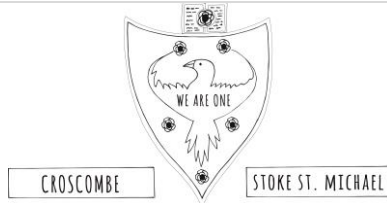


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## Federation Newsletter

13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Self-Isolating Guidance**

We would like to thank you all for your support and vigilance in ensuring that our schools continue to stay safe places for our children and staff. Please continue to wear your facemasks at drop off and pick up times and to maintain social distancing.



Please find attached some important COVID-19 guidance from Somerset County Council and the NHS regarding who needs to self-isolate and/or get a COVID-19 test. Our Federation is following this guidance alongside our own stringent Risk Assessments and guidance from the Government, Public Health England, and the NHS. If you have any questions regarding this information please do not hesitate to contact us and we will do our best to help!

### **Parent Consultations**

You should all have received a ParentPay email and a letter in your children's book bag confirming the time and date of your child's parent consultation, as well as the telephone number we are planning to call you on. If you would like to change any of these details, please contact the class teachers or the school office as soon as possible. We are all looking forward to speaking with you next week about your children.

### **Free School Meals & Frozen Family Meals**

We are delighted to be able to repeat our offer of free family size frozen meals as we have had some more donated to us! If you would like to receive a meal, please contact the school and we can arrange for it to be delivered or for you to collect it.

### **Free Parenting Support**

Please find attached a poster for a free course from The Wellbeing Practitioners at Young Somerset. They are offering support for parents with children, aged 5-12, who are displaying mildly challenging behaviour at home. The course offers support and help to understand this behaviour and learn strategies to encourage positive and reduce negative behavior. If you are struggling with a child at home, please do let us know and we will do all we can to support you and your children.

## School News

Children in Need seems a long time ago now but we are delighted to let you know that the Federation raised £158.63 for this excellent cause. Thank you to all of you for your kind donations. Why not head over to the Latest News pages of our website for some fun pictures from the day!

## Author's Virtual Visit!

Our Year fives and Sixes had the wonderful opportunity to meet and put questions to Jaspinder Bilan, a Costa award winning children's author. Jaspinder read to the class from her latest mystical adventure mystery 'Tamarind and The Star of Ishta'. She also shared with the children the story of her own proud British Asian heritage, from which she had drawn inspiration for the central character.



Here are some thoughts from the children following this special interview:

'We were lucky to see her'

'I was happy because I met my first author'

'I was excited to see what happened next'

'I was excited to see her'

Finally, don't forget to check back into the Federation website for all the latest news and photos!

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We hope you have a restful & healthy weekend!

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Let Your Light Shine





## Croscombe Celebration News

20<sup>th</sup> November 2020

We CELEBRATE children for showing progress in their learning and for shining in a particular area.

### Our Super STARS of the Week:

**Conkers:** **Oscar** for sharing his pertinent observations and thoughts during scientific investigations into light. Terrific **Topaz Power!**

**Chestnuts:** **Mason** for having a positive attitude to work and being ready and focused at the beginning of lessons. Super **Sapphire Power!**

**Acorns:** **Toby** for his great focus during RE. Super **Sapphire Power!**

### Our Wonderful WRITERS of the Week:

**Conkers:** **Mya** for her thorough listening and responding in class resulting a really powerful start to her 'Rags to Riches' story. Amazing **Amethyst Power.**

**Chestnuts:** **Caroline** for writing a fantastic start to her portal story. Super **Sapphire Power.**

**Acorns:** **Darcy** for using super **Sapphire Power** and writing your name beautifully, and for staying focused in phonics.

### Our Marvelous MATHEMATICIANS of the Week:

**Conkers:** **Mason** for working independently using **Diamond Power** to solve questions relating to data tables.

**Chestnuts:** **Clayton** for asking for help when it is needed, listening carefully to the advice and then having a go independently. Excellent **Diamond Power.**

**Acorns:** **Herbie** for showing **Amethyst Power** with his excellent team work in Maths using number bond to 10.