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Dear Parent /Carer,

Dates for the diary!

Monday and Tuesday 3 rd and 4 th September	INSET days
Wednesday 5 th September	Year 1 – 6 Children’s first day of term
Monday 10 th September	New Reception children’s first day
Monday 10 th September (Monday and Thursday every week from 10 th September)	First Breakfast Club 8.30am – 9am
Wednesday 12 th September (Every Wednesday from 12 th September)	Creative Aquatic – swimming and sports
Thursday 14 th September – Thursday 25 th October (Every Thursday)	First block of Forest School sessions start for Year 3 and 4



Rock Bottom!

Thank you to Oaks for such a fabulous and fun show last night. We appreciate all the effort that you put into 'Rock Bottom' in order to entertain us all, well done! A big thank you must go to Mrs Young, Mrs Miell and Mrs Spencer who have been behind the scenes prop making and thank you for the extra hard work and support that you gave the children, it really paid off! A special thanks to everyone that came along to watch the performance. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Wells Fun Run 10k and Children's Races

A big Thank you to all parents and pupils who took part in the Wells Fun Run to raise funds for Stoke St Michael School! We are very grateful to you all for raising an amazing £800 for school resources which is being split three ways between Acorns class, Oaks class and Little Roots Pre-School.

Summer Fair

Another big thank you! This time to the PTA, who organised another fantastic Summer Fair this year and to all the children and their families who supported this event. Together we raised an absolutely fantastic £950 for the school.

Race for Life

Congratulations to all the children who took part and raised a huge amount of money for this very worth-while cause. Thank you and well done! Children raised £1083.70 giving us a grand total of £1090.70 with donations on the day.

Inspired through sport – Kane Charig Visit

A big thank you to Olympic athlete, Kane Charig who visited the school on Tuesday 10th July to inspire the children to be champions! Everyone had a wonderful day and the children really enjoyed the sports activities with Kane. A huge well done to all the children who raised £367! £200 of the funds raised will go to Inspired through sport Olympic fund and the school will have the remaining £167 to spend on new sports equipment for the children.

End of term BBQ

Thank you to the PTA for organising such a lovely end of year barbeque...Thanks to all those who came along to celebrate the year and to wish our Year 6 leavers every success for the future. Together we raised a fantastic £109.00!

Lollies

We have raised an amazing £102 from our ice lolly sales. Thank you all for your support this term. Any other ideas for selling on the gate on a Friday after school during the Autumn term will be gratefully received. The money raised by the hard work of the parents really does support the school with much needed resources.

Mrs Hurley

Mrs Hurley will be decreasing her teaching commitment as of September. We are fortunate to keep her as our SENCO but Acorns are saying thank you and goodbye today as she will no longer be teaching in class. However Mrs Vincent will be teaching Acorns all week as of September. Thank you for all you have achieved with the children in Acorns class, Mrs Hurley, we wish you luck and happiness in your further ventures.

A big thank you from the Chickens!

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to help take care of the chickens over the summer holidays. Salt and Pepper are very grateful to you all!

School Improvements

You may notice a few changes in September. Over the summer holidays there will be some building work taking place around the school. We have a child protection grant that is being used to improve the fencing around the perimeter of the site and the entrance corridor to the school. Year 1 and 2 will have access to the boys and girls changing rooms which they will share with Oaks class but will use at different times. Our nest area will be an extra teaching and learning zone which will become more enclosed to ensure our intervention groups are not disturbed giving the Acorns children more learning space. We will be welcoming another teaching assistant to our team, her name is Alison Ruddle and she will be supporting Mrs Young alongside Mrs Miell and Mrs Spencer in Oaks class. The children were a part of the interview process and it was interesting to see that they too saw Mrs Ruddle as their favourite choice.

