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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly we would like to thank you all for your support today at the Ice Lolly and Cake sales at our schools. The money raised will enable us to buy extra resources for our Ukrainian children to help them settle more quickly and adjust to life in sunny Somerset. Thank you also for making the families so welcome. We are so proud of how caring and compassionate the children have been with our new pupils and as new families join our communities over the coming weeks and months we know that you will continue to open your hearts to them all.



We know you know (!), but just in case you haven't heard we regularly post on our Latest News pages on our website, and both schools have Facebook pages which we would love for you to 'Like' and share.
www.facebook.com/crocombefprimary and www.facebook.com/StokeStMichaelPrimary

Parent Consultations

We hope that you have now received confirmation of your parent consultation time slot (in your child's book bag today!). If you haven't don't worry, but please contact the school office and we will make sure you are allocated a time to meet with your child's teacher!



SIAMS Inspection

Next week Crocombe will be having a Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) on Wednesday 18th May. Parents are invited to meet with the diocesan inspector at **2:45pm on Wednesday** in the school hall. This is a great opportunity for you to share how the school's distinctive Christian vision enables both the pupils and adults of our school community to flourish.



Year 5 & 6 Trip to Downside

The year 5 & 6 children from both schools will be attending an **outdoor adventure day** at Downside School on **9th June**. The activities will include archery, team building, bush craft, art, sport and a visit to the magnificent Downside Abbey, one of only 4 Minor Basilica's in the country!



The children will be taken by mini bus after morning registration at school however, **parent/carers will need to collect their children from Downside School at 3pm**. You are also invited to arrive at Downside School slightly earlier for afternoon tea with the children at 2.30pm. Lunch and refreshments will be provided for the children.

Art Bytes Competition

We are excited to let you know the results from the Art Bytes competition that Owl Class entered. **Green Blood by Lily C came first** (see below), with second place going to Jake, Kaden and Roman for *King Kadora*, and third place to Poppy for *Flame Thrower*. All three pictures will feature in the Art Bytes virtual gallery so **congratulations** to all of you for your dramatic and beautiful dragon pictures! We are very proud of you.

The regional and national winners will be decided on the 19th May by the competition judges and those winners will be shown at the Arnolfini Gallery in Bristol at a special celebration event. Good luck guys, we are keeping our fingers crossed for you!

To see all the entries please go to the Art Bytes website: www.artbytes.co.uk



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Acorns Croscombe Noah's Art Trip



Acorns' class at Croscombe are going to Noah's Ark Zoo, Bristol on **Thursday 19th May**. Please ensure that any outstanding payments are made as soon as possible. If you have any questions or concerns please get in touch with the school office.

Stoke PTA Jubilee Bingo

Please see the attached poster regarding Stoke St Michael's Jubilee Bingo event on Friday 20th May. Make sure you dust off your bingo dabbers!



Reuse & Recycle - Cardboard Tubes Needed

Mrs. Amor and Conkers' class are asking for your kitchen roll cardboard tubes (not loo rolls!). They need as many as possible so please for a class project. Thank you.



Infectious Diseases



Please see the attached poster on when to keep your child off school for an infectious disease. The poster has been produced by the NHS as a handy guide for parents/carers and lists the main childhood infectious illnesses and what to do about sending your child to school/nursery.

Class Photo's

On Wednesday you should have received a ParentPay email with a link to your child's class photo. All photos must be purchased online via the Tempest website so if you did not receive the link please contact the school office!



Bambi the Therapy Dog

Bambi the Therapy Dog and Nicki her handler, will be visiting Stoke St Michael on Wednesday 18th May. If there are any reasons why you do not want your child to have contact with Bambi, please let the office know before the day.

M&Co Jubilee Bunting Competition

There is still time to enter the Wells M&Co bunting decorating competition in honour of the Queen's Jubilee. The best design will win £500 for their school. If your child would like to enter, all they need to do is design their own bunting using the blank templates available from the office and return entries to the school office by Thursday 26th May. We will then take all entries to M&Co for judging. As well as having a chance to win £500 for the school, the bunting will be hung in store over the Jubilee Weekend! Good luck and we can't wait to see all of your entries.



