

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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Shoebboxes for Blythswood Care

Don't forget that half term is the ideal time to get your shoebboxes ready. Boxes need to be delivered directly to the Minster and this can now be up to Saturday 6th November.

FrOGs AGM and informal get together

FrOGs will be holding its AGM online on Thursday 4 November from 6:00 – 7:00pm. All are welcome to join us. Links to the meeting will be sent to families in a message from School Comms.

Half term holiday

We hope everyone can have a relaxing and enjoyable half term holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again after our INSET day when **school reopens on Wednesday 3rd November.**

2022/23 Holiday Dates

There will be a slight delay to sending these dates out to families as we are currently working with the Local Authority to look at the potential for additional days to facilitate the establishment of the new primary school in Ilminster if this goes ahead September 2022 subject to the judicial review.

Poppies

After half term we will have a poppy box from the Royal British Legion if children want to bring in their donations for a poppy.

Reporting absence

A reminder that when reporting absence please state the symptoms your child is experiencing as depending on these it changes their coding on the register. If we receive messages with just descriptions such as 'unwell' then the office will need to follow this up with you in a telephone call.

Victorian Day 2021

Victorian Day is on Friday 19th November this year. In addition to the usual celebrations in the town centre, we as a First School are also celebrating our 50th anniversary as well as originally being of Victorian origins. We would love it if children are able to come dressed in Victorian style clothing on this day and in school we will celebrate our school heritage.

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 greenfylde@educ.somerset.gov.uk. 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 <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> and not use lateral flow tests (LFTs) as these are not suitable for our age of children, and this has been confirmed by Public Health this last week.

Over half term we still need you to email the office on the address above if your child tests positive so we can monitor any patterns/transmission for Public Health (now call UK Health Security Agency).

Star of the Week

Congratulations to our stars for this week.

Dove	Ernie D & Frankie V
Pippin	Savannah-Wren A & Logan I
Sandew	Ariadna B & Charlie W
Golden	Esme B & Jessie T
Puffin	Elliot W & Eleanor T
Camelot	Roman-Graham H & Lenny A
Hook	Alice S & Ariella P
Dunkerton	Lily M & Rian P
Morgan	Sebastian G & Cruz Holloway
Ashton	Kyla H & Poppy O
Coker	Reggie S & Scarlett R
Coopers	Max C & Lucy E
Gatcombe	Tai L & Archie U

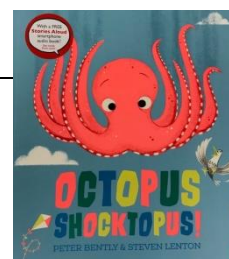
Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 4th November at 9.30am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Friday 5th November at 9.30am for Years 3 and 4.

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.**

Have a look at a book!

This week's book is one of the nominated Lollies - Laugh out Loud awards!





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Sunny Ile and Cygnet Pre School

COVID

Please remember that any information for example if your child is waiting for a test or has received results should be sent to hlancaster@educ.somerset.gov.uk
Telephone Number 01460 259732

If your child has any symptoms (high temperature, continuous cough, loss of taste/smell) please do not send your child into Preschool. Please look out for emails containing relevant updates.

Weather

With the change of weather this week the temperature has dropped, could we please ask that the children come in with warm clothing and a suitable coat, and also named. Many Thanks

Dates for your Diary

October Half Term week starts Monday 25th October – Monday 1 November 2021

Inset Day - Tuesday 2nd November. Both pre-schools reopen at 9am on Wednesday 3 November 2021

Cygnet Pre School

This week at pre-school we have had lots of fun exploring pumpkins with messy play. We've explored paints using some nature paintbrushes and we enjoyed a trip to the library.

Library trips

We have started to visit the library again which the children have enjoyed, it has been really lovely to get out and about again with the children to explore the town as part of our curriculum and provide children with opportunities to explore the world by offering them a range of experiences.

Congratulations

We would like to say congratulations to Sarah who has completed her initial language and literacy training and is continuing to study early literacy skills. She is sharing her knowledge with the team to ensure the setting continues to provide a language rich environment for children.

Forest school

We will be starting forest school sessions with Vernon after half term. The sessions will be a Wednesday morning. Children will need wellies, coats and water proofs (if you have them) for these sessions please.

We would like to wish you all a lovely half term.



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Sunny Ile Pre School

Again the children this week have been very busy, we have been doing exercising classes with 'Joe Wickes and Hey Dougey', decorating pumpkins and looking at Autumn Leaves. We have done lots of number focused activities, making play dough birthday cakes with candles and decorations.

Half term

25th – 2 November is Half term, we wish all our families a lovely break, it would be fantastic if you could post some of your adventures on 'Tapestry', this helps with the children's developments, often when the children are reminded of their adventures they love to chat to peers and adults about said adventures. We look forward to seeing you back at pre-school on Wednesday 3 November 2021.

Spare Clothes

The children have had a fantastic time this week, jumping in puddles. Please could we ask that there is a change of clothes in the children's bags? If your child comes home wearing pre-school clothes could we please ask that these are returned to us? Many Thanks.



Letters and sounds

This week our focus letter is 'T' we have been trying to think of as many verbs with the 'T' sound as we can, Teddy, Tiger, Tea, Toast, Turtle. Maybe you could name some more at home.



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**5pm to 6pm - Ages 5-8
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7pm to 8pm - Ages 11+**

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Fun

Ilminster and Broadway Hill Methodist Church Parent and Toddler Group.

Play

Welcoming and friendly group for Mummy, daddy, grandparents and childminders.

- Healthy snacks.
- Teas / Coffees.
- Ending the sessions with music time.

Open Tuesdays & Thursday at 9:30 to 11:00
£2.00 per Family.
Term time only.

Slides, trikes, cars construction toys, home area, baby area and much more!!
Facebook -
Ilminster and Broadway Methodist Playgroup

Creative

At the Parish Hall at the top of North Street. For more information please email ilminstermethodistplaygroup@gmail.com