

15th February 2019

# Friday Flyer

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

**Happy Half Term**  
Children return to school on  
Monday 25th February

Today in Collective Worship we said a big Thank you to Miss Papadopoulou who has been teaching in Sapphire class for 2 days a week. We presented her with flowers, chocolates and Prosecco so that the children could express their appreciation. Miss Papadopoulou will resume other roles in the school so it is most definitely not Goodbye.

After half term Mrs Wilson will be returning from her maternity leave and will resume her role in Sapphire class alongside Mrs Jones-Whyte.

## Clip n Climb

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 enjoyed their trip to the climbing walls. They all did amazingly and the centre even made special mention about their impeccable behaviour. They all should be very proud of themselves!



**Ruby Class** — have taken part in climbing adventure at Clip n Climb. They have also created their own 'crew bandanas' using tie dye, ready to set sail for Turtle Island.

**Emerald Class**— the Emerald explorer arrived at Port Royal Jamaica. The children have written some brilliant descriptions about what Port Royal may have looked like during the golden age of piracy! Emerald class thoroughly enjoyed their trip to clip and climb this week!

**Sapphire Class** - King Charles has spoken to each of us pirates individually... he's considering creating a new crew and wants a new captain; but can we trust him? Why does he want to split up the Sapphire Sea-cret?

Are we going to stand true to our values and beliefs...?

**Diamond Class**— have completed play scripts which they will then use to create a short stop motion animation after half term. In order to do this they have had to study the features of a play script, including stage and actor directions and the correct format in which to present their work. Look out for the Diamond animated pirate movie next month!

Thank you to all those of  
you who supported our  
Valentine's Fundraising  
events.

The Raffle, Heart Biscuit  
sale and Disco made a  
total of £359 before costs.

This means that we will  
have a profit of just over  
£200 which will be added  
to PTFA funds.

Sapphire and  
Diamond classes  
visited the Cygnet  
Theatre today to see the show  
'Cautionary Tales for the  
World's Worst Victorian  
Children'. It was hugely  
entertaining and the children  
thoroughly enjoyed the  
performance.  
And we had a special mention  
on twitter saying that the  
children were so well behaved!



## Term Dates

### Last Day of Term

Friday 15th February

### February Half Term

Monday 18th Feb

Friday 22nd Feb

### Start of Spring Term 2

Monday 25th February

### Easter Holidays

Monday 8th April

Monday 22nd April

### Start of Summer Term 1

Tuesday 23rd April

## Diary Dates

Parent Consultation Evenings  
w/c 4th March  
Details to follow

## After School Activities

### KS2 Gymnastics

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

### smART Club

Wednesday

Recommended for Years 1-3  
Please enquire in the office regarding availability

### 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/after-school-club/>  
[all-courses/after-school-club/](https://www.saintssouthwest.co.uk/all-courses/after-school-club/)

### TWITTER

Most school events are featured  
on our twitter fed  
@StDavidsCofE. Follow us so you  
don't miss anything exciting!

## Green team

### Badges

Well done to Isabelle, Charlie, Immi who have achieved their first green team badges for completing 6 activities and Melody who receives her second badge for completing 12 activities. Well done and keep up the good work!

### Request

Next month starts the improvement for wildlife in the field. The children want to build a bug hotel to encourage wildlife. We are looking for the following:- 2 or 3 pallets, bricks, bamboo sticks, broken or whole terracotta plant pots, plastic / ceramic pipes ( which can be stuffed with hay) and wood ( ideally untreated) If you have anything you could spare, please let us know.

### Wildflower seed

Please let the office or Mrs Wonnacott know if you would like some free wildflower seeds. They will be available at the end of the Spring term.

## Devon County Council SEND Inspection

Between 10th and 14th December, inspectors from Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission visited Devon to inspect their provision for pupils with Special Educational Needs. During the inspection they met children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers, as well as staff in schools and settings, Local Authority and NHS staff. Inspectors also scrutinised data, strategies and plans. Jo Olsson, who chairs the Devon Children and Families Partnership (DCFP) Executive, has written to all parents. In her letter she affirms the commitment of partners to continue the programme of improvement, which Inspectors confirmed was on the right track.

