

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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Goodbye from Greenfylde

As I write to say goodbye at the end of another school year, it is very much at the forefront of my mind that we are not only saying goodbye to the year but also to Greenfylde Church of England First School. We often talk to the children about belonging to our school community but that also applies to staff and families as well. I know so many of you have long connections with the school with many families having known multiple generations who have attended Greenfylde.

As a school, you want to know that you have done your best for the children in your community and this is something that I know Greenfylde can hold its head high with. I have been very proud to be the Headteacher here since 2013 and I know I have followed a number of excellent Headteachers all of whom have held the same view about Greenfylde as a part of its community in Ilminster. The care and nurture shown by the staff have supported the children in achieving in so many different ways and we have always held firm to our belief that as a school we help develop the whole child with the social/emotional needs as important as the academic.

This year, many in our school community have been involved in a range of achievements ranging from our Woodland Trust Platinum Award, sporting success in tennis, athletics and Early Years SASP Physical Activity Mark and we are still fingers crossed for our Eco Schools Award and Platinum School Sports Award which are decided soon.

We have celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a fun day including dancing and picnic; showcased our artistic talents to Ilminster and the wider area with our whole school Art exhibition at the Arts Centre; performed with award worthy talent in the Warehouse Theatre and proved our sporting prowess in a Commonwealth Games day with its own special ceremony and choreographed dance.

Covid has still been around, but we have made sure our children have still enjoyed the richness of a broad and balanced curriculum and above all given the fun that our children need learning. All that glitter and sparkle doesn't happen on its own and at this point in the year, there are not enough words to express how much my colleagues are valued and thanked for their continued efforts to support Greenfylde's children.

Above all, everything above comes from having a love for what we all give Greenfylde and one thing I do know is that love, nurture and care will continue into Herne View Church of England Primary School. Having worked across both schools in the town this Summer term, I know our children are very lucky to have an amazing set of staff around them who will ensure all of our best qualities will be brought together in the new school.

I would also like to thank our families, parish and community who give unceasing support. We do need to acknowledge how difficult the last couple of years have been with the Area Review and Covid and having your continued support has meant a lot for the school and we thank you for this. We feel stronger knowing we are moving forward to this next chapter of Ilminster's education story together in support of Ilminster's children.

Finally, thank you to our Governors, all of whom are volunteers for taking on a significantly larger piece of work this year in supporting Greenfylde and the amalgamation to Herne View Church of England Primary School. Very much, our Governors work in the background but their work, which this year has been for very many hours, has been vital to supporting the school move forward. I know they still have much to do in the next academic year and want them to know how much they are valued in the school community.

So as I sign off this last Greenfylde newsletter, I hope you, like me are taking with you many happy memories of Greenfylde and I wish all our families a restful and happy Summer and we can't wait to welcome you all back to Herne View Church of England Primary School in September.

Governor Appointments

Thank you to everyone who voted in the recent Parent Governor Election. The ballot confirmed Mr John Burke and Mr Niall Whitehouse as the candidates with the highest number of votes followed by Mrs Sarah Tricker and Miss Katie Pitman.

Further to discussion with Board members and in view of their experience gained as Parent Governors, the decision was taken to appoint John and Niall as Co-opted Governors. This provided the opportunity to welcome Sarah and Katie as newly elected Parent Governors on the Herne View Church of England Primary School Governing Body. We want to thank everyone who put themselves forward as this is a valuable voluntary role and we appreciate the additional commitment required with the new school.

Thank you and Goodbye

At the end of this academic year we would like to wish Miss Cresswell, Mr Jordan, Miss Green, Mrs House, Miss Bowden and Natalie Quinton all the best as they move on from Greenfylde to new schools and new challenges. Our thanks go to them for all their support of the school.



