

Dear Parents & Children,

I have genuinely loved my time at St David's Primary School, and am very proud to have been your Head teacher for almost 15 years.

When I was appointed in 2008 I never imagined I would stay for so long, but St David's genuinely has become such a huge part of my life. I have been very fortunate to have a job that I love, not a day goes past when I do not get to see the talents, skills and enthusiasm of pupils in some way or another. It is watching young people grow and develop, achieving their potential, realising their ambitions, becoming responsible learners that drives every teacher; it has been a great pleasure to contribute to making this happen for so many children at St David's.

St David's is a really special school; this is because of the pupils, parents and staff who make up our community. I would like to thank you for all the support I have had over the years. The time I have spent at St David's and the memories I have of my time here will always have a special place in my heart. As I reflect on the past 14+ years, I know that the pupils have always been at the centre of every decision we make – I have been fortunate to have a really strong and committed staff team who work so hard to do the very best for all our pupils – they are a huge part of the school's success and I owe them a debt of gratitude. I know they will continue to work with dedication and professionalism under the leadership of the new Head teacher, Ali Bourne.

Leaving a job you love is always hard, but I was offered the opportunity to take on a strategic role within our Multi-Academy Trust (VENTRUS); shaping the leadership of Safeguarding and Special Educational Needs across our sixteen schools – this is an area of education that I feel passionately about, and the chance to take up such a critical role was too good to pass up. Whilst I am sad to be leaving, I will still be working within the Trust, and knowing that I will have the opportunity to come back in the course of my work will make the move much easier.

I thought for a long time about what to buy as a gift for you all – something that everyone would benefit from each and every day, and in the end decided that what we have needed, is an outdoor clock that can be seen by everyone as they arrive at school ready for the day ahead. It will be placed on the front wall of the school overlooking the playground and aside from the obvious, it will also be a reminder that we should make the most of each and every day – time is precious and spending it with people you care about is so important.

Thank you for everything, Best Wishes,

Fran Brinicombe

Summer Term Friday 22nd July 2022



Term Dates

Start of the New Academic Year Y1—Y6Tues6th September New Reception Intake -Thurs 8th September



We would like to say a **HUGE** 'Good bye' to all our lovely Year 6 leavers, they are a fabulous group of children who have all been AMAZING in every way. They have new and exciting challenges that lie ahead at their

chosen secondary schools and we know that they will do us proud in every way. Jack, Laura, Hamza, Phoebe Jackson, Phoebe Johnson, Alfred, Kaiya, Chloe, Alan, Kaitlin, Cole, Zuzanna, Ollie, Celeste, Jake

In addition we have a few other leavers who will be embarking on new adventures in other schools whether overseas or closer to home. We wish them ALL lots of luck in their new schools.

STAR LEARNERS

Ruby Class **EYFS—Agatha A** for overcoming all challenges this year. All adults have been blown away by Aggie's progress. She is a polite, kind girl and has been an absolute asset to our class. Thank you, Aggie! We are so lucky to have you.

Maisie for being Miss Bassett's little superstar this year. Maisie has made so much progress, especially in her reading and writing. Thank you, Maisie, for all your efforts and special smiles. We are so proud of you!

Reading certificates: 50 Reads: Teertha Sri 150 Reads: Agatha C 300 Reads: Kit

Emerald Class **Year 1: Oscar** has amazed the grown ups with his amazing story writing this week. He has written a short story independently with wonderful presentation and punctuation. Well done Oscar and thank you!

Year 2— Fares has been an absolute super star this year. He has had a fabulous last week in Emerald Class. The adults have been so impressed with his fun story telling this week through role play and writing. Well done Fares, what an amazing way to end your last week in Emerald Class!!

Reading certificates: J125 Reads: Jason 275 Reads: Ella

Sapphire Class

Year 3— Jacey is an amazing member of Sapphire class. She has been chosen by her peers for being a true role model. She is caring, responsible, creative and an extremely hard worker. Well done Jacey and thank you!

Year 4—Mayar has been chosen by her peers for being a fantastic role model and member of Sapphire Class. She has a very caring nature. She is very hardworking and creative! Well done Mayar and thank you!

Reading certificates: 250 Reads: Nina 👤 275 Reads: Charlie C 📉 300 Reads: Eva, Kaddy, Caleb, Mayar 🛮 325 Reads: Mayar & Manisha

Diamond Class

Year 5—Ralph has had a superb Year 5 and should be very proud of his achievements. Well done and thank you Ralph!

Year 6—Kaiya gave a wonderful performance in our show on Friday night and should be very proud of herself! Well done and thank you Kaiya!

Reading certificates: 100 Reads: Zuzanna 175 Reads: Kaiya & Kaitlin 200 Reads: Ollie T

School Meal Bookings

Please ensure all school meals are booked via <u>ParentPay</u> By 3.30pm on the Wednesday before. September Stay and Play 3.20-5.15pm

Form for September will be sent out during the last week of August

Please ensure all Stay and Play accounts are settled before the end of this term. We will be unable to honour Stay and Play bookings in September if balances are not cleared. Messages from the Church

We now have a designated page on our website giving the latest news and messages from our churches, St Michael's and St David's MESSAGES FROM THE CHURCHES LINK

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