Coming to school and going home

In keeping with our child protection policy, we ask that the children in Years 3 and 4 are delivered and collected from the school by an adult. Mrs Young will not be able to let them leave the school site on their own. If this causes a concern for you do come and talk to us we will look at each individual child and family. When the children reach Years 5 and 6 we leave it to your discretion as to whether you feel they are ready to walk to and from school on their own. We will need a confirmation in writing to allow the children to walk to school and walk home alone; this will need to be renewed each term please.

Forest School

Forest school for Oaks starts on Thursday 13th September and will run until Thursday 25th October for Years 3 and 4. Years 5 and 6 will start on Thursday 8th November and will run until Thursday 6th December. Acorns will be going after the Christmas break starting with Year 2 on Thursday 10th of January until 14th of February for half term break and then resume on Thursday 28th until Thursday 4th April. Reception and Year 1 will start on Thursday 25th April until Thursday 23rd of May for half term break and then resume on Thursday 6th June until Thursday 18th July.

After School Clubs

From Friday 14th September after school clubs will be held on Friday afternoons for the whole school. The club activities will be fencing/archery but these will be on a first come first served basis as spaces are limited to 22. Premier sports will hold an assembly on Friday 7th September to tell the children all about it and permission slips will be sent home afterwards.

Summer Activity Jar Challenge!

You will notice your child/children have each been given an 'activity jar' filled with ideas of fun and engaging activities to keep them entertained over the holidays. (They are lots of fun for Parents and carers too) They have also been given a blank grid to allow them to pick 16 activities to do over the holidays, encourage them to write about the activity or draw a picture showing what they did for each activity in the grid. Have fun!

Uniforms

In September your child will need:

- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan with school emblem
- Yellow polo-shirt with or without school emblem
- Grey trousers/dress/skirt
- Blue gingham dresses/ Grey shorts (In Summer)
- Black school shoes

P.E

- A named bag
- White t-shirt or polo Shirt
- Navy, or black Shorts
- Navy, or black Tracksuit for outdoor sessions
- Black plimsolls or 'Non-mark' Trainers.

Please check plimsolls/trainers regularly as children's feet grow very quickly

P.E kits are sent home every half term to be washed and checked for size.

Please ensure your child has a P.E kit in school at all times during term time.

Please note: It is essential that all jewellery is removed for P.E.

Website: www.schoolwear4orless.com (A link can be found on our school website.)

Customer support: 0845 6007377 (Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5pm)

Email: info@swfl.co.uk

Please ensure all uniform and PE kits are clearly labeled for September.

Thank you

I would like to say a personal thank you to EVERYONE for all the support they have given the school in the absence of our head teacher Mr Heath. The governors, parents and staff have all pulled together and kept the school a happy and thriving environment for the children. Thank you and we look forward to welcoming Mr Heath back when he is better.

Summer Fun begins!

Have a super holiday and we look forward to welcoming Acorns and Oaks classes back on Wednesday 5th September and our new Reception children for their first morning of school on Monday 10th September.

Many thanks,

Mel Vincent
Senior Teacher

VACANCY FOR CASUAL HANDYMAN

JOB DESCRIPTION

Croscombe and Stoke St Michael Primary Federation

Personal Requirements

A hard-working, honest, dependable, self-motivated person to act as school handyman.

General

- Upkeep and general care of the school as identified through communication book and agreed with the Headteacher or Office staff in advance.
- Sweep yards, pick up litter and be responsible for the removal of debris from paths, play areas, grassed areas, flowerbeds and all entrances.
- Carrying out minor repairs to property, fixtures, fittings and equipment, which are not beyond the scope of an unskilled handyman.
- Grounds Maintenance

Hours of Work

As agreed in advance with the Headteacher or Office staff.

Equal opportunities

We are committed to achieving equal opportunities in the way we deliver services to the community and in our employment arrangements. We expect all employees to understand and promote this policy in their work.

Health and safety

All employees have a responsibility for their own health and safety and that of others when carrying out their duties and must help us to apply our general statement of health and safety policy.

Safeguarding Commitment

This school is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A satisfactory Criminal Record Bureau check will need to be returned prior to commencement of employment.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed.

Please contact the school office for an application pack

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