



**Diary Dates:**

- **January**
- Weds 4th—First day of term
- **February**
- Friday 10th—Last day of term
- 13th -17th—HALF TERM
- **March**
- Fri 31st—Last day of term
- **April**
- 3rd—18th—Easter Holiday

**Reminder**

If you haven't already done so, please check and amend your contact information on the data collection sheets that the children brought home last Friday.

If nothing has changed, there is no need to return the sheet.

It is vital that we have up to date information so that we can contact you if necessary.

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If you have not ordered School Lunches for the first week of term (Weds 4th -Fri 6th Jan) you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch. WE WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO PROVIDE A COOKED MEAL UNLESS IT HAS BEEN BOOKED IN ADVANCE.

# Friday Flyer

16th December 2016

## It's Christmas.....

### **End of Term Message from Mrs Brinicombe**

**We have enjoyed a very festive end of term, with the many events that make this time of year so special. The pupils have enjoyed their Christmas lunches where crackers have been pulled, hats donned and jokes told! The whole School entertained parents and guests with 'Carols around the tree.' The pupils and staff have worn their finest Christmas jumpers all week and we are now all ready to enjoy the Christmas with our family and friends. We have had an amazing term, the children have been brilliant and we are very proud of each and every one of them. I wish you all a**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.**



### **THANK YOU**

A HUGE 'thank you' to everyone who helped with the Christmas Fayre on Friday. There was plenty of festive food and fun for everyone and the children particularly enjoyed visiting Father Christmas.

Over £750 was raised on the evening – which is absolutely fantastic! PTFA funds are used to enrich and enhance the experiences that the school is able to offer to support and develop the learning of the children.

### **Staffing Update**

I would like to say a HUGE 'Thank you' to Mrs Wilkins who has covered Mrs Ware's absence in Ruby Class this term, she has done an amazing job of stepping in and quickly building relationships, creating a secure learning environment and inspiring and developing creative minds!

Sadly for us (but not surprisingly) Mrs Wilkins has secured a permanent position at a school in Tiverton and will be starting there in January. We would like to wish her well - she will be sadly missed! Mrs Ware has informed me that she will not be well enough to return to school in January, we wish her well and hope that she makes a speedy recovery and is back with us soon.

In the absence of a key member of staff we strive to ensure as much stability as possible for the class involved and therefore I have planned ahead as far as possible. We have been fortunate to find a very experienced Early Years teacher who will be with us in the Spring term - Miss Edwards comes to us highly recommended! She has spent two days this week in Ruby class alongside the staff team in order to get to know the children and has today worked with Mrs Wilkins to plan exciting learning opportunities that will extend the children's learning in the new year.



### Playground Star

Evie—Evie always helps to look after the younger children at lunchtime. Thank you Evie!



### Reading Certificates

Congratulations to Riley R in Emerald who has read 25 times.

The following children have read 50 times at home and in school.  
Emerald—Arran, Jacob & Krzysztof



## Star Awards



<b>Ruby Class</b>	<b>Kuba</b> – Kuba is a pleasure to have in the class. He is friendly and kind to all the children and staff in Ruby Class. Kuba is always helping others and is fantastic at tidy up time. He joins in with all learning activities and always tries his best. Well done Kuba!
<b>Emerald Class</b>	<b>Holly</b> – Holly has been so brave over the last few weeks, remaining focused at school. She is a resilient learner and has had fantastic reading sessions. Well done Holly!
<b>Sapphire Class</b>	<b>Jamie</b> – Jamie has been working very hard in Sapphire class. It is lovely to see Jamie taking responsibility for his own actions and learning. He is responsible for his own actions and learning. He is listening well in class and is working more independently. Well done Jamie.  <b>Angel</b> – Angel is a delight to have in Sapphire class. She is hard working, funny and always willing to lend a hand. She takes responsibility in her learning and enjoys challenging herself. Well done and Thank you Angel.
<b>Diamond Class</b>	<b>Year 5: Matthew Bright</b> —Matthew has shown an amazing sense of fun and brilliant attitude this term. He has worked very hard, has always been very keen to learn new skills and fully deserves his Christmas holiday! Well done and Thank you Matthew!  <b>Year 6: Dylan H</b> – Dylan has put a fantastic effort into his writing in recent weeks. His handwriting is much improved and he has used inverted commas to punctuate his story dialogue very effectively. Well done and thank you Dylan!

### Beauty & the Beast

Emerald class had a fantastic time at the pantomime on Thursday afternoon—oh yes they did!!!

They were wonderful audience members sat in the front row seats—joining in, singing along and giving loud cheers and thunderous applause to the characters. They were a true credit to St. David's—well done Emerald team



**Rev. Honey invites you all to join him at St David's Church for Christingle @ 4pm on Christmas Eve. There will also be a carol service on Sunday 18th at 6pm.**

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