

# Friday Flyer

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

## Children in need—Friday 16th November

### REMINDER

Wear something SPOTTY to school next Friday..... Just bring in your £1 to support Children in Need.

The BIG Spotacular event will be raising money in order to change young, disadvantage lives across the UK. We hope children will support this worthy cause.

Thank you!

**Ruby Class** - have been learning more about the celebration of Diwali. They've enjoyed making Diwali biscuits and have started making Diva lamps using modelling clay.

**Emerald Class** - had their cinema trip to watch Early Man. The children really enjoyed the story plot and laughed the whole way through. When they returned to school they wrote their own film reviews. Highly recommended film!

**Sapphire Class** - After a terrible storm one dark night, the tree has sadly been damaged. Oakville town have gathered in the town hall to decide what to do. Is it safe? Should it be chopped down? Can it be saved? Jimmy and Zoe Spencer really don't know what to think or do...

**Diamond Class**— This week, in preparation for Remembrance day, Diamond have begun to look at the history of World War 1 and how it began. The children have studied poems using rhyme, and also descriptive poetry to help them craft their own poems about the war and those who lost their lives.

## Term Dates

**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

**Sapphire Class Cinema Trip**  
Wednesday 13th November  
Hotel Transylvania 3 at the Vue

**Children in Need**  
Friday 16th November  
Wear something spotty and bring in £1

**Christmas Fair Planning Meeting**  
Wednesday 14th November

**Movie Night**  
Thursday 29th November

**Christmas Jumper Day**  
Friday 30th November

This Sunday, 11th November, marks 100 years since the Armistice was signed in November 1918, beginning an end to the First World War.



Every child made their own poppy which has been used to create the stunning cascading river of poppies which can be seen in our foyer!



## Christmas Fair Parents Meeting

**There are only 45 days til Christmas!**

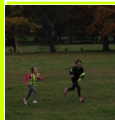
We are starting to plan our Christmas Fair and we need your help! This year the first planning meeting will take place in classes with the aim that each class decides on 4 or 5 stalls that they will help to organise, set up and run. Please, please, please can you spare some time on Wednesday 14th November to meet with other parents and staff from your child's class to help begin this process.

- ◆ Ruby Class - 3.15pm in the KS1 Lobby
- ◆ Emerald Class - 9.00am in the KS1 Lobby
- ◆ Sapphire Class - 9.00am in the Library
- ◆ Diamond Class - 3.15pm in the Library

## KS2 Cross Country Festival

A huge well done to all of the KS2 children who took part in the Cross Country Festival held at Killerton on Thursday. Each and everyone of them gave 110% and did St David's proud. There were nearly 200 children running in each category—

Year 3&4 Girls, Year 3&4 Boys, Year 5&6 Girls and Year 5&6 Boys. Particularly well done to Ruby T-M who came 16th and Zuzia who came 22nd in the whole of the Year 5/6 Girls and also to Tiana, Phoebe Johnson, Imogen, Laura M and Stephi, Krzysztof, Riley, Sara, Clara & Harley who also ranked highly in their categories.



**Thursday 29th November**  
**5.30pm-7pm**

**Children are invited to our movie night on Thursday 29th November**

**Come dressed in your PJ's, bring a snugly blanket and pillow and of course a teddy.**

**Ticket £2.50**

**to Include Popcorn, Hot Chocolate and S'mores**

**Ks1 & Ks2 Separate 'Surprise' Movie**

**A great chance for grown ups to squeeze in an extra hour of late night Christmas Shopping!!!**

*Thank you to all of the parents, family & friends who give up their time to help with events and trips. Without your help, these activities will not be able to take place. Your time and help is greatly appreciated. Many thanks*

## 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

Our Christian Values

Forgiveness

Friendship

Trust

Respect

Compassion

Justice



# STAR AWARDS



## Reading Certificates

### Ruby Class

William—25  
Oliver—25

### Emerald Class

Noah—25  
Romany—25  
Kayden—50  
Samuel—50

### Sapphire Class

Jack—25 & 50  
Jake—50  
Alfred—75

### Diamond Class

Louis—30  
Clara—40  
Harley—40  
Verity—40  
Ibrahim—40  
Grace H—50  
Kara—50  
Jessica—50  
Evie—50  
Ruby G—50  
Cayla—50  
Jackie—60  
Isabelle—60  
Lacey—70  
Kayleigh—80  
Noor—80  
Zuzia—90  
Ruby T-M—90

### Ruby

Rec—Ellie

## Writer

## of the week

### Emerald

Y1—Eva  
Y2—Samuel

### Sapphire

Y3—Jake  
Y4—Olivia

### Diamond

Y5—Clara  
Y6—Jackie

## Star Learners

Ruby	<b>Reception: Ghaliyh</b> — is such a kind and caring member of our team. This week she has impressed us with her fantastic adding skills in maths. She has really persevered and was even able to record some number sentences. Well done Ghaliyh!
Emerald	<b>Year 1: Nina</b> — because she is always a friendly and helpful member of the Emerald team and this week particularly has worked incredibly hard on creating some fabulous independent writing. Well done Nina! <b>Year 2: Nadia</b> — because she is always a happy and friendly member of Emerald and tries really hard in everything she does. This week Nadia's addition and subtraction work in maths has been great and her hard work is evident. Well done Nadia!
Sapphire	<b>Year 3: Phoebe Johnson</b> — is a role model and a lovely friend. Her creative nature is evident in every piece of work. She has been using her author voice and humour to bring her writing to life. Well done and thank you Phoebe! <b>Year 4: Sophie</b> — has been amazing role model and she has been pushing her learning further. Sophie has been using the tools we've introduced to improve her writing and make it more exciting. Well done and Thank you Sophie!
Diamond	<b>Year 5: Charlie</b> — worked extremely hard during the cross country run, trying his best and never giving up. Well done Charlie! <b>Year 6: Ruby T-M</b> — put in an incredible performance during the cross country run, finishing 16th out of more than 200 children. Well done Ruby!



### Lunch Time Star

**Tosia**—for always being so happy, polite & helpful during lunchtimes

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This year, at St David's Primary School, we would like to participate in the 'Gift Boxes of Love and Hope' scheme that aims to provide Christmas present boxes for Syrian refugee children in Lesvos.

We are hoping that we can get enough donations from the suggested list of contents for each class to fill one box for a girl and one for a boy.

Each box requires a balance of items in each box which includes:

#### Arts and Craft Activities

Felt pens, crayons, notebooks, journals, colouring books, art books, stickers etc

#### Personal care items

Tooth paste, tooth brush, shower gel, wipes, new socks, new underwear, gloves, new pyjamas

#### Confectionary

vegetarian or Halal candy

biscuits

#### Toys and games

Wooden puzzle, travel games, skipping rope, lego or similar, small bat & ball, yoyo, small teddy, small doll etc

#### **EACH CLASS WILL BE ALLOCATED THEIR ITEMS**

We would be REALLY grateful if you could please bring an item from the highlighted section so that we can add it to the class Christmas box. We would like the children to understand that we are sharing our love at Christmas time and sharing in their hope for a better future.

#### 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 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.

**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.**

