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18th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to half term... A day earlier than expected! If you haven't already heard, following advice from the Met Office and Environment Agency, Somerset County Council have advised all schools in Somerset to close on Friday 18 February.

We will therefore be closed tomorrow, Friday 18th February, and will not reopen until the end of half term on Monday 28th February. Please stay safe!



Next week is a chance for us all to take a well deserved break. We are so impressed with the children and their passion for learning this term and we are looking forward to Spring Term 2, and all the new growth in learning it will bring! We also look forward to hearing about how the children spent their half term holiday!

'Shine Together' Concert at Downside School

On Friday 11th, the Federation attended a charity music concert at Downside School in Stratton on the Fosse to launch our song 'Shine Together'. There was a fabulous turn out at the event with over 40 of our children taking part in the performance in front of a full auditorium. We are so proud of all of our pupils who beautifully represented the schools. The director of Music and the Head of Downside have praised the children on the excellent lyrics, beautiful melody and also on how well presented and behaved they all were. Well done everyone!

World Book Day!

Thursday 3rd March is World Book Day. We would love to see all of the pupils / staff and volunteers dressed up as their favorite book characters!

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we want the Federation to take part in a fun reading challenge. We are inviting all children, staff, volunteers, parents and carers to send us any pictures of themselves reading in an unusual place. There will be a vote for the most unusual reading location, with the winner receiving a book voucher. Please can entries be sent by Tuesday 1st March to croscombe@educ.somerset.gov.uk or stoke-st-michael@educ.somerset.gov.uk - we look forward to seeing your pictures!



Stoke PTA

The amazing PTA at Stoke St Michael have been busy planning lots of fun fundraising events for the children including a pancake day celebration on Tuesday 1st March after school. The children and an accompanying adult are invited in to the hall to celebrate with pancakes for every child and refreshments available for a donation. There is also an Easter Disco with Crazy Pete on Friday 1st April, 6pm - 8pm. All children are invited to the disco (with an accompanying adult) and to take part in the Easter bonnet competition being held on the night!

The PTA have asked for everyone to save the date of the Summer Fair taking place on Saturday 2nd July. Also the Jubilee Bingo is taking place on Friday 20th May with the now famous bingo caller, Al Stewert.

Cake Sales

We want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make the cake sale for Acorns at Croscombe such a success. The children have made £200! Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success. All of the money raised is going back into funding the class' resources and trips.



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Due to the school closure we have had to postpone our Bluebells cake sale and raffle until **Friday 4th March**. We look forward to seeing then!



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Croscombe PE Days

This is a reminder that after the February half term, Croscombe will be making a temporary adjustment to their PE days. This is to fit in with the Forest School schedule. Please see the new days below:

Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
Chestnuts	Acorns	Conkers

Forest School

The forest school schedule for next term will be:

Stoke St Michael -Thursday	Croscombe Friday
Years 3&4	Year 2

The new payment item on ParentPay will be allocated to your child before their first session after half term so please look out for it and ensure payment for the sessions are made as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sunday Stokers

In Stoke St Michael there is a new church children's group called the Sunday Stokers for children aged 4-11. The first meeting of the group will be on Sunday 20th February, and once a month from then on. Please see the attached poster for more details.

Shine Together - Download coming soon!

Please make sure you have contributed on ParentPay to the children's amazing school song to receive your downloadable copy, written and performed by the children!

And Finally...

We urge you all to take some time over the half term to really rest and care for yourselves. Treat yourself to something special each day, a simple moment of quiet with your favourite cuppa; a few minutes extra to be outside each day; a jumbled box of treats so that you can pick one out at random each evening... Our children see how we treat ourselves and learn from our example, so let's help them to look after their own need for rest by showing them to do it!

Dear Lord,
 Thank You for this wonderful opportunity to recharge our 'batteries'
 and spend time away from the hustle and bustle of every-day life.
 Bless this time so we can return rejuvenated and ready to continue our daily tasks!
 Amen.

Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.
 ~ Matthew 11:28 ~

We wish you all a safe and happy half term!

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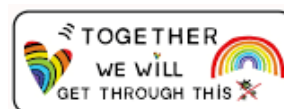


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Diary Dates

Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
Monday 28th February	Start of the new half term!	Monday 28th February	Start of the new half term!
Tuesday 1st March	Deadline for Extreme Reading Challenge	Tuesday 1st March	Deadline for Extreme Reading Challenge
Tuesday 1st March	PTA pancake day celebrations afterschool. Refreshments available for a small donation. Adult to accompany pupils.	Tuesday 1st March	Phonics / Reading training session for KS1 parents / carers. 9.10-9.50 with Mrs Chester.
Tuesday 1st March	RIC Reading (Retrieve, Interpret and Choice) training session for Yrs 3&4 parents / carers with Mrs Dymond	Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day—Dressing up as a book character!
Thursday 3rd March	Yr 3 & 4 Forest School	Friday 4th March	Yr 2 Forest School in afternoon.
Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day!	Tuesday 8th March	Jackdaws Drama Workshop—Acorns Afternoon
Friday 4th March	Bluebells Cake Sale & Raffle!	Tuesday 8th March	RIC Reading (Retrieve , Interpret and Choice) training session for KS2 parents / carers with Mrs Hooper
Tuesday 8th March	Jackdaws Drama Workshop - Acorns Morning	Tuesday 8th March	International women's day!
Tuesday 8th March	RIC Reading (Retrieve , Interpret and Choice) training session for Yrs 5&6 parents / carers with Miss Foord	Thursday 17th March	Acorns class trip to the Rural Life Museum—More details to follow!
Tuesday 8th March	International Women's Day!	Friday 18th March	Red Nose Day!
Friday 18th March	Red Nose Day!	Monday 21st March	World Poetry Day!
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Tuesday 22nd March	Maths Calculation Workshops for ALL parents/carers: Nursery—Yr6 2pm. More info to follow.		
Friday 1st April	PTA Easter Disco with crazy Pete. 6pm - 8pm. Adult to accompany pupils.		



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