Wells in Bloom



The children at Croscombe school will be entering this years Wells in Bloom School Gardening Competition and will be creating a beautiful 'garden in a wheelbarrow' display. Wheelbarrows will be on display at the Bishops' Palace Stableyard on 20th-22nd June and will remain there until the end of term.

The children will also be planting up the school's hanging basket over the coming weeks so do look out for their 'bloomin' lovely' baskets!

Thank you!

We raised **£65** at Croscombe from the sale of ice lollies and **£103.50** at Stoke from the cake sale! This is a fantastic amount to help us buy additional resources for our Ukrainian children. Croscombe will be holding another ice lolly sale next **Friday 20th May** for the same cause. Donations of lollies are welcome! Thank you.



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40 For The Federation 2022

We are excited to announce that the **40 For the Federation** fundraising walk is back again, and this year it is even bigger and better! For 2022 we are partnering with **Mind In Somerset** to help promote mental health and wellbeing, and all money raised will be split between our Federation schools and Mind In Somerset. The event offers:

- **Live Event: 24th September** - Participants can walk either a 26 or 14 mile route!
- **Virtual Event: 1st - 26th September** - Participants will walk 26 miles in 26 days!



So, if you are ready for a challenge that will get you outdoors & help boost your mental health please ***REGISTER*** at www.mindinsomerset.org.uk/fundraise/40-for-the-federation-2022/

To donate please visit our JustGiving page: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/40forthefederation2022

* Registration for all of the events is £40 and additional fundraising is requested!*

PTA and FOCs

Both the PTA and the FOCs would love to hear from any parents/carers who would like to get more involved. It is a great way to be more active in your child's school life and to meet new people and without the support of the PTA and the FOCs the children would certainly miss out!

Please contact the school office or speak to Lucy or Charlotte (Stoke St Michael) or Shaun Horan (Croscombe) if you would like to learn more about how you can help. Thank you!

Join the PTA!



And Finally....

We hope you all have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine. We know that many of our school and family communities are having a difficult time at the moment; homes have been lost, families disrupted and lives turned upside down. We want to reassure you that if you are struggling it is ok to ask for help and that our school community is here to help, wherever possible.

*Dear Lord, thank You for the power of forgiveness. Help me to choose to forgive those who have hurt me.
Help me walk in peace, and joy and help me to choose to be kind and compassionate,
forgiving others, just as You forgave me.
Amen.*

**Best wishes,
Mel Vincent & Bill Moore
Co Head Teachers**



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Diary Dates

Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
Friday 20th May	Celebration Assemblies: Every Friday at 2.45pm. Refreshments available from 2.30pm. All welcome!	Week beginning 16th May	Parents Evenings
Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th May	Parents Evening	Wednesday 18th May	Height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6 children.
Wednesday 18th May	Bags2School Collection Day	Thursday 19th May	Acorns' Noah's Ark Trip
Wednesday 18th May	Visit from Bambi the Therapy Dog	Friday 20th May	Ice Lolly Sale
Friday 20th May	Stoke PTA Jubilee Bingo	26th May	M&Co Jubilee Bunting Competition deadline
26th May	M&Co Jubilee Bunting Competition deadline	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June	Half Term
Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June	Half Term	9th June	Downside Bush Craft Day
9th June	Downside Bush Craft Day	Friday 1st July	Wrong trouser day!
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Saturday 2nd July	Stoke Summer Fair		

Croscombe Activity Calendar Summer Term 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Chestnuts - PE	Yrs 1&R - Forest School	Conkers - PE	Acorns - PE

Stoke St Michael Activity Calendar Summer Term 2022				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Acorns & Bluebells - PE Owls - PE		Oaks - PE Owls - PE	Yrs 1-4 - Swimming Bluebells Reception & Nursery - Forest School	Bluebells Reception & Nursery - PE