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Federation Newsletter

Both schools are buzzing with learning and, of course, anticipation as we enter the last two weeks before Christmas. Please check the calendar at the foot of the newsletter for the many festive events we have planned across both schools to mark this special time of year. A big Thank You to so many members of the school communities for helping to support these events so that we can provide exciting and memorable experiences for the children in our federation.

Rainbow Theatre Production Aladdin

On Monday, the whole federation joined together at Stoke St Michael to enjoy a pantomime production of Aladin. The children giggled from start to finish at the antics of Widow Twanky, Aladin and the evil magician Abanazar (BOOOOOO). Some of the children got to participate as members of the cast and added to the sense of fun.

The children got to share a federation playtime and then we all gathered in the hall again to sing our federation song together - Let Your light Shine.



A particular thank you must go to the parents of Lilly and Monty in Croscombe for supporting the cost of the coach that took our Croscombe children over to Stoke St Michael.

Year 5 Language Experience Day



Our Year 5 pupils from both schools enjoyed a really stimulating Language Experience day on Thursday, kindly hosted by Downside School with whom we continue to develop links.

Valentina, a Mexican student at Downside, along with staff members helped the children learn and speak Spanish phrases and she drew this lovely set of portraits of some of our pupils.

Countries that share the Spanish language have a fierce passion for football that we also share amongst the home nations of the UK.

Such opportunities like this language day allow the children to begin to discover a wonderful diverse world and understand that we all have so much in common.



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The Children were asked what they thought about the day....

"We Learnt about the Spanish Culture and Traditions, it was really interesting" Lily "I really enjoyed the benchball and the scrumches food and also making the Spanish Christmas cards" Logan We had fun doing a Christmas Quiz in Spanish" Joe

"I loved the food and Merry Christmas in Spanish" Jaydan "I made a Spanish Card for my mum & Dad" Taylor

> "We enjoyed the Quiz, we got 8 out of 14" Hywel, Harlowe & Liv

"I enjoyed making a Spanish Christmas card for my Mum and dad" Thomas

"I really enjoyed writing my Spanish Christmas card" Eliza "I learnt that in Spain they eat 12 grapes on New Years eve, one every time the clock chimes" Theo "I had fun making a card with a Christmas tree on it" Ralph

Our Christmas Nativity Shows are Coming!

Children are working hard to learn their lines and words for the songs, please support and encourage them at home, thank you! Our Christmas shows this year involve the whole school. Whilst the younger children will still be taking on the lead roles in the Nativity, Key Stage Two will form the choir and perform Nativity Readings. Bluebells and Acorns classes will dress up in Nativity costume whereas the older children in Years three and above will wear school uniform, but with a Christmas jumper.

We are not selling tickets for the Nativity shows, but there will be a donation pot in both schools, if you wish to give a small donation towards funds for the schools - cash only. Thank you

Croscombe

It's a Baby

Tuesday
6th
December
Donations Welcome



2pm
In the village Hall

Stoke St Michael

Christmas with the Aliens

Wednesday
7th
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Volunteer's needed - Croscombe Craft Fair

Are you free on Tuesday 13th December from2:00pm - 3:45pm and are willing to help on a stall or serve teas and Coffees? We would like as many things going on as we can, so as staff we would not be able to run everything on our own, if you are able to help, please send an e-mail to either office@croscombestokefederation.co.uk or sophie.hooper@croscombestokefederation.co.uk



School Lunches



Please can you order school lunches for week commencing 4th January by Wednesday 14th December as we need to order the lunches before we close for Christmas, also please bear in mind that the lunches for week commencing 9th January will also need placing asap as well, Please can you make sure that food is ordered before cut off as we are unable to add to the orders after cut off. Thank you

Advent Reflection

Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas. Advent means "Coming" in Latin. For Christians worldwide this is a period to revisit the story that leads up to the birth of Jesus. It is worth reflecting that the coming of Jesus acted as a beacon of hope in troubled times back then, and hopefully remains a beacon of hope to us today.

God of Light, Shine forth, show us how to bring hope to others

God Of Mercy, help us to comfort your people and share in their joy

Amen



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Stoke St Michael				
December				
Wednesday 7th	Christmas with the Aliens School Nativity Show - 2pm			
Thursday 8th	Christmas Jumper Day			
Friday 9th	Year 5's only Flu Vaccinations			
Friday 9th	Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumpers			
Friday 9th	Father Christmas visiting the children from the North Pole			
Monday 12th	'Sharing Time' 3:00-3:30			
Monday 12th	FGB - Governors Meeting @Croscombe 6pm			
Tuesday 13th	Christmas Fayre 2:30 - 3:45 Stall Holders Welcome			
Thursday 15th	Christmas Family Art Morning Christmas Jumpers			
Friday 16th	Carols for parents and the community 2pm			
Friday 16th	Last Day of Term Christmas Jumpers			
January				
Wednesday 4th	First Day of School Term 3			
Thursday 12th	Bluebells class trip to see The Snow Mouse in Bath			

Croscombe					
December					
Tuesday 6th	It's a Baby - School Nativity Show In the Village Hall - 2pm				
Thursday 8th	Christmas Jumper Day				
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Friday 9th	Christmas Lunch Christmas Jumpers				
Friday 9th	Non-Uniform Day- Please bring in Filled Jar with items or Chocolate				
Monday 12th	'Sharing Time' 3:00-3:30				
Monday 12th	FGB - Governors Meeting @Croscombe 6pm				
Tuesday 13th	Community Carols for the Elderly Christmas Jumpers				
Tuesday 13th	Christmas Fayre 2:30 - 3:45 Stall Holders Welcome				
Friday 16th	Last Day of Term Christmas Jumpers				
Friday 16th	Carol Service at 10:00 at Croscombe Church				
Friday 16th	Christmas School & Village Disco 6:30 - 7:30pm in Village Hall				
January					
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