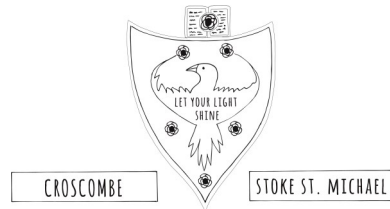


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3rd December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Lots has been happening in both schools this week and there is a definite growing of the festive feeling in the air. There have been lights, advent calendars, play and concert rehearsals & Christmas pantomime performances!



We would like to thank all of you for supporting us as we follow Somerset County Council's Amber Covid-19 guidance for schools. All schools in Somerset have been directed to maintain the current restrictions until the end of term. We are very disappointed that we will not be able to have parents in school for our upcoming festivities, however given the high number of cases in our area we know that this is the safest arrangement for the time being. We will let you know as soon as we can, of any restrictions that may be in place for the new year.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations telephone calls took place on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. If you were unable to make your time slot and have not yet been contacted about rescheduling, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office.



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

This is a reminder that Christmas Jumper Day is next Friday 10th December. We are inviting all the children to wear a festive jumper on top of their school uniform. If you are in a position to donate, all the money raised will be going to the 'Save the Children' charity.



We are also having our school Christmas lunch on the same day. If you have not ordered a Christmas meal on ParentPay for your child please ensure they have a packed lunch.

Charity Fundraising

In November we did lots of fundraising across the Federation for two very important charities. We are delighted to announce that Croscombe school managed to raise **£123.10** for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.



Our Children in Need fundraising allowed us to raise a total of **£60** in school, plus all the online donations and those sent directly to the charity. What an achievement! We want to thank everyone for their generosity to such worthy causes.



Flu Immunisation Programme

You will have received an email with information regarding this year's Flu immunisation programme. If you haven't already, please ensure that you have **completed the online form**, <https://saint.somersetft.nhs.uk/flu/2021/east>, before the following dates:

- **Croscombe = Monday 6th December**
- **Stoke St Michael = Friday 10th December**

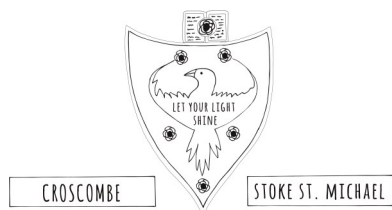
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The SAINT Team will be visiting our schools on the following dates:

Croscombe = Thursday 9th December & Stoke = Wednesday 15th December



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The Tail of The Charming Rat

This week Croscombe CofE School enjoyed an outdoor pantomime performance by the Tall Tails Theatre Company. The production was thoroughly enjoyed by staff and pupils alike. Stoke St Michael School have the excitement of this next week!



Our thanks go out to the actors and Make the Sunshine for helping to arrange and fund the performance. For more details on this wonderful experience, take a look at the latest news page on our website: www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk

Oaks and Owl Class Anglo Saxon Feast

On Thursday, Stoke St Michael's KS2 classes enjoyed a step back in time to the early Medieval era. They had a fun day-in-the-life of the Anglo Saxons by enjoying a 'mead hall' feast and doing exciting activities including dressing up, baking, and making non-alcoholic mead!

Not only was this a fantastic day for all involved, it also helped to embed the children's class theme for this term. For more information about our curriculum and the term's theme, please visit the class pages or the curriculum subject pages on the Federation website: www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk/curriculum

Christmas Holiday Club

Please find attached information regarding Mr.D's Christmas holiday club taking place at Stoke St Michael Primary School! If you are interested please contact evosports7@gmail.com



Community events

There are many marvellous community events happening in the villages surrounding the school. We will try to list these events in our newsletter calendar where possible so please get in touch with the office if you think that we have missed anything.

Stoke St Michael @St Michael & All Angels Church:

- Carols and Cakes: Carol Concert with The Swan Singers and SSM pupils! 3pm on Sunday 5th December
- Crib Service: 4pm, on Friday 24th December
- Christmas Day Family Communion Service: 10am, on Saturday 25th December



Croscombe Villiage Hall and St Mary The Virgin Church:

- Christmas Market on Saturday 11th December in the village hall. Please see attached flyer for more details.
- Church Carol Service: 4pm, on Sunday 19th December
- Christmas Day Communion Service: 11am on Saturday 25th December

End and Start of Term Dates

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the last day of term will be **Thursday 16th December at 3.15pm**. The new term will start on **Wednesday 5th January 2022 at 8.45am**.

And finally...

We hope that during this busy time of year that everyone 'takes a breather' to remember the important things: good health, kindness and spending time with those closest to us even if it is virtually!

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Co- Head Teachers





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Dates for the Diary

Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
Sunday 5th December at 3.00pm	Carols & Cakes Concert, St Michael & All Angels Church, SSM: Carol Concert with The Swan Singers	Wednesday 8th December	Acorns Class Nativity: School performance at Croscombe Village Hall. Due to Amber restrictions parents can not attend this event. A recording of the performance will be made available.
Wednesday 8th December	The Tale of the Charming Rat: Playground panto from for the school (parents not invited)	Thursday 9th December	Annual nasal flu vaccinations
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Wednesday 15th December	Annual nasal flu vaccinations	Wednesday 15th December	Croscombe Carols - 1.30pm: Parents/Carers are invited to join pupils on the school field for Covid-safe Christmas Carols!
Thursday 16th December	Last day of term! 3.15pm finish	Thursday 16th December	Years 1, 2, 3 and 4's last swimming session
Friday 17th December	School Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday.	Thursday 16th December	Last day of term! 3.15pm finish
Friday 24th December	St Michael & All Angels Crib Service, 4pm	Friday 17th December	School Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday.
Saturday 25th December	St Michael & All Angels Family Christmas Communion Service, 10am	Sunday 19th December	St Mary the Virgin, Croscombe, Carol Service 4pm
Wednesday 29th December	Deadline for booking school dinners for the 1st week of term.	Saturday 25th December	St Mary the Virgin, Croscombe, Christmas Family Communion 11am
Monday 3rd January	New Year's Day Bank Holiday	Wednesday 29th December	Deadline for booking school dinners for the 1st week of term.
Tuesday 4th January	INSET Day	Monday 3rd January	New Year's Day Bank Holiday
Wednesday 5th January	Start of the Spring term!	Tuesday 4th January	INSET Day
Thursday 13th January	Year 5 & 6 start Forest School!	Wednesday 5th January	Start of the Spring term!
		Wednesday 12th January	Year 3 & 4 start Forest School!

Dates for the Diary: Please note that we will do everything we can to ensure that the dates above are correct however, with rising cases of COVID-19 in our area, they may be subject to change. Thank you for your understanding.



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