

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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This week's news

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our engagement events over the last couple of weeks. We have enjoyed talking to lots of people in the community and this is an exciting time in working together to shape the new primary. Look out for an email soon announcing our new school name!

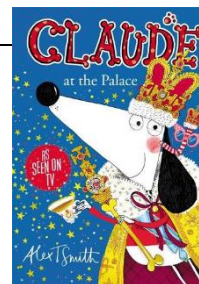
Well done to FrOGS and all involved in the pancake flipping, read on in the newsletter for this exceptional amount raised and this will all go to supporting establishing our new school with playground and Library areas.

Next Friday we have a Science Day so watch out for more information coming via Tapestry and Class Dojo.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has supported today's non uniform day, we have a very generous and caring school community to be proud of.

Look at a book

This week's book is chosen by Hook class - It's a very funny book and Claude's friends all have very silly names that make us laugh. We love how Claude's plans always end up into a disaster for him and he has to think of a plan to fix it!



PE Kit

A reminder that on days children come in PE kit they should have a white collarless t-shirt, black/navy shorts, grey/black/navy jogger and wear their school jumper or cardigans. We are seeing more hoodies creeping in and various other colours and would appreciate if families stayed with the given PE kit list. Thank you for your support in this matter.

News from FrOGS

FrOGS Pancake Flip Off a Huge Success!

FrOGS are delighted to announce an incredible **£2,502.35p** was raised from the sponsored pancake flip (Greenfylde) and Fun Runs (Pre-schools) the week of the 1 March! We were absolutely blown away by everyone's support for this event from all the teaching staff, families and the children who all took part so enthusiastically! Thank you all so much!

Eye's Down! FrOGS Family Chocolate Bingo returns to the school hall – Friday 25 March

Come along to our first face-to-face event in over two years with the return of the popular family Chocolate Bingo! Guaranteed chocolate overload and family friendly fun with our bingo caller Steve Dawe, Chair of Harlequin Carnival Club.

Join us at **6:00pm for a 6:15pm start on Friday 26 March** in the Greenfylde school hall. Cakes and refreshments will be available to purchase. Lots of chocolatey prizes will be up for grabs as well as Lucky Envelopes! Each book costs just £1.00 and includes 8 games so gather your family and make the most of this chance to meet and have some fun with other families from the Greenfylde and pre-school communities! Let us know you're coming via the FrOGS Facebook page (so we have enough cake!) or join us on the night!

Please let us know if you or your child can't have chocolate but doesn't want to miss out on the fun so we can ensure something suitable is available for them.

Chocolate donations request

To increase the sheer quantity of chocolate prizes available please could each family bring in a chocolate egg or other chocolate donation of your choosing to the school office by **Wednesday 23 March** – thank you!

Swimming Pool Volunteers urgently needed!

FrOGS are hoping to open up the school swimming pool for public hire from Friday 9 April but in order to do so we urgently need more volunteers. Without more volunteers we will not be able to open the pool. We're looking for pool volunteers to join a rota of opening and closing the pool and taking pool bookings via a shared mobile phone.

We currently do not have enough volunteers on the books to open up the pool for public hire so if you feel able to help in any way please do get in touch. In return for a bit of your time we will give you 3 free swims (membership must still be paid for in order to be covered by insurance). All volunteers will need to attend a one hour training session with Mr Swift to be able to check chlorine levels in the pool (date TBC) To register your interest or find out more please contact Mr Swift via the school office as soon as possible!

Swimming pool memberships

Swimming pool memberships for the 2022 season will be available to purchase as soon as we have enough pool volunteers signed up. A link to the new membership application form will be circulated with BACS payment details. Membership costs just £10 a year and then a one hour session costs just £15 for up to 10 people. If you've never seen the Greenfylde swimming pool we will be opening it up for you to look at one evening soon (Date TBC!) And remember Pool Volunteers get 3 free sessions!

Covid

Whilst Covid legislation has changed, we are still asking families to support the school by following the Government's recommended guidance below. This will remain in place until tests are no longer available free, which we anticipate will be 1st April.

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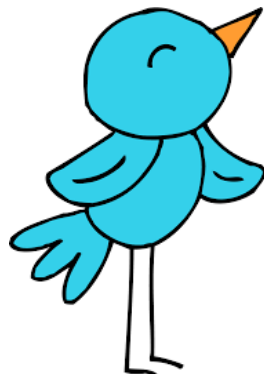
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If **negative**, the child can end self-isolation and return to school once well;
If **positive**, the child should isolate until at least 10 days after their symptoms appeared. They may be able to leave isolation and return to school on day 6 if day 5 and day 6 lateral flow tests, tested at least 24 hours apart, are both negative.

If the child has a positive test result, but does not have [symptoms](#), they should stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days from the date the positive test was taken. Isolation can end early as above. Anyone with symptoms will be eligible for a PCR test (the normally available test type) and this can be arranged via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119.

A reminder that any information e.g if your child is waiting for a test or when they have received a result **must** be sent by email to the school office at greenfylde@educ.somerset.gov.uk, please don't send via School Comms as the office email is checked out of hours unlike the School Comms app. **We also request that you don't send this via Class Dojo or Tapestry.** Your child must not come in or be brought to school if they have any Covid symptoms.