Jack and Jill and the Beanstalk

Congratulations to our Year 4s and to our singing Year 3s on an excellent play last week at the Warehouse Theatre. The acting, singing, humour and enthusiasm were amazing and every one of the children put in 100% effort. All the audiences agreed there were plenty of smiles and we couldn't be prouder of our young actors and actresses. Thanks go to all the staff who helped produce this, especially Mrs Sainsbury and to the Warehouse Theatre for their help.

Ilminster Rotary

Thank you to Ilminster Rotary for continuing to support the school in so many ways and at this time of year, in their generous gift of dictionaries for all our Year 4s.

Crealy

We have now rebooked Crealy and this year's Year 3 and 4 will be going on their postponed visit due to the heatwave on Thursday 8th September. As far as we can we will ensure the same staff they would have gone with this week will also go. A reminder re the trip will come out at the start of the new term.

Uniform Sales

If you would like to buy/collect new uniform, it will be on sale from the Silver Street office of Herne View on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September 12.00pm to 3.00pm times. For those with the School Gateway App you can now order Uniform which can be collected on the above dates. Those coming into year R and 6 I have attached the form to this newsletter, please drop the form with money/cheque through the main door in a sealed named envelope.



Herne View Church of England Primary

Our new school year will begin on Tuesday 6th September (new Reception children from Thursday 8th September) with children at Silver Street (Years R, 1 and 2) arriving from 8.40am for an 8.50am start and children at Ditton Street (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) arriving from 8.50am for a 9.00am start. Children can be sent in via the front or double gates (Wharf Lane) at Silver Street – please note we are trialling not using the back gate. And at Ditton Street via the front side gate (one leading down to the pre-school) and gate opposite Tesco on Shudrick Lane. All gates will have staff on to welcome the children.

At the end of the day, children at Silver Street will be collected at 3.20pm with families coming into school to collect from outside the classrooms. At Ditton Street, families can come onto the playgrounds by either the front side or Shudrick Lane gates again and Years 3 and 4 will be brought by their teachers to the lower playground by the field and Years 5 and 6 to the top playground by the pre-school. If any of Year 5 and 6 wish to walk themselves to and from school please can families email the new school office email to let us know they will be doing this and on which days in the new academic year – office@herneviewschool.co.uk

Your school Games have launched a new initiative. Summer is here and what better way to step into the sunshine than celebrating the fantastic sports events happening in July and August. From UEFA's Women's EURO 2022 to the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, it promises to be a summer full of excitement!

This year has seen a welcome return to the physical activity in schools, PE lessons, break time games, school sport and after school clubs. We want to build on that and encourage primary aged children to step into their own Active Summer Challenge. The summer holidays present the perfect opportunity for time together, enjoying the weather and taking a rest from the usual routine.

The Active Summer Challenge will help children be active every day by setting their own pledge and taking part in the six weekly challenges.

How do you set the activity pledge?

- The aim should be to reach the Chief Medical Officer's guidelines for physical activity. This is 60 minutes a day of moderate to vigorous activity or a minimum of 20 minutes a day for children with a disability. You can build up to 60 or 20 minutes across the day – it doesn't need to be in one burst.
- Choose an activity – or different activities – that are enjoyable. Having fun is a key motivator for children, so supporting them to plan a fun activity, perhaps linking up with friends and family, or something you could do alongside them, would help keep them engaged.

For ideas for activities see ideas from the NHS

here <https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/activities/10-minute-shake-up/>

Encourage your child to keep a diary of their activities this could be written or drawn or using photographs.

Further information is available here <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/active-summer-challenge/>



Online Safety

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 is needed. This guide focuses on one of many apps which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about



WHATSAPP

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and any recipients; not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted – it only related to WhatsApp's business features, not to personal messages.



WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SCAMS

Fraudsters occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to win. Other common scams involve warning someone that their WhatsApp subscription has run out (aiming to dupe them into disclosing payment details) or impersonating a friend or relative and asking for money to be transferred to help with an emergency.

