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28th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a week of mixed emotions here in the Federation as we continue to navigate perhaps the most difficult months of the year! The children have all been working so hard and as always we are incredibly proud of their attitudes. From our youngest children in Bluebells pre-school to our year 6 cohorts, all of them are striving to learn and grow despite the ongoing Covid-19 uncertainties, the usual winter bugs, and of course the seemingly endless dark mornings!



There is light however, and this is particularly seen in their enthusiastic and creative input in the sessions with Jane Taylor! The children are definitely letting their 'Light Shine' and we are so proud of them all!

Let Your Light Shine Federation Song

Over the past couple of weeks, professional singer song writer [Jane Taylor](#) led a song writing workshop with the both schools in the Federation. Jane will be returning on Monday to record the song based on her collaborative work with the children. The song will have the Federation Gem Learning Powers and motto of 'Let Your Light Shine' at its heart.



We are also very excited to let you know that the BBC will be coming into both schools on Monday to film Jane and the children as part of the Points West broadcast that evening. Please ensure that you have completed and returned the consent forms, sent via ParentPay and in your child's bookbag, by Monday!

The finished song will be a wonderful and joyful way to mark our emergence from such a tough and prolonged period with every child contributing their voice. We hope to have copies of the recording available to purchase in the spring. We will keep you updated but, in the meantime, remember to 'Let your light shine.'

Covid Guidelines Reminder

This is a reminder that we are still following guidance from the Secretary of State for Education and Somerset County Council that all schools in Somerset are to maintain the **Amber** restrictions until further notice. We hope to have more information from Somerset early next week and that we will be able to invite parents back on site from 7th February. We will send out an update with our Federation's approach to any changes as soon as it becomes available.

Chinese New Year Red Envelops

As part of our Chinese New Year Celebrations on 1st February, we will be embracing Chinese traditions and will be creating dragons to dance with and cooking delicious Chinese food to help celebrate the event. You will also find in your child's book bag a red envelope. It is a tradition at New Year to give the gift of a beautiful red envelope to your family and friends with a small gift on money enclosed. The red colour symbolizes good luck and prosperity in Chinese cultures. We are asking, if you are able, to please enclose a money donation in the envelope and return it to the school to help fund new books for our amazing children! Thank you.



Whitstone School Open Morning

On Tuesday 1st February 9:00am-11:00am, Whitstone School are inviting prospective students who are due to start secondary school in September 2022 and 2023 to an open morning. Please contact Whitstone directly to secure your place for the event on 01749 345555 or whitstoneinfo@educ.somerset.gov.uk

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Uniform Reminder

Following the exciting news that the BBC is coming in to film the children on Monday we are asking for your support in ensuring your children are wearing full school uniform, are looking smart and are proud ambassadors of our wonderful schools Federation. Below is a reminder of the current school uniform as well as the contact details for our uniform supplier in Wells. Thank you for your help with this!



South West Schoolwear Wells (formerly Identity Kits), 23 Broad Street, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2DJ. Tel: (01749) 670000 or online at www.swschoolwear.co.uk

Croscombe CofE School Uniform

Autumn/Winter

- Royal blue school sweatshirt or jumper/cardigan with school emblem
- Grey trousers (girls & boys), or grey skirt/pinafore
- White shirt/blouse or white polo shirt with school emblem
- Grey Socks or tights
- Black school shoes
- Fleece/weather proof coat
- Navy blue book bag

Summer

- Blue gingham dress / grey shorts
- White socks (girls) / Grey socks (boys)
- Baseball style hats/legionnaire hats are also available

P.E. Kit

- School hoodie
- White polo shirt or T-shirt
- Navy jogging bottoms
- Navy shorts (girls & boys) or navy skort
- Black daps (indoor PE) & Trainers (outdoor PE)
- Named PE bag

Stoke St Michael School Uniform

Autumn/Winter

- Navy blue sweatshirt or jumper/cardigan with school emblem
- Grey trousers (girls & boys), or grey skirt/pinafore
- Yellow polo shirt with school emblem
- Grey Socks or tights
- Black school shoes
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Bluebells' Read Write Inc Reception Open Morning

 Reception parents at Stoke St Michael are invited on Tuesday 8th February to Bluebells for an informal meeting to discuss the 'Read Write Inc'. phonics scheme and early reading. It will also be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have and share your experiences with other parents. Please let Mrs. O'Brien or the office know if you want to attend.

School Absences

Please reminder that if your child is not going to be in school to ring or email the school office to let them know why by 9.15am. If you call but cannot get through, please leave a message. If your child has either diarrhea or vomiting they cannot return to school until 48 hours from their last episode to prevent the spread of infection.

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Half Term Holiday Club

Please remember that Mr.D's is running a Science Half Term Holiday Club, taking place at Bishop Henderson Primary School. If you are interested please contact evosports7@gmail.com



Facebook

We know we've told you before but don't forget to like our new Facebook pages where we post regular photos and updates!

- www.facebook.com/croscombecofprimary
- www.facebook.com/StokeStMichaelPrimary



And Finally...

There is lots going on next week and we know the children will have a fantastic time but sometimes excited children and tired parents/carers need a moment to be still! Please remember to make time over the coming week to 'stand and stare', to notice beauty's smile in the everyday, and to let it feed your wellbeing.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend,

Mel Vincent & Bill Moore
Co-Head Teachers

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Monday 31st January	Jane Taylor Recording Session
Monday 31st January	BBC Points West visit—please complete and return consent forms!
Tuesday 1st February	Chinese New Year Day
Tuesday 1st February	Whitstone School Open Morning 9-11am. Contact them to book a space.
Tuesday 1st February	Reception Read, Write, Inc. meeting. Bluebells 9am.
Tuesday 8th February	1st Celebration assembly of the year! School Hall 2.45pm.
Thursday 10th February	Online ADHD training for parents. 1.30—3.30pm
Friday 18th February	Bluebells' Cake Sale after school
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Monday 28th February	Start of the new half term!

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