



Stoke Hill Federation

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Federation Home Learning

Many thanks to everyone who was able to make a poppy for our entrance hall displays. They looked beautiful, and also gave you and your child the opportunity to talk about the reason we wear poppies and the concept of remembrance.

We will be continuing with the current system of home learning for the rest of this school year. We are asking you to help your child to practise the important skills of reading, spelling and number work. This will look slightly different depending on the age of your child, but the more you read with them, and the more you support them with working on Mathematics or Education City, the better.

This half term's additional home learning task will be sent home next Friday. We will be asking you to make a star to decorate our schools, and we have added some extra star based ideas for extending your child's learning.

We look forward to seeing the results – Stoke Hill children (and their families) are so creative and have such wonderful imaginations.

Dad's Saturday

Whilst we were all enjoying a weekend at home, last Saturday our nursery was open and super full of DADS!

What a special morning it was for our Nursery children.

Dads got to come along and explore alongside their children and to find out just what it is their child likes to do whilst they are at Nursery.

There were lots of precious moments which the children have been talking about this week. We were very proud of the way the children confidently explained 'just how it works at Nursery'!

'Great Saturday play with my son... very appreciative that the Nursery organises this!'

'Daddy's Day is a great idea-thank you for putting it on!'



❖ Teaching is
inspiring



ST PETROCKS

Please pass on our thanks to all at Stoke Hill for the generous donation of food and other items. We are very grateful to you for supporting us in this way and enabling us to provide vital survival services to some of the most isolated and vulnerable people in our community. Thank you again for enabling us to meet some of the challenges we face in helping people who are homeless lead more settled and fulfilling lives.

With kindest regards

Gill Luckings

St Petrocks



With more cold weather expected this weekend parents are urged to sign up to the Devon County school closure email alert. Once registered you will receive an email if the school has been closed due to winter weather.

To sign up click [here](#), then enter your preferred email address and then click on the drop down, ticking the schools you want information on, then submit.

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKDEVONCC/bulletins/1c4ff62>

The service is just one way Devon County Council is keeping the public up to date this winter.

To find the latest information and travel advice from Devon County Council follow twitter [@DevonAlert](#).



Infant and Nursery Christmas Fair next Friday 24th, 5.00 – 6.30pm

Accelerated Reader

We are so pleased with the level of motivation the children are showing towards their reading.

Since we came back to school in September, the children between them have read over 4000 books, and this is making such a difference to their comprehension and love of reading.

This week's top classes are:

3E 4Mc
5J 6B

Words of the Week

Since September we have been working on widening the children's vocabulary by introducing them to a new word every week. The children have been brilliant at using these words in their own writing and conversations.

So far, the words of the week have been:

relinquish, plethora, devour, dwindle, warrior, simultaneously, revenge, impede and smuggle.

How many of these can your child remember and use accurately?

Each week the new word is displayed in the entrance hall, and from Monday, we will be tweeting the word of the week – another reason to follow @StokeFed and keep up with what is happening in our Federation.

Incidentally, my favourite of these words is plethora.

It means a lot to me.

Vocabulary Ninja

'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'

