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Pancake Day

What a great first day back we had, with it being Shrove Tuesday, we celebrated Pancake day across the Federation by selling pancakes for £1.00, we had a great turn out at both schools, thank you everyone who attended.

Federation Newsletter









Ash Wednesday

Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent; a period of forty days (not including Sundays) that leads up to Easter, the time that Christians remember Jesus' death and resurrection.

In the past, Christians would give up all 'rich' food and drink during Lent. This meant food such as eggs, fat and milk products weren't eaten; we still mark this tradition on Shrove Tuesday by 'using up' these ingredients to make delicious pancakes. Today some people choose to give up chocolate or sweets perhaps and give the money saved to a charity or do something extra for others.



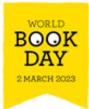
At Croscombe on Wednesday, the children were invited to make a mark of the cross with charcoal and reflect on things they might wish to put right.

World Book Day

Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March, the children are welcome to dress up on this day as their favourite book character. We are also asking parents to send in photos of their child reading, anything, anywhere, so we can see what the children enjoy reading., this can be anything from the back of a cereal book, a map anything.

Celebrate World Book Day with our upcoming Competition

To celebrate World Book Day, Doodle are running a competition where 10 children can each win a bundle of books worth £20! To enter the competition, simply share a photo of your child using Doodle while holding their favourite book <u>OR</u> using Doodle while dressed as their favourite book character between Monday 27th February and Monday 6th March. To join in on Facebook, share your photo with the tag



@DoodleLearningUK and use the hashtag #WorldBookDay, ensuring it's set to 'public view'. To enter on



Twitter or Instagram, share your photo using the tag @DoodleLearning_ and the hashtag #WorldBookDay. For full terms and conditions, please visit <u>doodlelearning.com/competition-terms-</u> <u>and-conditions</u>. Good luck, and happy Doodling!

Head Lice

We have had cases of Head Lice in both schools, please can you check and monitor your child's head on a regular basis to help stop the spread of these. Many Thanks

Junior Cross Country



We would encourage pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 to take part in the exciting cross country races that are organised by Mendip Junior Athletics. They are for all local primary schools and are very well attended. It would be wonderful for our pupils to participate and represent Croscome and Stoke St Michael.

There are 4 races: years 3/4 girls; years 3/4 boys; years 5/6 girls; years 5/6 boys. There are 2 or 3 more races left in the season. The next one is at **Downside school on 28th February.** The school will cover the fees for a federation team so there is no cost to enter. Please contact the school office via emails headed **Junior Cross country** with the name of your child and we will inform Mendip Junior Athletics. <u>http://mendipjuniorathletics.org.uk</u>

Shepton Snowdrops

Congratulations to Caroline Morris for receiving third prize in the under 11 category for her poem, Well done Caroline.



Snowdrops ring your tiny bell, This is where the pixies dwell This winter Snowdrops ring your tiny bell This is where the pixies dwell This winter Fairies sleeping till the morn Snowdrop ring your bell at dawn This winter Snowdrop ring your tiny bell This is where the pixies dwell This winter Elfin folk dancing in a fairy ring Snowdrop, snowdrop hear them sing This winter Snowdrop ring your tiny bell This is where the pixies dwell This winter

And Finally

Twelve months ago today, Russia began it's invasion of Ukraine. We have been privileged to welcome our Ukrainian friends into our school family. We hope that in the not-too-distant future peace will return to Ukraine and justice will be served.

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby



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Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
March		March	
Wednesday 1st	Make the Sunshine - Dance Event	Wednesday 1st	Make the Sunshine - Dance Event at Stoke St. Michael School
Thursday 2nd	World Book Day	Thursday 2nd	World Book Day
Tuesday 7th	Wessex Water Education Visit	Monday 6th	Bluebells Trip to Dobbies - Details to follow next week
Friday 17th	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day	Wednesday 8th	Wessex Water Education Visit
Wednesday 22nd	Worlds Water Day	Tuesday 14th	Schools Against Waste Workshop
Wednesday 22nd	Owls Choral Experience Day at	Friday 17th	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
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Thursday 23rd	World Maths Day	Wednesday 22nd	Conkers Choral Experience Day at
Monday 27th	Owls Citizens Advice PSRHE Money Management Session	Thursday 23rd	Downside School World Maths Day
Wednesday 29th	National Child Measuring - Bluebells & Year 6		
Wednesday 29th	Vision Screening Test - Bluebells		
Wednesday 29th	Bags 2 School Collection	Wednesday 29th	Bags 2 School Collection
Friday 31st	Non-Uniform Day - Easter Theme £1.00 donation	Friday 31st	Non-Uniform Day - Easter Theme £1.00 donation
Friday 31st	Easter Binger - See Poster for	April	
	details	Monday 17th -	Year 6 Residential Trip
April		Wednesday 19th	
Monday 17th - Wednesday 19th	Year 6 Residential Trip	Friday 21st - Thursday 27th	School Book Fayre
Thursday 20th - Wednesday 26th	School Book Fayre	Thursday 20th	National Child Measuring - Blue- bells & Year 6
Friday 28th	Coronation Curry Night - See poster for details		

* RED TEXT = New dates added this week