

#### Term Dates

##### Christmas Holiday

18th December-2nd January

##### Non-Pupil Day

Wednesday, 3rd January 2024

##### Half Term

12th-16th February 2024

#### November & December

##### Stay and Play

3.30- 5.15pm

Places for October's S&P, must be booked using this link

[CLICK HERE](#)

Each Stay and Play session, must be paid for via ParentPay, at time of

#### School Meal Bookings

Please ensure all school meals are booked via ParentPay

By 3.30pm on the Wednesday before.

Please ensure you close the school gate when entering or exiting the school playgrounds.

Many thanks

The school gates are locked at 9am prompt. If you arrive at school after 9am. Please buzz at the front gate and your child will be welcomed in via the school office.

Thank you.

#### School gate

The gate to the front playground is opened at 8.45am each morning.

#### Attendance awards

##### 3rd November

99.34% - Ruby Class

##### 10th November

94.8% Emerald Class

As we are approaching the festive season, please do have a look at our Dairy Dates below along with information about what will be happening in school in the coming weeks.

Please remember that next Friday is Children in Need day when the children are invited to come into school wearing spots! Please make a donation, however big or small, on Parent Pay for Children in Need.

I hope you all have a good weekend! Alison Bourne

#### Admissions policy for 2025-26: Annual Consultation

Along with all other schools and academies in Devon, we are consulting on an admission policy for 2025-26. The Local Authority is also consulting on its admission arrangements. You are invited to look at the proposals and have your say. Our proposed policy is on our admission page [St David's CE Primary School - Home](http://stdavidsprimary.devon.sch.uk) ([stdavidsprimary.devon.sch.uk](http://stdavidsprimary.devon.sch.uk)) and you can see all policies at <http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy>. Further information is here: [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements)

The consultation runs until 12 January 2024. Policies will be determined on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024 and published in the same places by 15 March 2024.

#### Family Pride South West Project

The project has 4 components;

**Family Pride Events** – fun family events for families where at least one member is LGBT+.

**Parenting Support** – We will be delivering Group Triple P for LGBT+ parents/carers with children between the ages of 2 and 12. This will be an 8 week course focussing on parenting skills.

**Family Relationship Support** – Our family practitioners can work with families where there is tension or communication problems between parents (together or apart). This can include disagreements on how best to support an LGBT+ child in the family, or where a parent has come out as LGBT+ and they are unsure what this means for their relationship, as well as more general relationship difficulties.

**Couples/co-parent counselling** – We will have counselling available for parents who wish to work through difficulties in a therapeutic setting.

Families can book onto upcoming events via our Eventbrite page -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/intercom-trust-17691399947>. Alternatively they can get in touch with our helpline to join the mailing list to be informed about upcoming events - 0800 612 3010 (9am – 4pm weekdays) or email [helpline@intercomtrust.org.uk](mailto:helpline@intercomtrust.org.uk).

For parenting support, mediation or counselling, families can be referred, or can self-refer via the referral form on our website - <https://www.intercomtrust.org.uk/referral-form/>.

Please share our webpage with parents and families who may be interested in the project - <https://www.intercomtrust.org.uk/lgbt-families/>.



#### BBC Children In Need - Friday 17th

##### November 2023

Next Friday children are welcome to come to school wearing something spotty in exchange for a donation for the BBC's Children in Need appeal.

Please kindly make donations via the page that has been set up on parent pay as we will not be accepting cash donations.



#### Lunchtime Star

#### 3rd November:

**Wiktor:** For being kind, helpful, friendly and independent.

#### 10th November:

**Helen:** For becoming more independent, trying new foods and always using her manners.

#### Team Points Winners

3/11 – Green Pumas

10/11 – Blue Panthers

### Star Learners

Ruby

#### 3rd November

**EYFS:** Lola has been a caring friend this week and she has made sure that her peers have been included during games. Thank you, Lola.

#### 10th November

**EYFS:** Helen is always kind and caring towards her friends and very helpful around the classroom. She has also completed some fantastic DT work this week when developing her cutting skills. Well done Helen!

**Reading certificates: 75:** Harry, Lola G, Luke, Poppy **100:** Ocean-Rose

Emerald

#### 3rd November

**Year 1:** Borry has worked really hard in all subjects this week and especially in PE where she travelled in different ways and linked three movements together. Well done, Borry!

