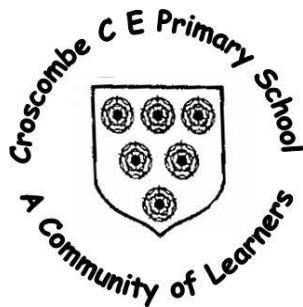


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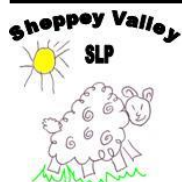
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6<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

**Acorns Class** – In DT, Acorns have started to plan their dioramas to incorporate moving parts and puppet making so they can tell stories. They have commenced decoupage to decorate their boxes, next will be to plan the scenery.

We have also been cooking and learning about healthy eating, so we made our own healthy pig pizzas! The Three Little Pigs were hungry! Please have a look before they get eaten!

**Mrs Chester**



**Chestnuts Class** – This week has been another creative one in Chestnuts classroom. The children have been planning and writing their own independent suspense tales using the skills they have learnt over the last few weeks. The discussions have been scary so we very much look forward to reading the stories! The children have also been making their own rain forest houses. They thought carefully about what they wanted their houses to look like and then chose appropriate materials to realize their plans. Finally, it is the turn of Chestnuts to explore with the Kapla resource on loan to the school. The children have enjoyed building and manipulating the blocks to make a variety of shapes and structures - forces, balancing, levers and symmetry are just a few of the concepts under discussion as they experiment.

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Rainforest Rainmakers/Houses



Thank you for your continuing support in encouraging your children to read and learn spellings at home. These small tasks can make a big difference to their ability to access all parts of the curriculum.  
**Mrs Hooper/Mrs Bloom**

**Somerset County Council/‘Sugar Smart’** - As a healthy school, we are joining with Somerset County Council/ NHS regarding being ‘Sugar Smart’.

If your child/ren wish to participate they can join in, purely on a **voluntary** basis.

Please take a look at the following websites for further information :

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

<https://www.sugarsmartuk.org/>

### **Conkers Class** – Spring Poets

We are very proud of Josh G and Jon who have received commendations for snowdrop poems. Thanks go to Mrs Amor for submitting their work to the Snowdrop Festival.

Silvery

Neutral

On and on

White

Dark green stems

Raining

Open their hearts to the world

Populating the countryside



**Josh G (acrostic)**

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## Station to the magical world

No sadness  
On the train to the magical world  
Waving in the wind  
Snowdrops take you down to the magical world  
Ready to explore  
Open your imaginations  
Popping out of the ground  
I like the snowdrops

Jon

Inspired by the poem 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes, Conkers have produced mysterious moon-lit landscapes. They used mixed media techniques including: Charcoal, stencils, pen line and blown ink.

Mr Moore



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**Head Teacher's Availability** - Mr Heath will be available next week on Thursday and then will be at Stoke St Michael on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mr Moore, our senior teacher will be available as usual.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Heath  
Executive Head Teacher  
Croscombe and Stoke St Michael Primary Federation

### **Useful Dates**

07.02.2020 – Celebration Assembly 3.00 pm (school hall) all welcome  
10.02.2020 - Dragonfly Leisure Multi Skills Club 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm (**spaces available**)  
11.02.2020 – Safer Internet Day  
11.02.2020 – Fizzpop Science Club 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm (last session)  
13.02.2020 – Year 5s to Whitstone – all day  
14.02.2020 – INSET Day (no school)  
17.02.2020 – 21.02.2020 – Half Term Holiday  
24.02.2020 – School starts  
27.02.2020 – BagsofHelp Collection (school playground shelter 9.15 am)

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### **Celebration News**

In each class we celebrate children for showing progress in their learning and for shining in a particular area. Celebrations for last week (week ending 31.01.2020)

### **Acorns**

Reader of the week - Ralph for sharing and asking questions in Guided Reading. **Topaz Power**  
Mathematician of the week – Ava for sharing ideas using tens frames. **Topaz Power**

### **Chestnuts**

Writer of the week – Jacob for trying really hard to improve his handwriting. **Sapphire Power**  
Reader of the week – Alban for excellent participation in guided reading. **Sapphire Power**

### **Conkers**

Ella Carpenter Star of the Week Certificate for working well alongside others in History exploring Tudor crime and punishment. **Diamond**.  
Writer of the week - Connor Groves for writing a really dramatic retelling of Beowulf and being courageous. **Emerald**

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What a fantastic assembly on Friday with an assortment of amazing achievements. We have swimming badges and a trophy for doing head springs (not me!). It was wonderful to see the children so proud and using their **Emerald** and **Ruby** Powers.

The **February issue of Parent Talk** (please click on link) [February issue](#) or below



This month:

- Win books for your school library – great selection of books on offer
- Win PuroBasic Headphones
- Top apps to help kids
- Yoga – ten things you didn't know about it!
- Book review – new titles for February



Coronavirus – Advice for all early years providers, schools and further education providers  
The government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad.

The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China.

Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to the area. This can be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-and-avian-flu-advice-for-travel-to-china>

Latest information and advice can also be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Please share this advice with your staff and cascade as appropriate.

Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via the link above.

What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, bin the tissue to stem the spread of viruses.



# Junk or Gem?!?

Antique valuation  
and coffee morning



CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 29th February

10am to 2pm



Bring up to 5 items  
Fee per item £1

Drinks, homemade cakes &  
bacon butties

Run by Killens at  
Mendip Auction Rooms



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