

# **GREENFYLDE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FIRST SCHOOL**

**Incorporating Cygnets and Sunny Ile Pre Schools**

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## **School Community**

We've enjoyed welcoming back Helen, Harold the Giraffe and Life Education this week and all the children have had a chance to participate and will follow this learning though in their weekly personal, social and health education and relationship education lessons.

In this newsletter please look out for information about FrOGS and it would be wonderful if some more parents/families could join us so we can offer even more to our school community.

For those looking for Academic Year 2022/23 dates, we hope to publish these next week on the newsletter. We are just sorting a final confirmation out with the Local Authority as these dates will need to work with the amalgamation of the two Ilminster schools.

## **FrOGS – Friends of Greenfylde School**

### **FrOGS meeting and social drop in – Thursday 20 January 6:00 – 7:00pm**

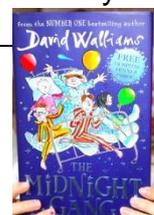
The next FrOGS meeting will take place on zoom on Thursday 20 January from 6:00 – 7:00. The meeting is open for anyone to attend whether you have ideas to share or just want to listen in and find out a bit more. We are very informal and friendly! How much we are able to organise and deliver this year is dependent on how many extra hands we can secure to help us out. Joining us as a volunteer doesn't mean you have to give us huge amounts of your time – every little bit of time people can give will help. The committee will then be at The Dolphin on Silver Street Ilminster from 7:30 for anyone who wants to come along and meet us more informally. A zoom link for the meeting will be sent out by the school.

### **Quiz night in aid of FrOGS – Saturday 29 January 7:30pm**

We're kicking off the 2022 calendar with a fantastic quiz hosted by the local legend that is DJ Ginge at 7:30 pm on Saturday 29 January ! DJ Ginge's speed quizzes have kept many people going through the pandemic so we're delighted he'll be keeping us all entertained once more whilst helping us raise money. To allow as many from the school community to attend as possible DJ Ginge will be hosting the quiz online. More details to follow but put the date in your calendars!

## **Have a look at a book!**

This week's book is nominated by Morgan class, 'The Midnight Gang' by David Walliams. Morgan class explained, 'We are starting a book club in Morgan class for this book because we love it so much. It is interesting and exciting. The children in the book go on a really exciting adventure, which we loved reading about.'





## Covid

### What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19

Symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known **and they are fever free (without medication) for at least 24 hours.**

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 8 if day 6 and day 7 lateral flow tests, tested at least 24 hours apart are both negative. From next Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January, the rules change again and isolation may be ended sooner if negative LFTs are recorded on day 5 and then day 6.

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. This isolation period will be extended if they go on to develop symptoms by counting 10 full days from the day following their symptom onset. 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.

From the 11<sup>th</sup> January, children who test positive on LFT without symptoms, do not need to get a PCR test and instead start their isolation of 10 full days post the day of the test. As above this can end earlier if the additional tests are met.

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](mailto: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.

If your child is identified as a close contact and are 5 and over, they should lateral flow test for 7 days and only go for a PCR test if they develop symptoms. Children should not attend school if they get a positive LFT result – see guidance above re what to do if children receive a positive LFT.

**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/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 Star of the Week nominations.

Dove	Louie K & Leo B
Pippin	Rudy W & Alexis O
Sandew	Robyn S & George P
Golden	Eli H-B & Oscar H
Puffin	Dorothy W & Teddy B
Camelot	Korey M & Lydia G
Hook	Oliver P & Annabella M
Dunkerton	Archie D & Isla S
Morgan	Megan W & Noah T
Ashton	James L & Kyra C
Coker	Jake D & Clara H
Coopers	Abigail K & Finley W
Gatcombe	Dylan M & Asher H

Stars and certificates will be presented on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January 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 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.**





# Sunny-Ile Pre-School Cygnet Pre-School



Newsletter - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

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Your child must not come in or be brought to school if they have any Covid symptoms.

### Medication

If your child needs medication, please ensure the settings are aware of this. We are only able to administer prescription medication. Please do not leave any creams in your child's bags.

### Clothing

When your child attends the setting please send them in with some spare clothes. The children love to play outside and although we do not have the water play out currently, they always manage to find a puddle



### **School Admissions Primary School**

Please don't forget closing date for Primary School admissions is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Tomorrow!!

Please go on-line and fill in your application form if your child is due to start school in September 2022.

[www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/apply-to-start-school/](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/education-and-families/apply-to-start-school/)

If you need any further assistance, please contact us.

Please be aware that when you are registering your child for 'Greenfylde Church of England first School' with the current changes to the school Greenfylde now appears as 'Ilminster Community Primary School'

### **Sunny Ile Pre School**

This week the children have been playing with the farm animals, we have learnt about what foods they like to eat how they like to sleep on the hay on the farms. We have learnt about chickens and how they produce eggs that we can eat, we looked at some size eggs and different coloured eggs.



We have also done lots of painting and sticking pictures, and enjoyed playing the 'Bean Game'

## Cygnets Pre School

This week at Cygnets, we have been developing our physical skills on the balance beams and jumping on the trampoline. We've also been building castles with the blocks and exploring messy play.

### Spare Clothes:

Can all children please have a spare set of clothes in their bags at preschool as we regularly have messy play and water activities accessible so changes of clothes may be needed.

### Wet wipes:

Please can you ensure sufficient wet wipes are provided in bags for your child (if needed) for their sessions.

### Coats:

Please can children have warm coats, hats, and gloves as we do like to spend a lot of time outside.

### Letter of the week:

Next week our letter / sound of the week will be N.