DISAPPEARING MESSAGES

Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days by default. Photos and videos can also be instructed to disappear after the recipient has viewed them. These files can't be saved or forwarded – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove any wrongdoing. However, the receiver can take a screenshot and save that as evidence.

ENABLING FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp has unfortunately been linked to accelerating the spread of dangerous rumours. In India in 2019, some outbreaks of mob violence appear to have been sparked by false allegations being shared on the app. WhatsApp itself took steps to prevent its users circulating hazardous theories and speculation in the early weeks of the Covid-19 pandemic.

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PRIZE

POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING

Group chat and video calls are great for connecting with multiple people in WhatsApp, but there is always the potential for someone's feelings to be hurt by an unkind comment or joke. The 'only admins' feature gives the admin(s) of a group control over who can send messages. They can, for example, block people from posting in a chat, which could make a child feel excluded and upset.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a WhatsApp chat, you only need the mobile number of the person you want to message (the other person also needs to have the app). WhatsApp can access the address book on someone's device and recognise which of their contacts also use the app. So if your child has ever given their phone number to someone they don't know, that person could use it to contact them via WhatsApp.

LOCATION SHARING

The 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, allowing friends to see their movements. WhatsApp describes it as a 'simple and secure way to let people know where you are.' It is a useful method for a young person to let loved ones know they're safe – but if they used it in a chat with people they don't know, they would be exposing their location to them, too.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CLICK HERE

CREATE A SAFE PROFILE

Even though someone would need a child's phone number to add them as a contact, it's also worth altering a young person's profile settings to restrict who can see their photo and status. The options are 'everyone', 'my contacts' and 'nobody' – choosing one of the latter two ensures that your child's profile is better protected.

EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING

If your child receives spam or offensive messages, calls or files from a contact, they should block them using 'settings' in the chat. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and stays undelivered. Blocking someone does not remove them from your child's contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.

REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS

Young people shouldn't engage with any message that looks suspicious or too good to be true. When your child receives a message from an unknown number for the first time, they'll be given the option to report it as spam. If the sender claims to be a friend or relative, call that person on their usual number to verify it really is them, or if it's someone trying to trick your child.

LEAVE A GROUP

If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, or has been added to a group that they don't want to be part of, they can use WhatsApp's group settings to leave. If someone exits a group, the admin can add them back in once; if they leave a second time, it is permanent.

THINK ABOUT LOCATION

If your child needs to use the 'live location' function to show you or one of their friends where they are, advise them to share their location only for as long as they need to. WhatsApp gives a range of 'live location' options, and your child should manually stop sharing their position as soon as it is no longer needed.

DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES

If your child posts a message they want to delete, WhatsApp allows the user seven minutes to erase a message. Tap and hold on the message, choose 'delete' and then 'delete for everyone.' However, it's important to remember that recipients may have seen (and taken a screenshot of) a message before it was deleted.

CHECK THE FACTS

You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages that have been forwarded at least five times, by double-tapping the magnifying glass icon to the right of the message. From there, your child can launch a Google search and decide for themselves whether the message was true or not.

Meet Our Expert

Parveen Kaur is a social media expert and digital media consultant who is passionate about improving digital literacy for parents and children. She has extensive experience in the social media arena and is the founder of Kids N Clicks: a web resource that helps parents and children thrive in a digital world.



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**HERNE VIEW CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
UNIFORM ORDER LIST**

Please complete the form with your requirements and post with payment through the school letterbox. These will be processed and available for you to collect from the school office. We will contact you when your order is ready.

Alternatively, uniform can be ordered on the School Gateway app (this option is only available once your child is in school).

