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## Federation Newsletter

Half Term is here, we wish you all a lovely half term holiday and can't wait to hear all the stories from the children of how they spent their half term. Don't forget, we are back on **Tuesday 21st February** as **Monday 20th February** is an inset day.

### Acorns trip to Nunney Castle

This week Acorns went on a school trip to Nunney Castle. We put our historical knowledge into practice by drawing the castle and identifying its main features. To the children's surprise, the Greedy Dragon had hidden eggs all around the ruins and they had to work as a team to hunt them down. Once all of the eggs were found each child received a sparkling pot of mini jewels. The children also had lots of fun playing in and around the castle. In the afternoon, we made cardboard forts to defend the monarchs. Each group helped design, build and defend their castles against each other's catapults. What a great way to end our Castles and Dragons theme.



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Thank you to all the parents who attended, Our Maths Showcase afternoon. The children at both schools loved showing their parents what they have been learning in Math, their problem solving skills and the variety of calculation methods that they can use.

To view our Calculation Policies for both schools please look on our website under "Our Curriculum Subjects" [School Curriculum | Stoke St. Michael School \(croscombestokefederation.co.uk\)](http://www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk)



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## Shepton Snowdrops - Poetry Winners

Congratulations to the four children in Croscombe C of E Primary School that have been shortlisted to read their poems at the Baptist Church in Shepton Mallet on **Saturday 18th February**. Clayton, Lea, Kira and Caroline should be really proud as entries were received from all around the globe



## Junior Cross Country



We would encourage pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 to take part in the exciting cross country races that are organised by Mendip Junior Athletics. They are for all local primary schools and are very well attended. It would be wonderful for our pupils to participate and represent Croscome and Stoke St Michael.

There are 4 races: years 3/4 girls; years 3/4 boys; years 5/6 girls; years 5/6 boys.

There are 2 or 3 more races left in the season. The next one is at **Downside school on 28th February**. The school will cover the fees for a federation team so there is no cost to enter. Please contact the school office via emails headed **Junior Cross country** with the name of your child and we will inform Mendip Junior Athletics. <http://mendipjuniorathletics.org.uk>

## Shrove Tuesday

Both Schools will be selling Pancakes after school on Tuesday 21st February for £1.00 each, please come along and support both schools by purchasing a Pancake, they will have a selection of different toppings so hopefully something to suit everyone. Please make adults aware of any food allergies. Children will be collected as usual from front gates and then Parents/Cares will need to accompany their children into the hall to purchase their pancake. If your child is attending afterschool care and would like to purchase a pancake then the supervisor in both schools will accompany your child.



## And Finally

Sometimes events can seem completely overwhelming in their size and sadness. Please keep the people effected by the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria in your thoughts and prayers.

*Dear God,*

*Inspire us to unite in solidarity,  
acting swiftly and generously,  
so that help may reach all who need it.  
Bring comfort, strength and renewed hope.  
Amen*



<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/dec-turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>

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<b>Stoke St Michael</b>		<b>Croscombe</b>	
<b>February</b>		<b>February</b>	
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	Sunday Stokers	<b>Monday 20th</b>	Inset Day
<b>Monday 20th</b>	Inset Day	<b>Tuesday 21st</b>	First Day of School - Term 4
<b>Tuesday 21st</b>	First Day of School - Term 4	<b>Tuesday 21st</b>	Pancake Day - Pancakes for sale after school
<b>Tuesday 21st</b>	Pancake Day - Pancakes for sale after school	<b>March</b>	
<b>Thursday 23rd</b>	Schools Against Waste Workshop	<b>Wednesday 1st</b>	Make the Sunshine - Dance Event at Stoke St. Michael School
<b>March</b>		<b>Thursday 2nd</b>	World Book Day
<b>Wednesday 1st</b>	Make the Sunshine - Dance Event	<b>Wednesday 8th</b>	Wessex Water Education Visit
<b>Thursday 2nd</b>	World Book Day	<b>Friday 17th</b>	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
<b>Tuesday 7th</b>	Wessex Water Education Visit	<b>Wednesday 22nd</b>	Conkers Choral Experience Day at Downside School
<b>Friday 17th</b>	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day	<b>Wednesday 29th</b>	Bags 2 School Collection
<b>Wednesday 22nd</b>	Owls Choral Experience Day at Downside School	<b>Friday 31st</b>	Non-Uniform Day - Easter Theme £1.00 donation
<b>Monday 27th</b>	Owls Citizens Advice PSRHE Money Management Session	<b>April</b>	
<b>Wednesday 29th</b>	National Child Measuring - Bluebells & Year 6	<b>Thursday 20th</b>	National Child Measuring - Bluebells & Year 6
<b>Wednesday 29th</b>	Vision Screening Test - Bluebells		
<b>Wednesday 29th</b>	Bags 2 School Collection		
<b>Friday 31st</b>	Non-Uniform Day - Easter Theme £1.00 donation		
<b>Friday 31st</b>	Easter Binger - See Poster for details		
<b>April</b>			
<b>Friday 28th</b>	Coronation Curry Night - See poster for details		

\* RED TEXT = New dates added this week