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# Federation Newsletter

Well what a week we have had, with the snow day on Wednesday, we hope that you all had fun "playing" in the snow, we have had some great stories from the children about what they got up to on Wednesday.

A beautiful photo of Stoke St Michael School on Wednesday, looking very Wintery.



### Bluebells & Acorns Class Trips

Our thanks to Dobbies in Shepton Mallet from Croscombe Bluebells and Acorns classes as they had

such a an educational and fun time, looking at and learning the names of plants for their Science learning. To top it off they enjoyed a Hot Chocolate and Cake in the Restaurant. Our Stoke St Michael Bluebells and Acorns classes will be visiting Dobbies on Monday this week, for their chance to do the

same. Look out for the garden centre role play areas appearing in the outdoor classrooms!

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## AKA Dance Theatre Company

We received an e-mail from Jen at the Dance Theatre Company, who came to Stoke St Michael School last Wednesday, where the Chestnuts and Conkers joined us from Croscombe. It said: We just wanted to send a little message to say a HUGE thank you for welcoming us into your school last week. It was great to see all the students and staff come together to share smiles and laughter. It was lovely to hear all the enthusiastic comments post show. We are glad we've inspired your students



### Fire & Rescue Service



This week at both schools we had a visit from Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service where Lee the Fireman spent time with the children explaining about fire safety and what we can do to prevent fires in our homes and at school. The children were able to see the fire van and have a little play init.

For a Free Home Fire Safety check, please call 0800 0502

### Comic Relief

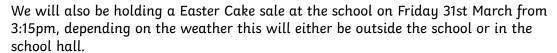


We are inviting all the children to wear something RED or Green (as it is also St Patricks day) on **Friday 17th March** for Comic Relief, we are asking for £1.00 donation which can be paid via the link below..

Croscombe School - <a href="https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11242">https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11244</a>
Stoke St Michael - <a href="https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11244">https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=11244</a>

### Stoke St Michael - PTA

PTA meeting Wednesday 15th March at the house of the Todd, All welcome, we have a few exciting things planned for this year and next and really need your support to make sure that these can happen.





### Croscombe - PTA

We have many Easter activities planned including an egg hunt and an ice lolly sale. We would really appreciate more volunteers. Please contact the office@croscombestokefederation.co.uk if you are able to offer some of time in support of raising money for the school and also providing fun activities for the children of Croscombe. Please get in touch, many thanks.

## **And Finally**

Winter's grip is finally letting go after a final blast this week. Let's look with optimism to the emerging spring and take time to enjoy the returning life all around us.

#### MARCH

The stormy March is come at last,
With wind, and cloud, and changing skies,
I hear the rushing of the blast,
That through the snowy valley flies.

Ah, passing few are they who speak, Wild stormy month! in praise of thee; Yet, though thy winds are loud and bleak, Thou art a welcome month to me.

For thou, to northern lands, again The glad and glorious sun dost bring, And thou hast joined the gentle train And wear'st the gentle name of Spring.

by William Cullen Bryant (1794-1878)

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Monda 13th - Friday 17th	Science Week	
Friday 17th	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day	
Sunday 19th	No Sunday Stokers (Mothers Day)	
Wednesday 22nd	Worlds Water Day	
Wednesday 22nd	Owls Choral Experience Day at Downside School	
Thursday 23rd	World Maths Day	
Monday 27th	Reception Class Dental Visit	
Monday 27th	Owls Citizens Advice PSRHE Money Management Session	
Tuesday 28th	Owls trip to History Hut	
Wednesday 29th	National Child Measuring - Bluebells & Year 6	
Wednesday 29th	Vision Screening Test - Bluebells	
Wednesday 29th	Bags 2 School Collection	
Friday 31st	Non-Uniform Day - Easter Theme £1.00 donation	
Friday 31st	PTA Easter Cake Sale from 3:15pm	
Friday 31st	Easter Bingo	
April		
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Thursday 20th - Wednesday 26th	School Book Fayre	
Friday 28th	Coronation Curry Night - See poster for details	

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\* RED TEXT = New dates added this week

### Science Week

The Federation will be celebrating 'Science Week' from **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. This coincides with the National Science Week which is all about making Connections!



We will be carrying out some exciting science investigations in our classrooms on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March but we would love you to get involved at home too. Follow the link to some great ideas for experiments: <a href="https://www.science-sparks.com/10-science-experiments-every-child-should-do-at-least-once">https://www.science-sparks.com/10-science-experiments-every-child-should-do-at-least-once</a>

Remember to take some photos and encourage your child to share their results in class.

#### Join us!

Do you have a job that might link to STEM subjects, for example, anything from engineers, designers and architects to scientists and technicians? Would you be happy to come into school to chat with the children about your career and experiences during Science Week? Please contact the school office or talk to your child's class teacher to arrange a time.

## **Fundraising**

In order to raise additional funds to enhance our science lessons, we will be running a pop-up 'Gadget Shop' at both schools during the week. Pocket money items along a science theme will be available for the children to purchase for between £1 and £3.

# **Poster Competition**

Pupils can get creative and enter British Science Week's annual, UK-wide poster competition! They can make a poster about any 'Connections' that appear in the world of science they like, and be in with the chance of winning an array of prizes. Each school can enter the five best posters so please get designing and return entries to school by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March so that the final entries can be chosen.

For further details, see the website below.

https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/



