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Dear parents and carers,

As we write this newsletter there is a feeling of cosiness creeping through the corridors of both schools! Children and staff are looking very at home in their PJ's and we've really enjoyed the opportunity to settle down in 'comfy' clothes and enjoy reading some lovely books. Pyjamarama Day has been a wonderful success and we are also very grateful for your kind donations. We will ensure these are sent to the Book Trust. To see some of our pictures from the day please make sure you visit our Latest News pages on our website.



We were hoping that we might be able to give you some feedback from the Ofsted at Stoke last Wednesday. Unfortunately, we have not received our report back from Ofsted yet and they have informed us that there is a backlog in processing these reports. We will however, let you know the outcome as soon as we are able.

Support Fund

We know that for many people the past 14 months have been both emotionally and financially difficult and even though we are now beginning to ease out of lockdown much of that burden still remains.

To help ease some of that pressure we are inviting any families who are experiencing financial difficulties at this time to please let us know. We have a Support Fund of supermarket vouchers for food and/or clothing (including school uniform) available to anyone who needs it!

If you think this might help your family please email us at either:

- croscombe@educ.somerset.gov.uk
- stoke-st-michael@educ.somerset.gov.uk



Alternatively, please feel free to speak directly to your child's class teacher or Mr Moore, Co-Head Teacher.

Breakfast & After School Clubs



The breakfast and afterschool clubs have been getting great feedback from both the parents and the children attending. Evo Sports at Croscombe & Christa at Stoke are also having fun with the children and what with games, gardening, and even chocolate cake baking going on we are confident that the children are having a great time too!

If you would like to book a session please login to your child's ParentPay account and choose either the Breakfast Club or Afterschool Club payment item. If you need any help or support then please feel free to contact Tamsyn on 01749 840470.

Break Time Snacks

We would like to remind everyone that children are allowed to bring in a snack for breaktime but please ensure that it is fruit or an equivalent healthy snack. Thank you.



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Half Term Activities

There are lots of exciting activities taking place this half term that you and your children might want to take part in.

Kaye, our Forest School Leader, is hosting a half term Forest School Holiday club with pond dipping, den building, natural arts & crafts and campfire cooking - amongst other things. For more information please see the attached poster. She is also hosting a Family Fundraising Day at Windsor Hill Woods to help raise money for the Windsor Hill Woods purchase appeal. For more information or to book please [click here](#).



Likewise Mr D. and EvoSports is hosting a Half Term Holiday Club at Bishop Henderson School. Please see the attached poster for more details.



40 For The Federation!

Fundraising for the *40 For The Federation!* challenge is going so well - we have already raised over £800! But for those of you who are taking part here are some tips for optimising your fundraising support:

1. Look beyond your family & friends: ask neighbours, colleagues or even your employer!
2. Use your skills or hobbies: Offer services such as dog walking, fitness classes, cooking etc for a donation to the cause!
3. Don't be too embarrassed to ask: The worst that can happen is they say no!
4. Finally, make sure that when you ask they know they need to add your name in the comments box so that we can reward our top fundraisers.. Oh, and don't forget to thank your supporters!

If you would like to register for either the Live or Virtual events, please email croscombe@educ.somerset.gov.uk as soon as possible to ensure you have a place!

If you or your family, friends, neighbours etc would also like to make a donation, then please go to our JustGiving page: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/40forthefederation

And finally..

We wanted to thank you for your continued support and involvement in our schools. Parents play a pivotal role in the education of their children and when they see your enthusiasm and interest in their achievements and learning, it boosts the child's confidence and helps to inspire them to do their best!

We hope that as lockdown eases we will be able to have more opportunities for parent involvement in the life of the school. We would also encourage you all to get involved over the coming months with the Croscombe FOCs and the Stoke PTA whose support is invaluable!

We hope you all have a great weekend,

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