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 'ill/unwell/under the weather' then the office will need to follow this up with you in a telephone call.** Please can we ask families to be respectful to any calls from the office re potential Covid illness as they are only following the Government guidance.



Star of the Week

Congratulations to this week's stars of the week

Dove	Emmie-Ann P & Eric-James D
Pippin	Dylan C & Caspian G
Sandew	Charlie W & Claudia S
Golden	Esme B & Oliver I
Puffin	Ivy D & Alex H
Camelot	Reggie D & Gus K
Hook	Georgie R-E & Eliza G
Dunkerton	Hermione C & Matilda W
Morgan	Samuel H & Jack T
Ashton	Kyla H & Lee M
Coker	Leo W & Jack W
Coopers	Max C & Matilda G
Gatcombe	Isla H & Vinnie C

Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 24th March at 9.30am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Thursday 24th March at 3.00pm for Years 3 and 4. **(note change of day and time)**

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 pupils. 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.**



Online safety update

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it's needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for PRIVACY iPhone

The privacy settings on your child's Apple device give you control over the information stored on it. This allows you to select which apps can access features and information on your child's device: for example, you might wish to block a social networking app from connecting to the camera reel, or specify which apps can use the device's location data.

How to make changes to privacy settings

You can block certain apps from obtaining information from your child's device. You can also prevent your child (or anyone other than you) from altering these settings.

1 Open 'Settings'

2 Tap 'Screen Time'

3 Tap 'Content & Privacy Restrictions'

4 Scroll to 'Privacy'

5 Choose the settings you wish to restrict

6 After you've made any changes, select 'Use Screen Time Passcode' to lock your changes with a PIN

How to prevent changes to other settings/features

You can also stop changes being made to the iPhone's other settings or features by anyone but you. For example, you can prevent your child from altering their passcode, accounts or mobile data settings.

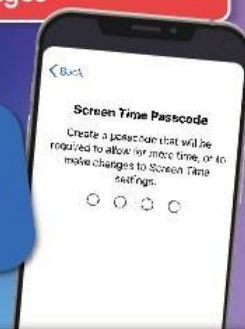
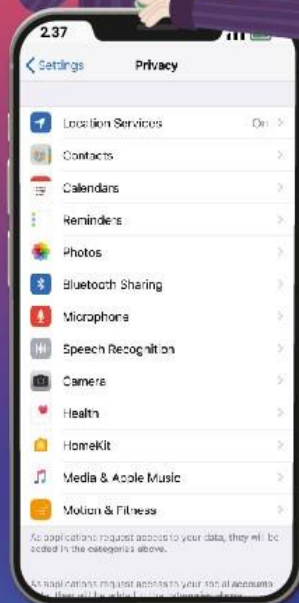
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4 Scroll to 'Allow Changes'

5 Select 'Allow' or 'Don't Allow' on the settings for which you wish to enable or disable changes



<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201304#set-restrictions>

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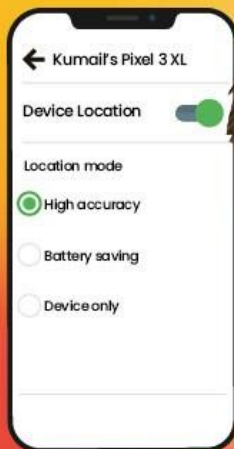
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How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for PRIVACY Android Phone



The settings on an Android device allow you to set certain rules to help safeguard your child's privacy when they are using it. For example, you can turn off location services to keep their whereabouts private; prevent third-party apps and sites from viewing their information; and stop apps from accessing other functions of the phone (like the camera or microphone, for example). We've produced step-by-step guides on how to tighten up an Android phone's privacy settings.



How to manage location services

- 1 Open the Google Family Link app
- 2 Select your child's account
- 3 On the 'Settings' card, tap 'Manage'
- 4 Tap 'Location'
- 5 On the card with the correct device's name, tap 'Settings'
- 6 Tap 'Location Settings'
- 7 Turn 'Device location' to off
- 8 To reactivate location services in future, repeat these steps and turn 'Device location' back on

How to control access for third-party apps and sites

- 1 Sign in to your Google Families account
- 2 Under 'Members', select your child's name
- 3 Select 'Account info' and then 'More'
- 4 Select 'Third-party apps with account access'
- 5 Turn 'Allow third-party apps to access XX account' to off by toggling the switch

How to manage app permissions

- 1 Open the Google Family Link app
 - 2 Select your child's account
 - 3 On the 'Device' card, tap 'Settings'
 - 4 Tap 'App permissions' then choose a permission
 - 5 Below your child's device, switch the permission off
- Alternatively, you can manage permissions for individual apps. Repeat steps 1 and 2, then ...
- 3 On the 'Apps installed' card, tap 'More'
 - 4 On the 'Allowed' list, tap the app you want to change the permissions for
 - 5 Tap 'App permissions'
 - 6 Switch the permission off



Source: <https://families.google.com/familylink/>



Sunny-Ile Pre-School Cygnet Pre-School



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This is the same advice we are giving to our staff to try and support our school community. Guidance will change again on the 1st April and we will update this when that happens. We will keep contingencies in place if required and as per local Public Health guidance, these will come into use if the following occur: A higher than previously experienced and/or rapidly increasing number of staff or student absences due to COVID-19 infection Evidence of severe disease due to COVID-19, for example if a pupil, student, child or staff member is admitted to hospital due to COVID-19 A cluster of cases where there are concerns about the health needs of vulnerable staff or students within the affected group.

