

5th October 2018

Ruby Class - Visited St Michaels

Church as part of their learning and understanding on Christianity. They

met with Rev Nigel Guthrie who told

them a little about the history of the

Emerald Class - have been thinking

about how to keep safe when using

the internet. The children made

Sapphire Class - The tree's 1000

celebration is near! Mrs Abigail

posters with their own top-tips!

church of St Michaels.



Non-Pupil Day Friday 19th October

Half Term

Monday 22nd October -Friday 26th October

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

Diary Dates

Autumn Disco Thursday 11th October

KS1 3.45-4.45 KS2 5.00-6.00

Harvest Festival

Thursday 18th October at 9.15am St Michael's Church

Go yellow for #HelloYellow

On 10th October (next Wednesday) thousands of people across the country will wear something yellow to raise awareness of mental health. If children would like to participate in this event they can wear something yellow, whether it's a t-shirt, scarf, hat, ribbons or bow tie. Each class will also participate in some events that will help support the development of positive wellbeing and self esteem.

Autumn Disco

Thursday 11th October

KS1 3:45-4:45 K\$2 5:00-6:00

£2 entry fee (to include popcorn & a drink)

There will be Sweets and Glow Sticks available to buy so please bring some change.

On Thursday 11th November Emerald class will be going on a science walk to Bury Meadows park. During the walk we will be looking for signs of Autumn and recording tree observations.

Emerald Class

Jones, Mr George Parker, Zoe, Jimmy and some other friends have decided to create an ad, informing everyone about all the fun things they can find at the fair (BBQ! Bouncy castle!) but also all the things they should be careful of (Littering! Climbing the tree!). Diamond Class— On Wed this week, Diamond class thoroughly enjoyed Theatre Alibi's performance of 'Table Mates'. Having discussed

moments were.

as a class what made the show so

enjoyable and funny, the children have each written a letter to the

actors and musicians thanking them

and highlighting what their favourite

Please return your orders to the office by Wednesday 17th October

Tempest School Photos

Scholastic Book Club

Please return your orders to the office by TUESDAY 9th **OCTOBER**

Wedding Bells

We are delighted to inform you that this Saturday Miss Bishop is getting married. We have everything crossed for a sunny day but regardless, there is no doubt that the day will be perfect and Becky will be a beautiful bride we look forward to sharing some pictures with you!

I am sure you will join with me in wishing Becky and Mike lots of happiness for the future in their shared lives together. When Becky returns to school next week she will be 'Mrs Gibson' - and we will all try really hard to remember that.

MacMillan Coffee and Cakes

To all of you who contributed in any way to our MacMillan coffee and cakes event last Friday afternoon either by providing cakes or purchasing them back (!) - you've done something truly amazing. Together we raised £150, this will help people living with cancer live life as fully as they can.

Thank you for helping us to help others

The winners of the amazing chocolate cake was the Sealey Family (Ralph) they assure us that it tasted as good as it looked!

Book School Meals by

3.30PM ON VEDNESDAYS!

REMEMBER

Please CLEAR DEBTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Our Christian Values Forgiveness

Friendship

Trust

Justice

Respect

Compassion

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<u>Reading Certificates</u>

Ruby Class Marcus-25 Emerald Class Sapphire Class Diamond Class

Zara-25

Samuel-25

Iowa-25 Isabella-25

Nina-25

Grace W-30

Mary-20 Sara-30





Writer

Emerald Y1 - Kaddy









Star Learners

Ruby	Reception: Ellie — because she is such a kind and cheerful member of the class, who always comes to school with a big, bright smile. This week she has been trying very hard to be helpful at tidy up time. Thank you Ellie.
Emerald	Year 1: Marie — because she always gives everything a go and always tries to do her learning independently. Well done Marie! Year 2: Yaman — because he has been very focused this week when doing his learning during class discussions and at the tables. Well done Yaman!
Sapphire	Year 3: Arran — has been a delight in and out of the classroom. His curious nature has been evidenced in every lesson, with each contribution to our class discussions. He has also been very resilient with his learning and his progress is shown in every piece of work. Well done and thank you Arran! Year 4: Zara — is a great role model and an independent learner. She has been modelling correct behaviours and the right attitudes towards all areas of learning. She has also been a helpful friend and an amazing problem-solver. Well done and Thank you Zara!
Diamond	Year 5: Sky McJohnson — Sky has worked incredibly hard during her time at St David's and her behaviour and attitude has been consistently excellent. Good luck at your new school, Sky - we will miss you! Year 6: Cayla —has improved her writing this week by making more accurate use of a range of punctuation and vocabulary. Well done and thank you Cayla!



Lunch Time Star

Chloe M —for being very helpful and kind during lunch time.

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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 andAsylum 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



Donate this Harvest and help feed someone in crisis in your local community.

Full details will be displayed on the notice board in the playground.



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.

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.

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.

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.



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