You can read the full report by following this link: <https://files.api.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50054047>

ParentPay

## REMEMBER

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

our Christian Values

Forgiveness

Friendship

Trust

Respect

Compassion

Justice

# STAR AWARDS

## Reading Certificates



Ruby Class	Emerald Class	Sapphire Class	Diamond Class
		Riley—50 Cole—75 Zara—125 Alfred—200	Misho—40 Grace B—80 Ibrahim—120 Louis—120 Harley—120 Charlie—130 Clara—140 Verity—140 Cayla—140 Mary—150 Jackie—150 Grace H—170 Isabelle—200 Kayleigh—210 Kara—210 Grace W—220 Zuzia—290 Ruby T-M—290



**Ruby**  
Reception—

**Writer  
of the week**

**Emerald**  
Y1— Kaddy  
Y2— Ralph

**Sapphire**  
Y3— Jacob  
Y4— Holly

**Diamond**  
Y5— Melody  
Y6— Sky

## Star Learners

<b>Ruby</b>	<b>Reception:</b> <b>Lola-Mai</b> —because she was a very sensible and enthusiastic role model during our trip this week. She showed determination and perseverance when climbing as well as kindness and encouragement to her friends. She has also worked very hard in phonics. Fantastic!
<b>Emerald</b>	<b>Year 1:</b> <b>Marie</b> — has completed some fantastic independent pieces of writing. She has carefully thought about her finger spaces, capital letters and her handwriting this week. Well done Marie! Keep it up! <b>Year 2:</b> <b>Evie</b> — for showing great enthusiasm across the curriculum. This Week Evie has written a fantastic description about Port Royal and she has been keen to edit and improve her work independently. Evie has also tackled fraction secure it problems without adult support. Well done Evie!
<b>Sapphire</b>	<b>Year 3:</b> <b>Chloe</b> — has made such amazing progress since the beginning of the year. She has been trying really hard with her concentration and she has been participating more in our carpet discussions. Well done and thank you! <b>Year 4:</b> <b>Stephi</b> — has shown such amazing progress and maturity. She has been concentrating on the given task, she has been more careful with her handwriting and she has been helping her
<b>Diamond</b>	<b>Year 5:</b> <b>Misho</b> — has settled into Diamond class brilliantly this half term, and his excellent work ethic and calm, sensible manner has been much-appreciated. Well done and thank you Misho! <b>Year 6:</b> <b>Dylan</b> —Dylan has a friendly, outgoing manner and is always willing to lend a hand to help a classmate. Well done and thank you Dylan!



### Lunch Time Star

**Oscar** — for showing more maturity during meal times!

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University of Exeter will be hosting its annual Chinese New Year Celebrations on Sunday 17 February from 3-6.45pm in the Forum, Streatham Campus

<http://www.exeter.ac.uk/chinesenewyear>

This is a free event for families, local residents and students to discover all about Chinese culture Chinese and Han Culture Societies.

Given that Chinese New Year is covered in most curriculum, I hope the following might be of interest to your pupils and staff. Please publicise as widely as you can.

1pm	<b>City Centre Parade</b> —Dragon and Lion traditional dancing, starts at Buffet City, through Cathedral Green, performance in Bedford Square, processing along the High Street and Gandy Street to the Royal Albert Museum (weather dependent)
3pm	<b>On Campus Celebrations</b> - Dragon and Lion dancing parade inside Great Hall.
3.15pm	Chinese displays, craft stalls, food, Chinese language workshop and activities suitable for all (inside the Forum).
5.15pm	Cultural performances from our talented students in the Great Hall
6.15pm	Performances conclude
6.30pm	Fireworks to be viewed from XFI Building (weather dependent)

#### Parking

Campus parking is free on Sunday. Please follow signs for Car Parks A and B and walk to the Forum (next to the Great Hall) <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/visit/directions/carparks/>

#### Families

This event has been designed with students and families in mind and all are welcome. Please note, however, that there is no crèche facility available and parents are responsible for their children whilst attending the event.

#### 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.

#### Consideration Requested

**We have had several reports of parents driving without care and consideration during school pick up. Can we please remind you to drive with caution around the school area. We also request that you have consideration for the local residents when you are parking so that you do not obstruct their access.**

#### 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](mailto:dawn@exeterconsortium.com) or on 01392 92717.1 or visit [www.exeterconsortium.com](http://www.exeterconsortium.com)

#### FREE COURSES FOR ADULTS

Are you learning English as an additional Language?

- English for speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

FREE Courses running in Exeter at The Olive Tree (St Sidwell's Centre)

Tuesday 6-7pm: Intermediate  
Wednesday 10-12 noon: Lower Intermediate  
Thursday 6:30-8 pm: Upper Intermediate  
Friday 10-12 noon: Beginners  
Friday 10-12 noon: Advanced

For more details contact : 01392 666 222 or contact Paul Vass: [paul.olivetree@stsidwells.org.uk](mailto:paul.olivetree@stsidwells.org.uk)

#### 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 [reeschoolmeals@devon.gov.uk](mailto:reeschoolmeals@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 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**

## 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**

## Packed Lunches

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

