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Dear Parents and Carers,

Excitement levels are building as we race towards the end of term! Sports day, leavers parties and trips, and 'Move-Up' days are all being eagerly anticipated—by staff and pupils alike! Amongst all of this, the children's day to day teaching and learning goes on and everyone is definitely feeling the need for the summer holidays.

Over the next two newsletters we will be sending out lots of reminders and updates for September 2021. Please ensure that you read the letters carefully and do contact us if you have any questions or concerns before the end of term.

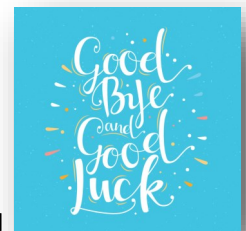
Staff Goodbyes

We are incredibly sad to be losing our lovely Lisa Lambert who has been a wonderful member of the Little Roots Pre-school team for the past 6 years. Lisa has been a valued member of the team who has been outstanding at caring for the little ones. Thank you for all you have done for the children Lisa, you will be greatly missed.

We are also very sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Rose and Miss Barnhurst who have been working with our Acorns at Stoke. Thank you for all your hard work and care, although you haven't been with the team for long, you have made such a positive contribution to our little Acorns. We wish you both all the very best for the future!

Mr Mynard is also saying goodbye to Croscombe but hello to Stoke as he moves from supply cover for Mrs Bloom and Mrs Vincent to a permanent member of the Acorns Team at Stoke.

Finally, we are also very sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Asfaw. She has been a fantastic SENCO at both schools and has supported not only the children but also the parents and staff. Her knowledge and enthusiasm for all the children she has worked with across the Federation has been fantastic and we will all miss her!



Staff Hello's!



Having said goodbye to so many members of staff we could be tempted to feel despondent however we are really excited to welcome from September some new and some familiar faces!

As mentioned above, Mr Mynard will continue as a permanent member of the team at Stoke in Acorns class. We are also delighted to be welcoming back to Stoke, Mrs O'Brien who used to be the Acorns HLTA at Stoke. She will now be heading up the EYFS team for Reception and Nursery—see below for more details.

Finally, we are very happy to announce that we have appointed a fantastic SENCO to work across the Federation! Mrs Massey-Sturgess will be joining our team and comes highly recommended as well as being a former pupil of Stoke herself!

September Term Information

We will be sending our lots of information and reminders next week and before the start of term about school meals, uniform and suppliers, Forest School and swimming lessons so please keep a look out for emails and updates!

Don't forget that we start back on Wednesday 8th September and our school day times FOR ALL pupils across the Federation are as follows :



Gates open: 8.45am Gates close: 8.55pm Lessons begin: 9.00am School ends: 3.15pm

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CLASS STRUCTURES FOR SEPTEMBER 2021/2022

Stoke St Michael

There will be a change in class structure at the lower end of the Stoke school for next year. To improve our Early Years outcomes for the children at 5 years old, we have created an Early Years Foundation Stage Unit within our porta cabin where currently our nursery 'Little Roots Pre-School' is based. This will ensure that all children between the ages of 3 and 5 will receive appropriate teacher led learning catered specifically to the age range of the foundation stage. This new EYFS class will be called Bluebells Class.



As of September, we will be able to take children at Stoke from the term that they have turned 3 years old. Unfortunately, it will no longer be possible to provide care for 2 year olds unless they have already been attending this academic year. We are sad about this, however, we believe that this new structure will significantly improve our Early Years Education. Year 1 and Year 2 children will continue to learn in the Acorns classroom where the teacher can specifically tailor the Key Stage One Curriculum relevant to this age range.

Please find below the names of the teachers and staff who will be working with your children.



Stoke St Michael

Bluebells Class—Nursery & Reception

Amanda O'Brien: Teacher
Maria Braithwait: Early Years Practitioner
Leah Riggs: Early Years Practitioner
Lauren Eaver: Teaching Assistant

Acorns Class—Year 1 & 2

Steve Mynard: Teacher (Tuesday-Friday)
Mel Vincent: Teacher (Monday)
Lauren Eaver: Teaching Assistant
Kelsey Todd: Teaching Assistant

Oaks Class—Year 3 & 4

Joanna Dymond: Teacher
Kelsey Todd: Teaching Assistant
Karla Grainger: Teaching Assistant

Owl Class—Year 5 & 6

Jacqueline Foord: Teacher
Christa Miell: 1:1 Higher Level Teaching Assistant
Grainger: Teaching Assistant

Sports Day Reminders



Please ensure that children come to school dressed in their team colours for Sports Day—**RED, YELLOW, GREEN or BLUE!** They must also have a hat and water bottle, and have sun cream applied if appropriate.

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Acorns Class—Reception, Year 1 & 2

Helen Chester: Teacher
Christine Malone: Teaching Assistant
Fiona Emery: Teaching Assistant

Chestnuts Class—Year 3 & 4

Sophie Hooper: Teacher (Monday-Wednesday)
Loredana Hunter: Teacher (Thursday & Friday)
Mireille Greer: Teaching Assistant
Fiona Emery: Teaching Assistant

Conkers Class—Year 5 & 6

Bill Moore: Teacher (Monday-Tuesday)
Caroline Amor: Teaching (Wednesday-Friday)
Sharon Halstead: Teaching Assistant
Fiona Emery: Teaching Assistant

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Summer Holiday Clubs

Please don't forget that if you are looking for things for your children to do during the summer holidays that both Mr D. and Kaye are running Summer Holiday Clubs.

For more information about Mr D's club please email evosports7@gmail.com and for Kaye's Forest School Summer club please email smforestschool@yahoo.co.uk.



End of Term Events

Stoke St Michael			
Monday 19th July	Tuesday 20th July	Wednesday 21st July	Thursday 22nd July
Sports Day: All children to come to school in PE kit	Oaks & Owls PE	No PE!	No Forest School for Reception
	Yr6 Trip to Mill on the Brue	Leavers Party for Yrs 5&6: 3.15pm-5.00pm	Leavers Assembly
			END OF TERM—Pick up at 1.30pm

Croscombe			
Monday 19th July	Tuesday 20th July	Wednesday 21st July	Thursday 22nd July
	No PE!	Sports Day: All children to come to school in PE kit	No PE for Acorns & Chestnuts
	Yr6 Trip to Mill on the Brue	No Forest School for Reception	
			END OF TERM—Pick up at 1.30pm

Nits & Ticks

We have had several reports of nits in both schools. Please continue to check, treat and regularly comb your children's hair!

It is also tick season so please be aware and check your children for ticks—especially after they have been on the playing fields.



For more information or advice about what to do if your child has nits or you find a tick visit www.nhs.uk.

Face Masks

We understand that as from next week guidance changes regarding the wearing of face masks. We would however, like to ask all parents to please consider continuing to wear face masks at drop off and pick up until the end of term in order to help minimise the possibility of disruption to holiday plans due to Covid-19. Thank you.



We hope you all have a sun-filled fun-filled weekend!

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