



22nd March 2019

Friday Flyer

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



Term Dates

Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April

Monday 22nd April

Start of Summer Term 1

Tuesday 23rd April

Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 6th May

Half Term

Mon 27th May—Tues 4th June

Diary Dates

Easter Service & Raffle

Thursday 4th April 2019
St Michael's Church @ 9.15

Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 4th April 2019
Tickets will go on sale on
Monday 1st April

Wildside Residential

Years 3 & 4
27th—28th June

After School Activities

KS2 Gymnastics

Mondays 14th Jan-25th March
(Club Full)

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!

REMEMBER

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

ParentPay

Easter Service, Easter Raffle and Easter Egg Hunt

On **Thursday 4th April** at **9.15am**

Parents, family and friends are invited to St Michaels Church for our Easter Service.

Sapphire class will be presenting the story of 'The Three Trees' and will be accompanied by singing from the children in Ruby, Emerald and Diamond Class.
Please Come and Join us!

Tickets for the Easter Raffle will be available from Monday 1st April from the school office
20p per ticket/ £1 per strip

The Easter Egg Hunt will take place (weather permitting) on the afternoon of 4th April. Tickets for the Easter Egg Hunt will also be available from Monday 1st April, from the school office
£2 per child

All children competing will win a bag of Easter goodies, there will also be a prize for the child who collects the most eggs in each year group.

Diamond Class Brass Concert

On Friday 5th April at 2:45pm in the school hall, Diamond class will be performing a short brass concert to showcase all that they have learnt with their instructor, Andy Stark, this term. Parents and friends of the school are invited, and there will be the opportunity to make a donation to our PTFA fundraising for those who wish to do so.

BAGS for HELP

Please return your filled BAGS for HELP to the school on Monday 25th March as collection is being made on Tuesday 26th March.

Yes Please

Clothing
Paired Shoes
Hats
Belts
Handbags
Costume Jewellery
SOFT toys
Unused toiletries
Mobile Phones
DVDs

No Thank You

Duvets
Pillows
Curtains
Hard toys (eg puzzles, plastic or wooden items)

Ruby Class — have been enjoying listening to, and acting out the story 'we're going on a bear hunt'. They have been busy building their own version of Turtle Island in the classroom. They have created some beautiful clay turtles to live on the island and have also planned a treasure hunt— SO BUSY!

Emerald Class have written captain log books for Emerald Explorer. In science they have been observing changes as their sunflower seeds are growing and have also been looking out for signs of spring!

Sapphire Class - Children from Year 3 & 4 attended a Wellbeing day at St Luke's School, where they participated in Yoga, dance class and an interactive computer session. The children really enjoyed the day saying 'it was great fun but very tiring!'

Diamond Class— the children have begun work on an epic, three chapter pirate tale of rescue, danger and intrigue, making excellent use of a thesaurus to find more ambitious vocabulary too. They have also investigated the major regions, cities and towns in South America, as this is where the legendary 'Commodore Cutter' is said to be being held. Will they succeed in their mission? We will find out soon!

our Christian Values

Respect

Forgiveness

Compassion

Friendship

Justice

Trust

STAR AWARDS

Reading Certificates



Ruby Class	Emerald Class	Sapphire Class	Misho-Diamond Class
Imogen—25 Ted—150	Hollie—50 Taseen—50 Katie—75 Isabella—100 Kuba—100 Nina—150 & 175	Olivia—75 & 100 Oliwia—75 Annie—75	Jake—120 Harley—140 Charlie—150 Clara—160 Sara—190 Jessica—200 Grace H—200 Kayleigh—240 Isabelle—240 Noor—250 Kara—280 Grace W—280 Ruby T—M—360 Zuzia—360



Writer of the week

 <p>Ruby Reception— William</p>	 <p>Emerald Y1— Nina Y2— Tosia</p>
 <p>Sapphire Y3— Phoebe Jackson Y4— Imogen Knight</p>	 <p>Diamond Y5— Jessica Y6— Jackie</p>

Star Learners

Ruby	<p>Reception: Ghaliyh — because she is such a kind and caring member of our class. She enjoys problems solving and writing activities and proudly shares her learning with friends and teachers. She always tries her best in everything she does and is becoming a resilient learner.</p> <p>Thank you Ghaliyh.</p>
Emerald	<p>Year 1: Marcus — because he has completed some great independent pieces of writing this week. Marcus has written a fantastic Captain's Log with great punctuation and fingers spaces. Marcus has also carefully added illustrations to his work. Well done Marcus!</p> <p>Year 2: Oscar — because he has been an amazing independent learner! Oscar has completed learning challenges with brilliant enthusiasm and has worked really hard. Oscar has been really proud of his achievements this week and we are so proud of him too. Brilliant work Oscar!</p>
Sapphire	<p>Year 3: Malaika — it has been a joy to see Malaika grow so much in confidence in recent weeks. Her ideas are thoughtful and creative. We all love the idea of a 'mindful corner' Well done and Thank you.</p> <p>Year 4: Annie — is an incredibly harder worker. She takes pride in everything she does, showing great responsibility towards her learning. Her funny and cheeky sense of humour brightens our day. Well done and Thank you.</p>
Diamond	<p>Year 5: Louis — Louis' hard work during our introduction to finding percentages has been fantastic to see this week, and he has really excelled in this area of maths. Well done and thank Louis!</p> <p>Year 6: Jackie — has worked tirelessly this week on her latest extended write, endlessly polishing it until she is satisfied with her use of ambitious vocabulary and punctuation. Well done and thank you Jackie!</p>



Lunch Time Star

Cayla — for always being extremely helpful and kind both in the dinning hall and in the playground. What a great role model!

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It has been brought to our attention that some of our children in school are aware of, and have been talking about videos and communications relating to a social media and internet challenge called "Momo Challenge". This challenge is very worrying as it shows an image designed to frighten children and uses media such as What's App to send messages encouraging children to become involved in harmful behaviours.

It has been evidenced nationally that discussing the challenge directly with young children has actually resulted in a spike of children then attempting to access information on the challenge, we are therefore requesting that parents are aware themselves of the risks and are vigilant of what their children are accessing when using IT at home.

Please be clear with your children what they should do if something scary or inappropriate appears on their screen and how important it is not to click on unknown links and to always inform an adult if they are at all worried by anything they see online.

We encourage parents and carers to look through the information on the National Online Safety website for further information regarding the "Momo Challenge"; See link below:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/momo-online-safety-guide-for-parents/>

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](https://www.tiktok.com/)

Ever Thought of Becoming a Primary School Teacher?

The opportunity is possible through the teacher training route called 'School Direct' led by Exeter Consortium. For more information contact Dawn Chapman at dawn@exeterconsortium.com or on 01392 92717.1 or visit www.exeterconsortium.com

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 place.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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 either telephone 01392 255569 or email stdavids@ventrus.org.uk

NB St David's have a strict 48 hour isolation period if your child has suffered from sickness and/or diarrhoea. Please ensure you keep them home for 48 hours after their last bout of sickness.

Administration of Medicines in School

A reminder that we can only accept medication that is in-date, labelled, provided in the original container and as dispensed by a pharmacist and includes instructions for administration, dosage & storage. A parental agreement must also be completed. We will endeavour to administer 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.

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

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Playground Security

Please ensure the front playground gate is closed after you enter or leave the playground.

Many thanks.

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.**

Packed Lunches

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

