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Date: 6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year Two - Spelling

Each week in spelling lessons the children become the teacher. They take it in turns to choose a word from our weekly list then the rest of the class ask relevant questions to find the chosen word.

Questions might include number of syllables, first and last phoneme, split digraph and so on. They have a lot of fun and really enjoy being spelling detectives.



Update on our new roof and classroom refurbishments

We are delighted that the classrooms in the lower area of the school have been completed after the damage caused by leaks in the roof. It has taken eighteen months to complete the roofing works and we can't wait to use this area of the school again.

Giraffes Classroom Change

Giraffes will be the first class to move on Monday. Located next door to Zebras class, you may access the classroom from the following entrances:

Horne Park Road Entrance

If you are coming from Horne Park Road, take an immediate right and follow the slope until you reach the bottom entrance of the school where you will see Mrs Meredith and Mrs Bannister waiting to greet you and your child.

Marlborough Road Entrance

If you are coming from the Marlborough Road entrance to the school, walk across the top playground until you reach the slope at the far end, follow the slope down to the bottom entrance of the school where you will see Mrs Meredith and Mrs Bannister waiting to greet you and your child.

Staff Car Park Entrance

If you enter the school via the staff car park entrance to the bottom playground, walk across the playground until you reach the slope, follow the slope down to the bottom entrance of the school where you will see Mrs Meredith and Mrs Bannister waiting to greet you and your child.

Tuesday 10th February, Mental Health Support Team Coffee Afternoon

We would like to invite you to attend a coffee afternoon on Tuesday 10th February. Arrive any time between 2.30 and 3.30 to meet Laura and Sam from the Mental Health Support team,

Please see the flyer attached for details the details of the 'Helping your child with Fears and Worries' workshop. If you wish to take part please express your interest to Mrs Bannister via the school office.

Volunteers

We are very grateful to all of the volunteers that help within the school. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office for an application form.

Kind regards,



Claire Grant
Executive Headteacher

Diary Dates

Friday 13 th February	Chinese New Year - Whole School
Monday 16 th February - Friday 20 th February	Half Term
Monday 23 rd February	Return to School

Cleaner Vacancy

We are looking for a dedicated cleaner to join our team on a temporary basis to cover maternity leave. The successful candidate will be able to work independently and as part of a team. Working 10 hours per week, 2 hours per day, from 4pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday, during the school term and thirty additional hours during the school holidays. The hourly rate of pay is £12.65 per hour.

Closing date: 9th February 2026. Interested? Please contact us for an application form on 01271 863 462 or send an email to adminilfracombe@goodilf.org.uk

In return for the vital contribution that you make, we offer:

- 25 days annual leave per year (rising with length of service) plus Bank Holidays pro rata
- Membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme - more information can be found on the Peninsula Pensions website <https://www.peninsulapensions.org.uk/>
- Uniform (Catering Assistant)
- Caring and Childcare Benefits
- Access to our confidential Employee Assistance Programme - available 24/7 to support you with personal and work life

The Goodleigh C of E Primary School and Ilfracombe Infant & Nursery School Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced Disclosure is required for this post. Please note it is our process to apply for references for shortlisted applicants and conduct online searches. Candidates are encouraged to read our Safeguarding policy before applying please visit our website www.ilfracombe-inf.devon.sch.uk.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM COFFEE AFTERNOON

Hello, we are Sam and Laura, we are Education Mental Health Practitioners. We work with children, parents and school staff supporting with anxiety, low mood and other Mental Health concerns in children.

Next Tuesday at 2:30pm we will be holding a coffee afternoon at school where we will be giving out more information on the work that we do.

If you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing or mental health, please pop in and have a coffee with us, it will be a very informal space where you can chat to other parents, ourselves, or just enjoy a coffee and a biscuit 😊



HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH FEARS & WORRIES

6 WEEK ONLINE PROGRAMME

Parents and carers play the most important part in helping children to overcome difficulties. We are delivering an online Parent-Led CBT (PLCBT) group to provide you with the tools to support your child or young person aged between 5-12.

EXPRESS INTEREST BY
SPEAKING TO A MEMBER OF
YOUR SCHOOLS PASTORAL
TEAM/SENDCO.

During the sessions you will have the opportunity to rehearse key skills. The sessions are based on the Cathy Cresswell book 'Helping Your Child with Worries and Fears'

FAQ

What is Parent Led Li-CBT?

Parent Led Low Intensity Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (Parent Led Li-CBT) is a short term 6 session intervention supporting parents and carers. Parents learn simple tools to help their child with anxiety or worries at home. CBT stands for Cognitive Behaviour Therapy. CBT is based on the idea that our thoughts, feelings, behaviours are all linked.

Is it all online?

All sessions are online via Microsoft Teams. Once you are signed up you will be emailed a link. Cameras will be off for group participants.

Can my child come with me?

We do ask that it is only parents and carers who attend these sessions. This provides a safe space for you to discuss your own worries and anxieties and allows the practitioners to focus on supporting you to gain the skills to support your child.



SESSION DATES

28th of April 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm

5th of May 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm

12th of May 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm

19th of May 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm

2nd of June 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm

9th of June 2026
(Tuesday)
7pm-8pm



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