

# Friday Flyer



## Term Dates

### Last Day of Term

Friday 15th February

### February Half Term

Monday 18th Feb

Friday 22nd Feb

### Start of Spring Term 2

Monday 25th February

### Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April

Monday 22nd April

### Start of Summer Term 1

Tuesday 23rd April

## Diary Dates

### Parent Consultation Evenings

w/c 4th March

Details to follow

## After School Activities

### KS2 Gymnastics

Mondays 14th Jan-25th March

(Club Full)

### smART Club

Wednesday

Recommended for Years 1-3

Please enquire in the office regarding availability

### KS1 Tennis

Fridays 18th Jan-29th March

(Club Full)

### Saints Sports Club

Tuesdays from 15th January

Please register on line

<https://www.saintssouthwest.co.uk/all-courses/afterschool-club/>  
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### TWITTER

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

ParentPay

### REMEMBER

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

The NSPCC came in to school and shared a 'Speak out Stay Safe' session to all our classes. It will help equip us with the knowledge and understanding we need to stay safe from abuse and neglect. We were taught to speak out if we are worried and we explored who we should speak to and how to contact someone who could help us.



## What have we been doing this week?...

**Ruby Class** — have decided on jobs and Pirate names for all of the crew. We've even learned a song to sing as we set sail on our next adventure. YomHo Ho!

**Emerald Class**— have been exploring their new pirate roles through drama and improvisation. Our crew have also been learning about different parts of a ship and how they were used. Emerald explorers are now preparing for their first adventure...

**Sapphire Class** — The Sapphire Sea-cret is ready for voyage. However, what will happen if during their adventures.... the crew gets in a battle and someone gets hurt? The cautious pirates had to learn all about the human body, the names of the different bones and major organs to make sure they could help in case of emergency.

**Diamond Class**— class have researched seven of the most infamous pirates and created factfiles on each of them, highlighting their strengths, weaknesses and greatest achievements. Let's see if our pirate ship 'Diamond Destiny' meets any of these fearsome characters later this term!

On Wednesday morning Anne-Marie from Ice delivered our Collective Worship. Telling the story of a blind beggar named Bartimaeus who is healed by Jesus (Mark 10:46-52), Anne-Marie was helped by several volunteers from all four classes.



## Sciencedipity Sunday Science Club - Colourful Chemistry

2 hours hands-on fun & learning January 20th, 1-3 at Exeter Library

- investigate acids & bases
- make an elephant's toothpaste
- create rainbow density column
- put together bath bombs & perfume

Booking is essential - <https://sciencedipity.co.uk/exeter-science-workshops> or call/text 07847006048

Suitable for all primary school-aged children, drop off workshop (but adults are welcome to stay)  
Under 5s are welcome but must be accompanied by their grown-up.

Please ensure the gate is closed when entering or leaving the playground.

### Consideration Requested

We have had several reports of parents driving without care and consideration during school pick up. Can we please remind you to drive with caution around the school area.

We also request that you have consideration for the local residents when you are parking so that you do not obstruct their access.

Please check the Notice Board in the playground for important information.

our Christian Values

Forgiveness

Friendship

Trust

Respect

Compassion

Justice

# STAR AWARDS

## Reading Certificates

Ruby Class	Emerald Class	Sapphire Class	Diamond Class	
Bano—50 Ted—100	Oliwier—25 Nadia—25 Oscar—25 Antonina—25 Kuba—75 Kaddy—75 Samuel—75 Iowa—100	Phoebe—25 Kaiya—25 Riley—25 Jacob—25 & 50 Olivia—50 Zara—100 Jack—125	Clara—100 Evie—100 Jessica—110 Verity—110 Mary—110 Cayla—110 Charlie—110 Grace H—120 Sara—120 Kara—130 Melody—140 Isabelle—150	Kayleigh—160 Grace W—160 Noor—160 Ruby T-M—230 Zuzia—230



**Writer of the week**

 <p><b>Ruby</b> Reception—Callum Y1—Hollie</p>	 <p><b>Emerald</b> Y2—Ralph</p>
 <p><b>Sapphire</b> Y3—Olivia Y4—Tiana</p>	 <p><b>Diamond</b> Y5—Kara Y6—Jamie</p>

## Star Learners

<b>Ruby</b>	<p><b>Reception: Oly</b> — because during our learning talks this week has shown real enthusiasm. He has also demonstrated excellent listening skills during story time and has been finding rhyming words everywhere! Well done Oly!</p>
<b>Emerald</b>	<p><b>Year 1: Marcus</b> — for settling into Emerald class so well! It has been fantastic to see Marcus build his independence when completing learning tasks. He is enthusiastic about his learning and is always trying his best. Well Done Marcus!</p> <p><b>Year 2: Kuba</b> — has shown a great enthusiastic attitude towards his learning this week. He has been able to confidently participate in class discussions and sharing his own creative ideas. Kuba has also completed some tricky `deepen it` challenges in maths with little adult support. Well Done Kuba!</p>
<b>Sapphire</b>	<p><b>Year 3: Kailin</b> — has shown amazing progress in her writing. She has been thinking about expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and fronted adverbials. She has also been using her author voice and humour in more pieces of work that she carefully edits and improves. Well done and Thank you.</p> <p><b>Year 4: Szymon</b> — has been very resilient with his Maths this week. He has been trying really hard to column multiplication and he has been practising on his own to feel more secure. Moreover, when he found a difficulty he was open to help and he has been completing all the tasks. Well done and Thank you.</p>
<b>Diamond</b>	<p><b>Year 5: Kara</b> — has made a huge effort to improve her spelling, punctuation and grammar this week and should be extremely proud of herself. Well done Kara!</p> <p><b>Year 6: Harley</b> — has researched and created four excellent pirate fact files, and his artwork and presentation have been outstanding. Well done Harley!</p>



### Lunch Time Star

**Ieshia**—for being extremely helpful with getting out the play equipment at lunchtimes.

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### **FREE COURSES FOR ADULTS**

Are you learning English as an additional Language?

- English for speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

FREE Courses running in Exeter at The Olive Tree  
(St Sidwell's Centre)

Tuesday 6-7pm: Intermediate  
Wednesday 10-12 noon: Lower Intermediate  
Thursday 6:30-8 pm: Upper Intermediate  
Friday 10-12 noon: Beginners  
Friday 10-12 noon: Advanced

For more details contact : 01392 666 222 or contact Paul Vass:  
[paul.olivetree@stsidwells.org.uk](mailto:paul.olivetree@stsidwells.org.uk)

### **Internet Safety**

#### **Musical.ly has a new name - TikTok**

The social network app Musical.ly has often given cause for concern, because of the way that children use it to generate and share their own short videos and lip sync to popular audio clips. The app has a new name and new features, and now includes live streaming. Although the app has an age-limit of 13 years old, in practice there will be younger children using it, and the content may not be suitable.

Profiles on TikTok are automatically set to public, so that any content you post can be seen by anyone within the app. There is also a Restricted Mode which can help to filter out inappropriate content and prevent the user from being able to start their own live streams.

You can find out more here: [TikTok](#)

#### **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 [freeshoolmeals@devon.gov.uk](mailto:freeshoolmeals@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 place.

## 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](mailto:stdavids@ventrus.org.uk)  
NB St David's have a strict 48 hour

## 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.

## 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.

## **REMEMBER**

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.

## THE SCHOOL DAY

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.**

