

2nd November 2018



Start of New Half term Monday 29th October

Last Day of Term Wednesday 19th December (NO STAY & PLAY)

Christmas Holidays Thursday 20th December

Friday 4th January

First Day of Spring Term Monday 7th January

Parents Evenings

Monday 5th—Thursday 8th November

Sapphire & Diamond Class Cross Country Festival

Thursday 8th November Please ensure all children bring a packed lunch, water bottle and their full PE Kit

Children in Need

Friday 16th November Wear Spotty Clothes and bring in £1

Christmas Fair Planning Meeting

Wednesday 14th November in **Diamond Class** All parents are invited to attend this meeting to discuss the **Xmas Fair**

Movie Night

Thursday 29th November

REMEMBER

Book School Meals by 3.30PM ON WEDNESDAYS! Please CLEAR DEBTS AS SOON AS **POSSIBLE**

Children in need

On Friday 16th November we will be celebrating Children in Need along with the rest of the country. The BIG Spotacular will be raising money in order to change young., disadvantage lives across the UK. Children can wear spotty clothes and bring in £1 to support Children in Need. We hope children will support this worthy cause.



Thursday 29th November

5.30pm-7pm

£2.50 per Ticket

Children are invited to our movie night on Thursday 29th November

Come dressed in your PJ's. bring a snuggly blanket and pillow and of course a teddy.

Ticket £2.50

to include Popcorn, Hot Chocolate and S'mores

Ks1 & Ks2 Separate Surprise[•] Movie

great chance for grown ups to squeeze in an extra hour of late night Christmas Shopping!!!

Britain in Bloom Awards 2018



We were proud to win a prize for the 'Greening of Richmond Road'. Thrilled also that Exeter Community Centre won a prize for 'Veg Box Project'.

Well done Kerrie, Mrs Wonnacott and all of the Green Teamers

Greening of Richmond Road—all of the current Year 4's plus Kara, Mrs Perry, Mrs Wonnacott, Leonie (Sophie's mum) and Karen (Zara's mum)

Veg in Boxes—Stephi, Jake, Louis, Zara, Charlie, Holly, Imogen, Tiana, Kara, Ruby G, Isabelle, Anastasia & Mrs Wonnacott

We mustn't forget to mention our previous Year 6 pupils-Jack, Rares, Keegan, Matthew B & Codie. Thank you and Well done!

Ieshia

Ruby Class - have been finding

out about 'people that help us'. We've enjoyed learning about

different jobs, and even got to

dress up and 'go to work'. We also

visited the school library for the first time and shared a story by

our Author of the term, Nick

Emerald Class - have learnt all

about fire safety and have

practised Stop , Drop and Roll! The year 2's were fantastic at the

sports festival and were great

representatives for St David's

Sapphire Class - Oakville is at

risk of becoming over-populated.

Everyone wants to visit to see the

tree and the rare bird that lives

there. Now our planning proposal

has been made to develop the area,

we're not sure if it's the right thing

to do... are we destroying what

Oakville is about? Are we spoiling what makes Oakville special? Ask

Firefighter Dan gave Diamond class a presentation on fire safety.

The children learnt about the role

of a firefighter, how smoke alarms

work, what 'stop, drop and roll'

means, and the dangers of hoax or

On

us for our thoughts...

Diamond Class—

prank calls.

Butterworth.

Primary school.

A huge well done to Ieshia in Ruby class for her achieving a Martial Arts Award

Year 2's Multi Skills Festival

Years 2 thoroughly enjoyed participating in



the Multi Skills Festival held at St Luke's on Thursday. They showed great team work and cooperation. Well done!



TWITTER

Most school events are featured on our twitter fed @StDavidsCofE. Follow us so you don't miss anything exciting!



Friendship

Trust

Respect

Compassion

Justice



Ruby Class

Ieshia—2<u>5</u> Ted-25 Amber-25

Emerald Class Sapphire Class

Eva-25 Kuba-25 Marie—25 Iowa—50 Chloe-25 Zuzanna—25 Oliwia—25 Cole-25

Isaac—25 Ollie—25 Kaitlin-25 Zara—50 Alfie—75

Diamond Class





Writer of the week

Emerald Y2 - Yaman









Star Learners

Ruby	Reception: Jacey — is such a kind and cheerful member of our team. This week she has impressed us with her fantastic sounding out and blending of CVC words. A great effort Jacey. Thank you! Year 1: Theo — because he has been trying so hard to contribute his own ideas during class discussions and carpet activities. He always perseveres and tries his best, even when he finds something tricky. Most importantly he is a lovely, kind and caring friend to have in Ruby class. Well done Theo!
Emerald	Year 2: Yaman — For super writing with fantastic descriptions. Well done Yaman!
Sapphire	Year 3: Ollie — has challenged his maths learning this week. He has been trying really hard since the beginning of the year and he has been doing some excellent investigation with adding and subtracting big numbers. Well done and Thank you Ollie. Year 4: Krzysztof — has come back from half term with an amazing attitude towards learning. He has been very resilient with his work, trying really hard to improve his writing and has impressed everyone with his fantastic contributions about the Oakville development, Well done and thank you Krzysztof!
Diamond	Year 5: Ibrahim — has had a wonderful attitude in maths this week, and his outstanding mental skills has seen him make important contributions to his guided group. Well done Ibrahim Year 6: Jamie — worked extremely hard to improve his writing this term, and his use of inverted commas for direct speech this week has been excellent. Well done Jamie.