**Year 2:** Sayeed has worked really hard in writing this week and used adjectives with the suffix-est to describe characters! Well done, Sayeed!

#### 10th November

**Year 1:** Bram has written some fantastic sentences in English this week. He has remembered full stops and capital letters and used some great vocabulary too. Well done, Bram!

**Year 2:** Agatha C has worked really hard to produce an animal fact file this week. She was able to record some super facts about cats and has drawn some fantastic pictures too. Well done, Agatha!

**Reading certificates: 25:** Borry

Sapphire

#### 3rd November

**Year 3:** Amelia-Nancy really enjoys school and shows great enthusiasm for everything during lessons. She is a good friend to many children in Sapphire class & she is always kind.

**Year 4:** Samuel has made super progress in English. For every piece of writing, he thinks about his word choices and selects the most interesting way to create description for the reader.

#### 10th November

**Year 3:** Arthur always listens carefully and is happy to volunteer answers in whole class discussions. He challenges himself and his work is always well presented. Well done Arthur!

**Year 4:** Kuba has worked so hard in all areas of his learning this week. He has kept focused and completed all of his work. Great job Kuba!

**Reading certificates: 25:** Kuba, Mackenzie, Theo, Julia, Wiktor, Saad. **50:** Fares, Otis, Otto, Oscar, Ethan. **75:** Ella, Eden, Arthur, Lucia, Jason. **100:** Amelia-Nancy, Isaac, Arthur, Oliver. **125:** Samuel, Freddie, Mina-Rose. **150:** Samuel.

Diamond

#### 3rd November

**Year 5:** Betsy has worked very hard in all lessons this week, and she has completed all her tasks to a very high standard. Well done and thank you, Betsy!

**Year 6:** Jocelyn has worked exceptionally hard in English this week, and it has been lovely to hear her thoughts on our current text. Well done and thank you, Jocelyn!

#### 10th November

**Year 5:** William has worked tirelessly in all subject this week and he should be very proud of what he has achieved. Well done and thank you William!

**Year 6:** Marie has written a stunning story based upon the Odyssey, and she has made excellent use of speech punctuation in her work. Well done and thank you Marie.

**Reading Certificates: 25:** Marie, Amelia H **50:** Ruby-Mae **75:** William, Mansi **100:** Eva, Kaddy, Jacey, Isabella, Mayar **125:** Nina, Iowa,

## Our Christian Values

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## News



On Thursday Raihan, Freya, Saayed and Evie helped to plant the front garden with some daffodils. They cleared the area, dug holes and planted some miniature daffodils. The children were very knowledgeable and knew the correct way to plant the bulbs and what they need to grow - soil, light and water.

Finally they watered the bulbs and they are looking forward to see them flower in March or April next year. Thank you





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## Diary Dates

Date	Autumn Term
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need - theme TBC
30 <sup>th</sup> November	9.15am-10.15am: Humanities Curriculum Morning - parents invited
6 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance—School Hall
7 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm Foundation/KS1 Nativity Performance—School Hall
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day -children bring in hamper gifts
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service - all families invited
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Movie Night 'Buy a Christmas present for your family'
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last Day of Term

2nd January	Spring Term
2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Non-Pupil Day
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Valentine's Disco
12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term
7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
w/c: 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening Week: Mon/Tue/Thurs: 3.30pm-4.30pm Wed: 3.30pm - 5.50pm
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> - 9.15am-10.15am: Curriculum Morning - parents invited
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day - Theme to be confirmed
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service - all families invited
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last Day of Term
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer Term
6 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATS Week
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Curriculum Morning - parents invited - focus subject TBC
27 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term

## Term Dates 2023-2024

AUTUMN Term

Finishes on 15th December 2023  
 Non-Pupil Day: 20th October 2023  
 Half Term 23rd – 27th October 2023

Non-Pupil Day: 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

SPRING Term

Starts on 3rd January 2024  
 Finishes on 28th March 2024  
 Half Term 12th – 16th February 2024

SUMMER Term

Starts on 15th April 2024  
 and Finishes on 23rd July 2024  
 Bank Holiday: 6th May 2024  
 Half Term 27th May 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024  
 Non-Pupil Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024  
 Non-Pupil Day: 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024