			No required	Total
Sweatshirts	£10.00	Age 3-4 (24"/61cm)		
		Age 5-6 (26"/66cm)		
		Age 7-8 (28"/71cm)		
		Age 8-9 (30-32"/76-81 cm)		
		Age 9-10 (34"/86 cm)		
		Small Adult (34"-36"/86-91cm)		
Cardigans	£11.00	Age 3-4 (24"/61 cm)		
		Age 5-6 (26"/66cm)		
		Age 7-8 (28"/71cm)		
		Age 8-9 (30-32"/76-81 cm)		
		Age 9-10 (34"/86 cm)		
		Small Adult (34"-36"/86-91cm)		
School book bag	£6.50			
TOTAL				£

Name.....Phone No.....

Pupil Name..... Class

I enclose a cheque/cash (delete as appropriate)

Please make cheques payable to Greenfylde First School

Please note, our supplier like all others has seen an increase in costs leading to a rise in the cost of these items, as a school we continue to sell as close to cost price as possible.



Sunny-Ile Pre-School Cygnet Pre-School



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A big thank you from all the staff to all our families, for their continued support and wish you all a very happy summer Holidays, making lots of memories. We can't wait to see our returning children and children who will be joining us in September when we open our doors again as 'Apple Orchard Pre-School'.

We also wish all our school leavers every success starting their next adventure with Herne View Church of England Primary School'

Welcome Back September 2022 – Apple Orchard Pre-School

We start back to pre-school on Tuesday 6 September 2022. Please remember the new times of both pre-schools.

Apple Orchard Pre-School – Silver Street Campus

Morning Session 8.50am – 11.35am
Lunch Session 11.35am – 12.35am
Afternoon Session 12.35am – 15.20pm

Apple Orchard Pre-School – Ditton Street Campus

Morning Session 9.00am – 11.45am
Lunch Session 11.45am – 12.45pm
Afternoon Session 12.45pm – 15.30pm

The Sunny Ile and Cygnet Email will be closing on 25 July. Our new email for both the pre-schools will be:

Preschool@herneviewschool.co.uk

If you need to contact Helen our Administrator her email will be:

Helen.Lancaster@herneviewschool.co.uk

Pre School Uniform

Our new pre-school jumpers with the Apple Orchard Pre School logo on will be available to purchase from September. The cost of these will be £10 each.

Speak to a member of staff if you would like one.

Sunny Ile Pre-School

We have had a very hot week at preschool. We have been playing lots with the water and slime outside under the shade in the mornings and then being inside in the

afternoons doing lots of pictures, reading stories and watching frozen to keep cool.
We also had ice poles as well to cool us down.

Cygnets Pre-School

This week at Cygnets we have had an emotional week, celebrating the time we have spent with our 'leavers' who will be heading off to their adventures for school in September. We would like to wish our leavers every success in their school journeys, and we know they will absolutely smash school life!

Teddy Bears Picnic

Thank you to all those that came to our 'Teddy Bears Picnic' either with Sunny Ile or Cygnets. We hope that you enjoyed it as much as we did. Thank you to Helena at Tesco for kindly donating all the cakes for our picnic. Also to the Bubble Faerie Bubbles for entertaining the children.

Have a great Holiday and we will see you in September





Summer Reading Challenge 2022

GADGETEERS



Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

The Summer Reading Challenge launched this year on **July 9th** across all Somerset Libraries.

The Summer Reading Challenge, presented by The Reading Agency, is delivered in partnership with public libraries and funded by Arts Council England. The Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays, providing lots of fun as well as helping to prevent the summer reading 'dip'.

Sign up for free from the 9th July at Ilminster Library.

You will get a bookmark for registering from the library when you pick your first books.

Every book a child reads (up to six) gets a sticker to stick onto their special Gadgeteers poster. When they've read six books they'll get a certificate and medal for taking part.

Please note that every child taking part needs their own library card, why not pop into the library to check your cards are still valid

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Ilminster Library Opening Hours

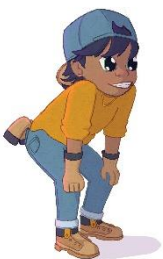
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Tuesdays 9.30-4.30

Wednesdays 9.30-12

Fridays 9.30-4.30

Saturdays 9.30-12



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