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18th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a mixed week across the Federation with large numbers of Covid-19 cases in Stoke St Michael and the many changes that this has meant for the children, parents and staff in that school. We want to thank everyone from across our wonderful school community for their support and hard work, which has ensured that the school has been able to stay open and remains a safe place where the children can come to learn and grow! We ask that everyone across the Federation remains vigilant and if your child is unwell or displays any symptoms of Covid-19 that you keep them at home and do daily LFD tests. With rapidly rising case numbers in Somerset we need to continue to be cautious and keep our communities safe. Thank you.



Despite the challenges at Stoke, the children from both schools have had another busy week of studying, exploring and fun. They have been engaged in lots of activities aimed at inspiring them to celebrate science as part of this year's British Science Week. Have a look at our Latest News pages on the website to see some of the fascinating activities the children have been doing and please 'like' our Facebook pages to see updates there as well!

British Science Week

British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths taking place between 11-20 March 2022! If you want to get involved at home download your free activity pack by clicking on the link below or visit the britishscienceweek.org for more ideas!



- [Fun, Family Science Activity Pack](#)

Red Nose Day

As you know today, Friday 18th March is Red Nose Day. We were delighted to see so many of our pupils and staff wearing something red to school to celebrate this excellent cause. Red Nose Day is an annual fundraising campaign organised by the Comic Relief charity to end child poverty by funding programs that keep children safe, healthy, educated and empowered both in the UK and abroad. If you are in a position to financially support Comic Relief, please donate using the voluntary payment items on ParentPay. Also, keep your eyes peeled as you may see some of our photos in the local gazette as well as on our website and Facebook pages!



Acorns Croscombe Rural Life Trip

This week Acorns at Croscombe went on their trip to the Rural Life Museum in Glastonbury. The class had a brilliant day out exploring aspects of life beyond living memory including seeing what life was like before modern inventions and comparing their lives with those from the past. During their visit the group took part in workshops that included cooking in a Victorian Kitchen, creating Victorian crafts and looking at Victorian artefacts! It was a great opportunity and a wonderful 'hands-on' learning experience for all the children.



A special thanks goes to all of those who helped to run and support the Acorns' Treat Sale at the end of last half term. The coach was subsidised by the generous amount raised during the fundraiser and without this money the trip could not have gone ahead. Thank you everyone!

Stoke PTA Easter Disco

The PTA are hosting an **Easter Disco** with Crazy Pete on **Friday 1st April, 6pm - 8pm**. All children must be accompanied by an adult and are invited to take part in an Easter bonnet competition being held on the night! There will be refreshments available and a raffle. £1.50 per person or £5 per family.

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Bambi The Therapy Dog Rescheduled

Sadly, we have had to postpone Bambi's trip to Stoke St Michael school this week. Bambi has had a mild ear infection so wasn't feeling 100% and as 'tail-waggy' as normal. The reschedule date is yet to be confirmed but will be announced as soon as it becomes available. Please remember that if there is any reason why you would not like your child to spend time with Bambi, then it is essential to let the office know prior to the visit.



Jackdaws Year of Klezmer 2022 Concert

This is a reminder that on Tuesday 22nd March all of the Federation children have been invited to perform at the **Jackdaws Year of Klezmer 2022 Grand Finale Concert**. The event is being held at the Cheese and Grain in Frome and the timings are as follows:

- Arrival from 3.30pm
- Rehearsals 4-5pm
- Performance 5.30-6.30pm.



Tickets are on sale at the Cheese & Grain box office: 01373 455420. £5 Adults, £3 Children, Under 5's free. Venue details are on the website www.cheeseandgrain.com. If you are intending for your child to attend, please can you let the school office know ASAP.

"Jackdaws Music Education Trust is dedicated to improving participation in and enjoyment of music.. We work with thousands of children... inspiring and enabling creative expression by bringing accessible and inclusive music projects into schools. Every year we bring together world class musicians and school children in the South West, through award-winning Education projects such as 'Year of ...'".

To find out more about this year's project 'The Year of Klezmer' (a type of Jewish music that originated in Eastern Europe) go to www.jackdaws.org.uk.

Bluebells Stay and Play Session

On Wednesday 27th April at 9.30am, Bluebells are inviting **all families** with young children to a Stay & Play session in Bluebells class. Please see the attached leaflet for more information and do feel free to share the date with friends and family who might be looking for a fantastic preschool in a lovely rural setting!

Bluebell's Cake Sale

This is a reminder that the Bluebell's cake sale and raffle has been rescheduled for Friday 25th March at 3pm. All money raised will be used for class resources and trips. Please make sure you bring some money to support the sale! Donations of sweet treats and raffle prizes are also very welcome!



And Finally..

As the world joins together to pray for peace in Ukraine we invite you to say this simple prayer:

Heavenly Father, we ask for peace for those who need peace, reconciliation for those who need reconciliation and comfort for all who don't know what tomorrow will bring.

We ask for you to be with all – especially the children and the elderly who are suffering.

We pray for those who are bereaved, injured or who have lost their lives.

Lord may your Kingdom come, and Your will be done. Amen.



Best wishes,
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Diary Dates

Stoke St Michael		Croscombe	
Sunday 20th March	CANCELLED: Sunday Stokers is cancelled for this coming Sunday due to the high number of C19 cases. Apologies!	Monday 21st March	World Poetry Day.
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Monday 21st - Friday 25th March	Art Week - If anyone has any large sheets of card we would be grateful for them to help us create our forest art!	Tuesday 22nd March	Music experience day at Downside School. Year 5s and 6s. More details to follow!
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Friday 25th March	Bluebells Cake Sale!	Sunday 17th April	Easter Sunday
Friday 1st April	PTA Easter Disco with crazy Pete. 6pm - 8pm. Adults to accompany children.	Monday 18th April	Easter Monday
Friday 8th April	Last Day of Term!	Monday 25th April	First Day of Term!
Friday 15th April	Good Friday	Monday 2nd May	Early May Bank Holiday
Sunday 17th April	Easter Sunday		
Monday 18th April	Easter Monday		
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