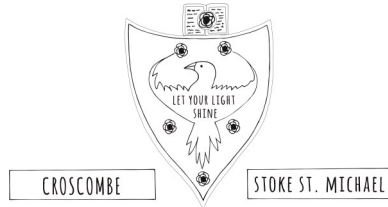


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26th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has passed and there are now only three weeks to go until the Christmas break! The energy and hard work being shown by all the children is wonderful and is something that we are very proud of and thankful for.

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be taking place on Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd December next week. We had hoped that we would be able to have parents on site for these however, Covid-19 restrictions are still in place in the schools and therefore they will need to be conducted via the telephone. Details of the appointments will be in a letter sent home in the children's bags, so please keep an eye out for this.



Christmas Holiday Club

Please find attached information regarding Mr.D's Christmas holiday club taking place at Stoke St Michael Primary School! If you are interested please contact evosports7@gmail.com

Acorns at Croscombe Nativity

Attached is the poster inviting all Croscombe families and carers to come and watch the children's nativity at Croscombe Village Hall. Please note that COVID guidelines will be in place including:

- Wearing a face mask at all times.
- Staying in family bubbles, leaving a space / chair between each group.
- Wearing warm clothes; doors and windows will be open!



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day is on the 10th December so we are inviting all the children to wear a festive jumper on top of their school uniform. We are encouraging donations, with all the money raised going to the 'Save the Children' charity. More details about how to donate will be sent out soon!



We are also having our Christmas Lunches on the same day. The menu will be available to book on ParentPay from Monday next week. Please note that the deadline for ordering will be midnight on the 1st December, please can all booking be done before this date.



Stoke PTA Christmas Disco

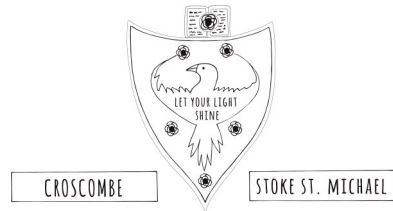
Sadly we have had to cancel the PTA's Christmas Disco for the children. This is due to the rising levels of COVID in the area, however, its not all bad news! The PTA are generously giving each class at Stoke St Michael a Christmas Party Pack. All of the classes will have their own bubble 'class Christmas party' on the last day of term!



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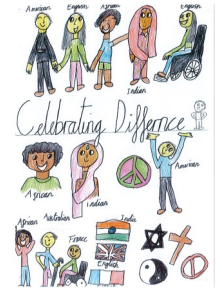
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FOCS

Friends of Croscombe School (FOCS) would love to hear from any parent/carer who is interested in getting involved. Please speak to Shaun Horan (Chair) or contact the school office, if you would like to join or would like more information.

Celebrating Differences

This half term the Federation has been Celebrating Differences as part of their PSHRE curriculum. The children are learning to accept that being different is ok and that our differences are what make us all special and unique. Some of the Stoke pupils created some thoughtful posters. For more curriculum information please see our website! www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk



Whitstone Dance Festival

On Thursday this week our Federation year 5 pupils attended the Primary School Dance Festival at Whitstone School. The day was a great success and was enjoyed thoroughly by all the children. We want to take this opportunity to highlight the superb behaviour of all of our pupils, who were brilliant representatives of our Federation. We also would like to thank Whitstone School for hosting the day as well as the BTEC Dance Students from Whitstone for being great teachers and leaders for the day!

Last Day of Term—December 2021

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, an extra bank holiday has been announced to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. The Department for Education has provided guidance that schools take this day earlier on in the academic year. Our schools will celebrate this bank holiday on **Friday 17th December**, meaning that the **last day of term will be Thursday 16th December**. The day will end at the usual time of 3.15pm.

Thankfulness

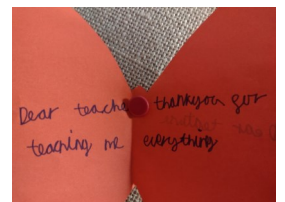
This term Croscombe have been focusing on 'Thankfulness' and all the things that we have to be thankful for. With the help of Mrs Amor, all the Croscombe children have written a reflection or prayer of thankfulness on a coloured butterfly. When each year group's butterflies were put together they formed a wonderful thankfulness rainbow.



*Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!-
1 Chronicles 16:8*

And finally...

We hope that everyone has a restful weekend and has a good start to next week. If you are looking for some light reading, our website is regularly updated with information and photos so don't forget to look online to see what's going on in school: www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk



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Dates for the Diary

Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd December	Remote Parent Consultations: Appointment details will be sent out shortly.	Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd December	Remote Parent Consultations: Appointment details will be sent out shortly.
Sunday 5th December at 3.00pm	Carols & Cakes Concert, St Michael & All Angels Church, SSM: Carol Concert with The Swan Singers - children to wear something Christmassy!	Wednesday 1st December	The Tale of the Charming Rat: Playground panto for the school (parents not invited)
Wednesday 8th December	The Tale of the Charming Rat: Playground panto for the school (parents not invited)	Friday 3rd December	Conkers Trip to Wells Cathedral School's musical production of A Christmas Carol—more details to follow.
Thursday 9th December	School Nativity: More details to follow.	Wednesday 8th December	Acorns Class Nativity: 2pm in Croscombe Village Hall
Friday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Lunch	Friday 10th December	Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Lunch
Thursday 16th December	Class Christmas Party - Festive Mufti Day!	Thursday 16th December	Years 1, 2, 3 and 4's last swimming session
Thursday 16th December	Last day of term! 3.15pm finish	Thursday 16th December	Last day of term! 3.15pm finish
Friday 17th December	School Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday.	Friday 17th December	School Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday.
Wednesday 29th December	Deadline for booking school dinners for the 1st week of term.	Wednesday 29th December	Deadline for booking school dinners for the 1st week of term.
Monday 3rd January	New Year's Day Bank Holiday	Monday 3rd January	New Year's Day Bank Holiday
Tuesday 4th January	INSET Day	Tuesday 4th January	INSET Day
Wednesday 5th January	Start of the new term!	Wednesday 5th January	Start of the new term!

Dates for the Diary: Please note that we will do everything we can to ensure that the dates above are correct however, with rising cases of COVID-19 in our area, they may be subject to change.

Thank you for your understanding.



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