Lunch Time Star

Evie B—for always being extremely helpful and polite during lunchtimes.

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This year, at St David's Primary School, we would like to participate in the 'Gift Boxes of Love and Hope' scheme that aims to provide Christmas present boxes for Syrian refugee children in Lesvos.

We are hoping that we can get enough donations from the suggested list of contents for each class to fill <u>one</u> box for a girl and <u>one</u> for a boy.

Each box requires a balance of items in each box which includes:

Arts and Craft Activities

Felt pens, crayons, notebooks, journals, colouring books, art books, stickers etc

Personal care items

Tooth paste, tooth brush, shower gel, wipes, new socks, new underwear, gloves, new pyjamas

Confectionary

vegetarian or Halal candy

biscuits

Toys and games

Wooden puzzle, travel games, skipping rope, lego or similar, small bat & ball, yoyo, small teddy, small doll etc

EACH CLASS WILL BE ALLOCATED THEIR ITEMS

We would be REALLY grateful if you could <u>please bring an item from the highlighted section</u> so that we can add it to the class Christmas box. We would like the children to understand that we are sharing our love at Christmas time and sharing in their hope for a better future.

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals. However, parents are encouraged to apply for free school meals when they enrol their child in school, as this can help their child's school to attract additional 'Pupil Premium' funding to support learning.

Please register if you are eligible, even if your child does not want a school dinner.

Children with Pupil Premium funding are eligible for subsidies for certain trips/visits and residential.

If you receive any of the following benefits you may be eligible:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit.

Children who receive any of the above benefits in their own right (i.e. they get benefits payments directly, instead of through a parent or guardian) can also get free school meals.

How to apply: Use the online application form at https://

new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/schoolinformation/school-meals which you can email to freeschoolmeals@devon.gov.uk or print out and post to FSM Team, Room L102, County Hall, Exeter EX2 4QD.

Alternatively, a paper copy of the form can be collected from the school office.

Parents and carers can also ring the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

As always, if you have any worries or concerns then class teachers are always happy to help, just pop in for a chat. Alternatively I am at the front of the school most mornings, so just have a chat or share good news with me about you and your family. For more confidential matters, please speak to Sara or Jackie in the office to make an appointment.

School Meals and Packed Lunches

At St David's our school meals meet the Educational Nutritional Standards and Requirements for School Food (Department for Education legislation) and we also promote healthy eating at other times in the school day. However, we have increasingly found that some children's packed lunches include considerable amounts of salty and sugary items and very few items with any significant nutritional value. For this reason, we are having a strong focus on healthy food and would appreciate your support in ensuring that packed lunches contain a balance of foods and also include fruit and vegetables.

A child's packed lunch should include:

- A portion of starchy food e.g. bap/bread, plain crackers, pasta or rice salad
- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- A portion of milk or dairy food, e.g. cheese, plain/fruit yoghurt
- Portion of lean meat, fish or alternative, e.g. Quorn, cheese, tuna, egg
- A drink: fruit juice (not fizzy or energy drinks), plain water and or milk

Savoury crackers or breadsticks – occasionally crisps A child's school packed lunch must not contain any of the following:

- Salted or flavoured nuts (Instead, include nuts, seeds, vegetables and fruit with no added salt, sugar or fat savoury crackers or breadsticks occasionally crisps.)
- Confectionery such as chocolate bars, and sweets.
 Fizzy or sugary drinks. Water is always available for children at lunchtime

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GENERAL NOTICES AND REMINDERS

Stay and Play Bookings

We are experiencing a lot of late bookings and late cancellations. As places are very limited, please ensure you give the office as much notice as possible if your child requires a place at Stay and Play. Whilst we appreciate late cancellation can sometimes not be avoided, please try and give us at least 24 hours notice as this will free up a

Administration of Medicines in School A reminder that we can only accept PRESCRIBED medication that is in-date, labelled, provided in the original container as dispensed by a pharmacist and includes instructions for administration, dosage & storage. A parental agreement must also be completed. No over the counter medicines (non-prescribed) will be accepted. We will of course endeavour to administrate medicines at the required times, although this cannot always be guaranteed.

Book School Meals by 3.30PM ON WEDNESDAYS!

All meals to be ordered using Lunch Time drop down!!

PLEASE CLEAR YOUR DEBTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Packed Lunches

A reminder that no sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks are included in lunch boxes.

Absences

Could all absences please be reported to the school office before 9am. If the school has not been informed, your child will be marked as having an unauthorised absence. Please

also ensure you phone each day your child is absent.

Please either telephone 01392 255569 or email stdavids@ventrus.org.uk NB St David's have a strict 48 hour



Mobile/Internet Safety

As your children become more and more reliant on the Internet for both school work and entertainment, we must all, as a community, be more aware for the need to monitor the sites your child visits. In school, through classroom activities and discussion, we highlight positive uses of technology, but also ways in which we can all keep safe through responsible use of the internet, our mobile phones and social media (e.g. WhatsApp, Snapchat Instagram etc...). At home you can ensure the security systems on your computers, tablets and mobiles are up to date and also, please talk to your child about the dangers of accessing unfamiliar sites, or giving parents' e-mail/SC/Insta etc... details to strangers.



All children should be in class & seated ready for registration before 9am. We are required to record anyone arriving after 9am AS LATE

THE RAMP DOOR WILL BE LOCKED AT 9AM SHARP.

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