859156309

In person session – Ilminster Date: Thursday 30 September Time: 10-minute pre-booked individual time slots between 5pm and 8pm

Venue: Swanmead Community School, Ditton Street, Ilminster TA19 OBL

How to book: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ilminster-information-session-tickets169847904655



# Morrisons

If you shop at Morrisons please would you consider nominating Greenfylde as your recipient of the current Good to Grow tokens. Between 5<sup>th</sup> September and 24<sup>th</sup> October, all you need to do is download the MyMorrisons all, head to the It's Good to Grow section and select Greenfylde to donate your Grow Tokens to. School will be able to redeem these for a wide range of gardening equipment that will help with our Gardening classroom and Forest School area.

# Safeguarding – keeping safe coming and going to school

Please can we ask families to support us in keeping our children safe and learning how to keep themselves safe coming and going to school.

If you are using the crossing with the crossing patrol on Canal Way please can you talk to your children about why we only walk when the green figure is showing.

We would also like to ask if families dropping off/picking up for breakfast/after school club would please consider not leaving their engines running as they go to the Annexe.

The County school transport provider has also raised concerns with their ability to access the yellow zig zag lines before and after school. Please can we ask families using the SSDC car park to only park in designated spaces and to only park on the yellow lines down Wharf Lane if you have an appropriate disability badge or equivalent.

Thank you for your support in these areas.

# **Breakfast and After School Clubs**

Do you have a child with additional needs in your family? We are looking to restart our SEND coffee morning and need your input in these. Please complete the short form below via the link so you can help us shape these events.

https://forms.office.com/r/d3pJjhmFBi

# Covid

A reminder that any information e.g if your child is waiting for a test or when they have received a result should be sent by email to the school office at <u>greenfylde@educ.somerset.gov.uk</u>. Your child must not come in if they have any Covid symptoms (high temperature, loss of taste/smell, new continuous cough). If your child has symptoms or is identified as a close contact, you should get a PCR test <u>https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u> and not use lateral flow tests (LFTs) as these are not suitable for our age of children.

# **Star of the Week**

Congratulations to our stars for this week.

Dove	Juliet O & Hughie J
Pippin	Matilda W & Dylan C
Sandew	George P & Carter N
Golden	Eli H-B & Louisa L
Puffin	Dorothy W & Albert W
Camelot	Oliver H & Bramah B
Hook	Alfey S & Miriam H
Dunkerton	Jacob C & Robyn M
Morgan	Oliver G & Brody R
Ashton	Rory D & Henry C
Coker	Izy C & Harriet G
Coopers	Olivia M & Harvey B
Gatcombe	Bailey B & Joseph G



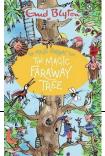
Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 9.30am for Years 3 and 4. Following a lot of requests we are keeping these awards virtual so that family from across the country/world can join.

<u>Families of the recipients are welcome to attend via Zoom and a link will be sent out to the</u> <u>contact emails we have for our stars.</u> 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.

# Have a look at a book!

This week's book has been recommended by Ashton class' reading ambassador Poppy O, she has suggested reading The Magic Faraway Tree.



Somerset SAINT (School Aged Children Immunisation Nursing Team) Lower Building Bracken House Chard Somerset TA20 1YA

Tel: 0300 3230032

Dear Parent/Guardian

# FLU VACCINATION FOR ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (From Reception up to and including Year 11)

From September all school aged children (from Reception up to and including Year 11) will be offered the flu vaccination. (Please note that in special educational needs schools, the vaccination will be offered to children up to and including 17 years old).

The vaccine is given as a simple spray up the nose. It is painless, quick, and serious side effects are uncommon. It is designed to protect your child against flu which can be an unpleasant illness and, although rarely may cause serious complications. The flu vaccine provides protection against the strains that are predicted to circulate in the coming season. These strains may change from year to year which is why we recommend receiving the vaccination every year.

Further information can be found at the Public Health England website <u>www.nhs.uk/child-flu</u>. This information includes details about children for whom the nasal spray is not appropriate.

Please complete the consent form (one for each child, please) using the following link <u>https://saint.somersetft.nhs.uk/flu/2021/east</u> as soon as possible, this link will close two working days prior to the session date. If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason please contact Somerset SAINT for assistance.

# Please complete the consent form even if you do not consent to the vaccination.

If your child is not in mainstream education or is home educated then please contact Somerset SAINT on the above number to book into one of our community-based sessions.

The consent form can only completed by someone with parental responsibility, if you have any queries about whether or not you hold parental responsibility and are therefore able to complete the consent form please contact the immunisation team on the above number.

There is an expectation that the immunisation team will only visit your child's school once during this programme, although community based catch up sessions for children will be offered at the end of 2021/early 2022.

If your child becomes wheezy or has, their asthma medications increased just before or on the day of the vaccination session, please inform the Immunisation team on the day.

Yours sincerely Somerset SAINT



# Sunny-Ile Pre-School Cygnet Pre-School



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### Sunny lie and Cygnet Pre School

This week at both of our preschools we have been playing and exploring the settings fully, making the most of the autumn sunshine outside.