Absenteeism

If you have children in the school as well as Sunny Ile or Cygnets, please do not contact Greenfyld School about your child at Preschool if they are absent. Please contact Sunnyile@educ.somerset.gov.uk for Sunny Ile children or cygnetspreschool@educ.somerset.gov.uk for Cygnets children.

Could we also please ask that should your child have any illness you inform us, so that if necessary we can let other parents/carers know to keep a careful watch on their children.

Nut Allergies

Please can we remind you not to send in food products that contain Nuts in the children's lunch boxes. Some children have severe allergies to nuts and nut products. Many thanks

Key Person

Please feel free to speak to your Key Person to check on your child's development, or any concerns you may have, we are always available. This can be done either in person, telephone call, or via tapestry,

The Greenfylde Great Pancake Flip Off

Thank you once again for all the sponsorship money. A massive £2 502.35 was raised.

Red Nose Day

It has been lovely to see all the children's outfits that make them happy today. Thank you for all the donations that will be going to 'Red Nose Day' appeal.

Dates for your diary

Friday 8th April – Friday 22nd April – Easter Holidays

Sunny Ile Preschool

The start of the week brought some glorious sunshine, where the children enjoyed playing outside especially in the sand pit and mud Kitchen.

We then had to focus our activities later in the week indoors when the weather changed. We played lots of games, 'funky fingers' and lots of painting and sticking.

Mud Kitchen

Thank you to Cheryl for updating our 'Mud Kitchen' we now have a sink area, and also an oven area in our kitchen.

Cygnets Pre-School

This week at Cygnets we've had such fun with a range of messy play, pasta, flour, rice and water. The children love to use their imaginations to extend their play with farm animals, sea creatures and maths resources. We've also been getting creative for a special day that's approaching.

Toys

Please can we ask that toys from home are not brought into preschool, we seem to be having a lot appearing recently and we don't want them to get lost or accidentally mixed in with pre-school toys.

Communication friendly

We had an audit this week following Sarah's fantastic work with her language and literacy course and we are pleased to say we passed with flying colours so the setting will be awarded a communication friendly status.



TUMBLES GYMNASTICS EASTER HOLIDAYS



MONDAY 11TH APRIL - FRIDAY 22ND APRIL

DAY	SESSION	TIME & COST
 MONDAY 11TH/18TH	 ARTS & CRAFTS AGE 4+	9AM-3PM £26 / £47 2 SIBLINGS
 TUESDAY 12TH / 19TH	GYMNASTICS CAMP AGE 4+	9AM-3PM £26 / £47 2 SIBLINGS
 WEDNESDAY 13TH / 20TH	ARTS & CRAFTS AGE 4+	9AM-3PM £26 / £47 2 SIBLINGS
 THURSDAY 14TH / 21ST	GYMNASTICS CAMP AGE 4+	9AM-3PM £26 / £47 2 SIBLINGS
 FRIDAY 15TH/ 22ND	SPORTS CAMP AGE 4+	9AM-3PM £26 / £47 2 SIBLINGS
SATURDAY 16TH	PRESCHOOL CLASS AGE 18MONTHS - 4 YEARS	10AM-10.45AM £5 PER CHILD
	STAY & PLAY - BOUNCY CASTLE CAFE OPEN - AGE 0-8	11AM-2PM £3 PER CHILD UNDER 4'S £1



11TH / 13TH
EASTER
CRAFTS

CAMP DAYS AT THE CLUB
PLEASE BRING A DRINKS BOTTLE &
PACKED LUNCH OR HAVE LUNCH WITH
US FOR £3.50



18TH / 20TH
NATURE
CRAFTS

BOOK ONLINE

WWW.TUMBLESGYMNASTICS.CO.UK

BEAVERS

Ages 6-8

Ilminster's Beaver Section are looking for members aged 6-8 to join our adventures! Interested?

When: Tuesdays 5.30pm-6.30pm, term time (time varies slightly with covid measures)

Where: Based at the **Ile Youth Club** but we love to get outside when we can! We also have a campsite at Huish Woods.



Parents are encouraged to join in on our Parent Rota. It's a great opportunity to have shared experiences with your children and for you both to gain life skills. #SkillsForLife

Join us...

Make Friends

Games

Campfires & Marshmallows

Wellie Walks

SO much fun!

Crafts

Nature Activities


Badges


Life Skills




Contact: Nala, aka Ericka



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for more information.

 [@IlminsterScoutGroup](https://www.facebook.com/IlminsterScoutGroup)

Interested in Cubs? (8-10yrs)
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