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Federation Newsletter

From The Chair of Governors

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are enjoying the upturn in the weather and it is great that the children can now spend more time learning outside whilst enjoying the sunshine.

I need to let you know about a couple of significant changes across the leadership team that are going to be taking place. Mel Vincent has decided to step down from her role as Co-Head to spend more time with her family and will be leaving at the end of the Summer term. After a number of discussions the Governors have decided to appoint Chris Partridge as Executive Head across the Federation rather than replacing Mel and Bill who is also stepping down from the end of this term. So the leadership structure will be Chris, supported by a Senior Teacher at each school and Tracy Massey- Sturgess (our SENCO) working across both schools and responsible for the TA's. This revised structure we believe will give us the stability we need and will maximise Chris's expertise and experience across both schools. Chris will still be operating as Exec Head at St Paul's for 2 days per week alongside his Exec Head role with our Federation.

I am sure you will welcome Chris to the Federation and give him the support he needs to work to progress both schools.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mel for her commitment, drive and passion over the past few years, both during and post COVID when there has been so many extra pressures and expectations put on Head teachers. But she is not going away and one of her daughters will be starting in September so she will have a new relationship with the school next term as a parent!

If you have any questions at this stage or need any clarifications please speak with Mr Partridge &/or Mel Vincent in the first instance but do feel free to email me direct if you have any questions for me. Nicholas.Cramp@croscombestokefederation.co.uk

Regards

Nick Cramp

On behalf of the Federation Governing Body

From Mrs Vincent

Dear Parents & Carers,

I think that most, if not all of you, will agree that Stoke St Michael Nursery & Primary School is a magical place that has a very special and wonderful community centred around putting the children at the heart of all that we do. I have had the privilege of working with your children, their unique and wonderful characters, all of whom have and will leave a life long imprint on my heart. They are all destined for positive unique futures having started their young life journey surrounded by deeply caring, inspiring teachers, parents, staff, governors and a committed community.

It has been a tough decision for me but I am now at a point in my life where my own children and family need more of me and so I will therefore be taking a sabbatical from teaching to be more present for my own children. As you all know now, I am leaving Stoke St Michael Nursery and Primary school in the capable hands of Chris Partridge. I know Chris will care for your children and put their well being and education at the heart of every decision he makes moving the schools and the federation forward.

Thank you for the joy your children have brought me, it has been an undeniable pleasure. I look forward to the sunny term ahead ensuring a smooth hand over and gentle, happy transition for all involved. Thanks again and see you at the school gates!

Mel Vincent

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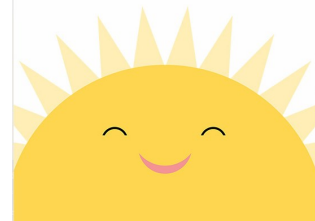
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Hot Weather

As we are now getting a little bit of sunshine, please can you ensure that your child brings in a sun hat and has sun cream already applied before coming to school in the morning. Many Thanks

Hello
Sunshine!



School Uniform



With the hot weather, the children are not needing to wear their jumpers all day, please can you make sure that all items of your child's uniform are clearly labelled, and can we also ask that you double check your child's bags to make sure that they have not picked up the wrong jumpers in error, any jumpers that are not your child's, please drop into the school office where we will be able to ensure that they make it home with the right child. If you have any old uniform that you would like to re-home please donate to the school office, where we will again find it a new home.

School Lunches

The menu is now live for after half term, please can I request that meals for the first week after half term are ordered by midnight on Wednesday 24th May, any orders placed after this date/time will not be added to the order and your child will need a packed lunch the first week back. - Thank you.



Healthy Snack

Please can we request that children bring in a healthy snack at break time rather than unhealthy snacks

And Finally

Bishop Michael and the King's Coronation

Bishop Michael, our own Bishop of Bath and Wells, was very evident as he served throughout the Coronation. His role was far bigger than many had expected to see and was carried out with tremendous grace and calm assurance.

Reflecting on events Bishop Michael shared that serving in this way was such an incredible privilege and very humbling. He was so relieved afterwards that all went well, in particular when the button at the neck of King Charles' garment fastened first time! Bishop Michael's reflections on the service are available on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/aQq7O6PZEuQ>

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Stoke St Michael	
May	
Monday 22nd	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Tuesday 23rd	Gardening Club 3:15 - 4:15pm
Tuesday 23rd	Acorns Pirate Dress Up Day
Thursday 25th	Stoke Swimming
Thursday 25th	Bluebells Forest School
Friday 26th	Last Day of Half Term
June	
Monday 5th	1st Day
Monday 5th - Friday 9th	Year 4 Multiplication Table Check - (Week One)
Monday 5th	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Thursday 8th	Swimming Year 1,2,3,4
Thursday 8th	Bluebells Forest School
Friday 9th	Frozen Fridays - Ice Creams & lollies for sale after-school
Monday 12th - Friday 16th	Year 4 Multiplication Check Phonics Screening (Week Two)
Monday 12th - Friday 16th	Phonics Screening Check week
Monday 12th	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Thursday 15th	Swimming Year 1,2,3,4
Thursday 15th	Bluebells Forest School
Friday 9th	Frozen Fridays - Ice Creams & lollies for sale after-school
Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd	Year 4 Multiplication Check - Week 3 (Last Week)
Monday 19th	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Tuesday 20th	Visit from Whitstone School Yr 6
Thursday 22nd	Swimming Year 1,2,3,4
Thursday 22nd	Bluebells Forest School
Friday 23rd	INSET DAY

Croscombe	
May	
Wednesday 24th	Forest School - Bluebells & Acorns
Thursday 25th	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Friday 26th	Frozen Fridays - Ice Creams & lollies for sale after-school
Friday 26th	Last Day of Half Term
June	
Saturday 3rd	Summer Market 11:00am - 2pm
Monday 5th	1st Day
Monday 5th - Friday 9th	Year 4 Multiplication Table Check - Week One
Wednesday 7th	Forest School - Bluebells & Acorns
Thursday 8th	Football Club 3:15 - 4:15
Friday 9th	Frozen Fridays - Ice Creams & lollies for sale after-school
Monday 12th - Friday 16th	Year 4 Multiplication Check Phonics Screening (Week Two)
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Wednesday 14th	Forest School - Bluebells & Acorns
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Tuesday 20th	Visit from Whitstone School Yr 6
Wednesday 21st	Forest School - Bluebells & Acorns
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* RED TEXT = New dates added this week