

GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL

Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools

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Covid update

A huge thank you for supporting making drop off and pick-up as safe as possible through different ways including social distancing by 2m from others, moving quickly away from the area once you have dropped off/picked up and wearing masks if possible to protect others. Whilst the infection rate is growing we want to do everything that we can to help keep our school community safe.

We do want to remind our families that if anyone in the household is having a test or displaying Covid symptoms (temperature, new cough, loss of taste/smell) then everyone in that household must isolate and children not go to school until a negative test result is received or 14 days isolation is completed.

Ilminster Carnival Umbrella Design Competition

Congratulations to the following children whose designs were selected by the Ilminster Carnival Committee for their umbrella designs. They will receive their certificates and prizes for 1st place when we can schedule our Star of the Week assemblies again and families will be informed. Our thanks go to Ilminster Carnival Committee for judging and sponsoring this event.

KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

1 st place	Lucy P
2 nd place	Ava D
3 rd place	Oscar B

KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

1 st place	Lexi C
2 nd place	Megan W
3 rd place	Lucian-Rae

Reception

1 st place	Dorothy W
2 nd place	Teddy B
3 rd place	Arthur P

Pre-Schools

1 st place	Bella
2 nd place	Joziah
3 rd place	Toby

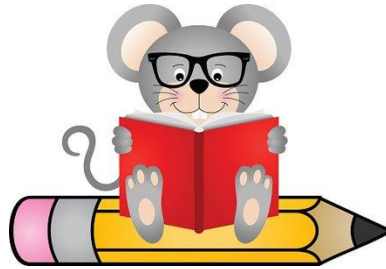


Iminster and Crewkerne Strategic Review of Schooling

Please look back at emails from the school this week for the letter with the family question sessions regarding the Review that are being run by the Local Authority. This is a major change for education in Iminster and we want you to be informed as families and be encouraged to take part in sharing your views for the consultation.

Children in Need

Don't forget Friday 14th November is a non-uniform day for Children in Need where we are encouraging everyone to wear something bright and cheerful for a suggested donation of 50p per family.



Ordering uniform

Sweatshirts, cardigans and book bags can still be bought from the office – please drop the order and the money (cash or cheque) through the front door letterbox and these will be delivered to your child in class. The order form is attached again to this newsletter.

Nativities

We are still going to get our amazing little actors and actresses to take part in Nativities this year but to make these Covid safe, they will be filmed and then shared with families online.

Virtual tour for prospective families

Miss Cresswell has made a brilliant short film to share life at Greenfylde for prospective families and we aim to post this on our website soon. Please let anyone know who is looking to start school next year.

In the meantime, we also have a child's tour through our Greenfylde Dog character books (Reception met him for their induction this year) and his stories, including a new one for our virtual tour are available on the school website.

Internet

A reminder that the school does not have any internet access currently and we can only answer office emails from home in an evening. Any urgent messages e.g. change of who is collecting a child etc should be made by telephoning the school office please.

Shoebox collection

We have contacted Blytheswood Care and their Shoebox scheme will still go ahead this year however we are asking for shoeboxes to be delivered direct to The Minster on the 12th, 13th or 14th of November. When dropping this off in the entrance area to the Church please be aware of others who may be there and socially distance/wear a mask if possible.

Future Events

Even with Covid restrictions we are trying to keep as many events as possible in the school calendar and we thought you would appreciate advance notice of the following:

Friday 13th November – Children in Need – wear something cheerful from your wardrobe on an own clothes day – voluntary donation of 50p per family.

Friday 20th November – we're still going to dress up in Victorian Clothes to have a fun History Day in school and we'll also be having a lantern display in the Ilminster Emporium.

Thursday 10th and Friday 11th December – Save the Children Christmas jumper days – wear your favourite Christmas/Winter jumper or just a jumper of your choice for a voluntary donation of 50p per family

Star of the Week

Congratulations to our Stars for this week

Dove	Aden W & Willow F
Pippin	Bramah B & Maddison-Beau S
Golden	Freddie K & Ivy-Rose J
Puffin	Finley E-B & Dexter K
Camelot	Amelia B & James L
Hook	Kloe F & Poppy O
Dunkerton	Noah T & Kyra C
Morgan	Abigail K & Hannah K
Ashton	Joseph G & Reuben M
Coker	Daisy H & Lucy P
Coopers	Charlie D & Florence L
Gatcombe	Annabelle W & Sebastian H

With no Internet access we will have to let families know when these presentations can take place.

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 Star of the Week recipients. 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.

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UNIFORM ORDER LIST

			No required	Total
Sweatshirts	£9.00	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	£10.50	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	£5.00			
TOTAL				£

Name.....

Phone No.....

Pupil Name.....

Class.....

I enclose a cheque/cash (delete as appropriate)

Please make cheques payable to Greenfylde First School