#### Lost Property

A big thank you to all our parents for naming the children's coats, bags and lunch boxes.

#### Lunch Box's

Please could we ask that any small foods that may be a choking hazard (sausages, grapes, tomatoes etc) are cut up in your child's lunch boxes, and that they are cut long ways to avoid any chance of choking.

We also have a 'No Nuts' policy in the preschools. Please do not send in foods which contains nuts. Nuts can cause some children to have adverse reactions, and in extreme cases can cause Anaphylactic shock.

#### Umbrella Competition

As many of you will already be aware there is no walking or illuminated carnival procession this year. As is one of the traditions of Ilminster Carnival, the decorating of an 'Umbrella Competition' will still be going ahead at Greenfylde School on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Our preschools are invited to take part with the school.

For those wishing to enter, we ask that the children are able to carry the umbrella and have enjoyed decorating the umbrella.

Umbrellas needs to be in preschool Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October in the morning for judging to take place later in the morning.

#### COVID

Please remember that any information for example if your child is waiting for a test or has received results should be sent to <u>hlancaster@educ.somerset.gov.uk</u> If your child has any symptoms (high temperature, continuous cough, loss of taste/smell) please do

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# Sunny Ile Pre School

## Children's Key Person

Every child has a key person at Sunny Ile Preschool. This means they are responsible for overseeing your child's happiness, progress and development. We hope that you have had opportunity to meet your child's Key Person this week.

We do have a 'Shared Care' approach which means that we are all here to help both you and your child. Our door is always open if you need to speak to your Key Person at any time either in person, by phone or sending the setting an email.

#### Tapestry

You will start to see some 'Wow' moments posted on tapestry for your children, we hope you enjoy looking at what the children have been doing at preschool. Please keep an eye out for an email regarding some changes to 'Tapestry'

#### Uniform

As you may have seen this week the children really enjoy messy play. We are sure you are aware this can get everywhere, especially paint!

At Sunny lie we do have a uniform available to purchase should you wish, this not only saves some of the discussions in the mornings but also stops any of their good clothes being ruined. Please speak to Helen on <a href="https://www.hliptic.com">https://www.hliptic.com</a> to purchase any.

Could we also ask that you include some spare clothes in their bags in case of any accidents?

## Cygnet Pre School

This week at Cygnets we have had fun with lots of creative play, making play dough and coloured rice, sharing stories together, as-well as lots of time spent outdoors with water play and exploring our new sand resources. The children are continuing to settle back in really well and forming some lovely friendships.

#### Swanmead Gates

Please can we ask that you continue to shut the gate when leaving the Swanmead site after drop off and collection times.

#### Carnival float

Keep a look out for our Cygnet sea monster carnival float the children have been working hard on creating this week. It will be displayed in the town.

#### Named items

Please can all items of clothing, bags, drink bottles and lunchboxes be named.

#### Tapestry

Keep an eye out on tapestry for some wonderful observations that are being uploaded daily of the exciting things the children have been doing.

#### Letter of the week

Next week our letter of the week will be R.



#### The Warehouse Theatre Arts Award Scheme.

We are pleased to announce that we are now able to offer children the opportunity to take part in the Explore Arts Award.

Dates: 25th September, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 9<sup>th</sup> October, 16<sup>th</sup> October half term 6<sup>th</sup> November, 13<sup>th</sup> November, 27<sup>th</sup> November, 4<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 3.00 - 4.30

Place: The Warehouse Theatre

Run by: Lucy Driver - Trained Arts Award Adviser.

Open to: All children aged 7-11

Cost: £65 to include all tuition, materials, assessments and final certificate, membership to film club and access to rehearsal of Warehouse Theatre Christmas Production of Tom's Midnight Garden.

#### Number of Spaces: 10

To Book please email: <u>lucydriver2000@gmail.com</u> or telephone 01460 55416

#### What is the Arts Award?

The Arts Award's mission is to support children and young people to enjoy the arts, to connect with and take part in the wider arts world, and develop creativity, communication and leadership skills.

#### Explore -

This is an entry level qualification in the Arts awarded by Trinity College London. It is designed for ages 7 and over.

During the course the young people will collect evidence in their individual log of their experiences of:

- active participation in a range of arts activities, including a personal response about what they have learnt from taking part
- · experience of arts organisations, artists and their work
- · creating a piece of artwork
- identification of what they have enjoyed and/or achieved, and their communication of this to others











Meet Avril, as part of your School Nursing Team

# Our role is to bridge the gap between Education and Health.

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- .Physical Health needs
- .Signposting to appropriate services
- .Public health awareness.

Telephone 03003230114 for the South Somerset School Nursing Team or email southsomersetsn@somerset.gov.uk

Please scan the QR code to give us your feedback.





# is your child 5-19 and are you

looking for confidential help and support?

A safe and easy way to contact your School Nursing Team

# Just send a text or scan me **07480 635 515**

Disclaimer: This is not an emergency service; it operates Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm and is only available by using a UK mobile number. Your messages are stored on our secure system and can be seen by the School Nursing Team who run our Chattlealth Service. Although this is a confidential service, in the event of an safeguarding issue the School Nurse has a duty of care to act on this and may escalate the concern.



