

1st February 2019 Vhat have we been doing



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

w/c 4th March Details to follow

After School Activities

KS₂ Gymnastics

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

smART Club

Wednesday

Recommended for Years1-3

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/afterschool-club/ all-courses/afterschool-club/

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**



School Uniform Reminder
'arents should dress their children in sensible, practical clothes that reflect the chool uniform listed below:

- White shirts or polo shirts or logo polo shirts
- Grey or black trousers
- Blue jumpers or School logo sweatshirts Socks and plain dark shoes or plain black trainers

Girls:

- White blouses, or polo shirts or logo polo shirts
- Grey or black skirts/pinafores or trousers but not jeans, fashion trousers or leggings
- Blue cardigans or school logo sweatshirts
- Socks or tights and plain dark shoes or boots or plain black trainers

Restrictions

Children are NOT permitted to wear:

- Jeans or denim, including jackets
- Leggings, tracksuits, tops or bottoms (other than tracksuit bottoms for outdoor games in winter), trainers other than plain black (except for outdoor games)
- Unsafe shoes*
- (All shoes should be suitable for energetic playtimes.
- High heels, sling backs, platform soles, flip flops, fashion boots, canvas or damaged footwear can all be unsafe and are therefore NOT allowed in school)
- Extreme hairstyles
- Patterned T-shirts (except school logo)
- Jackets bearing slogans or designs which are inappropriate for school

ALL CLOTHING SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH THE CHILD'S NAME

Valentine's DISCO



Thursday 14th February

KS1 - 3:45 -4:45 KS2 - 5:00 - 6:00

£3 Entry Fee in advance Or 2 siblings for £5 to include Popcorn & a Drink

Please bring some change for the Tuck Shop and Glow Sticks

have been on the around learning difference seas that surround us They have been creating delicious artwork—using Cheerio's, and finding out about 'Black Bart' - one of the most famous pirates from the golden age who was born in Wales.

this week?

Emerald Class—have been getting ready to set sail to Jamaica . We have been finding out information about Port Royal and it's many dangers! In preparation for our visit we have been learning some Caribbean dances, which we hope to perform!

Sapphire Class - Sapphire Seacret's crew had to learn all about the Earth so they don't get lost during their journey. As responsible explorers they learnt about the Artic and Antarctic circles, the Equator and the Northern and Southern hemispheres. Now, as experienced navigators, they are ready to start their new adventure. Diamond Class— have investigated the dangerous streets, alleys, shops and inns of the famous Jewel Harbour on the island of San Davido, creating street maps of the town as a companion piece to the survival guides that they wrote last week.

The children of Sapphire class have sort comfort when using the 'Thinking Ball', made from wool which was used in a recent assembly to bind our children together in prayer.

Thank you Rev Chris @CurateDurrant





Definitely not a snow closure day.... but just to prove we had enough for a snowman....

A Plea for Old Magazines or Comics If you have any children's old magazines or comics ready for the recycling bin, we would welcome them in school. Many thanks



Respect



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Ruby Class Jacey-50

Emerald Class Sapphire Class

Isaac—50 Jake—75 Stephi—75 Alfie—150 Alfred—150 & 175 Diamond Class

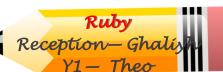
Misho-20 Gracie-70 Ibrahim-90 Jake—90 Louis—100

Harley—110 Clara—120 Verity—120
Cayla—130
Mary—130
Jackie—140

Sara—150 Grace H-160

Lacey-170





Writer of the weeks

Emerald Y2 - Romany



Sapphire Y3 - Alfred Y4-Isaac





Diamond Y5-Jake Y6 - Grace H



Star Learners

Ruby	Reception: Oliver S-R — because he is a very cheerful, funny and kind member of our team. He always tries his best with everything he does and he has made a wonderful contribution to our learning talks. This week he has identified and ordered numbers to 20 on his own. Well done Oliver! Year 1: Theo — because he has been a very kind and respectful team member this week. He's been trying really hard to listen well to others and has even produced some independent writing this week. Fantastic! Well done Theo!
Emerald	Year 2: Romany — for great attitude towards her learning this week. It has been fantastic to see Romany working independently across the curriculum and her confidence building.
Sapphire	Year 3: Chloe — is coming to school every day with a big smile. She has been trying really hard with her handwriting and she's working on her presentation. Well done and Thank you! Year 4: Imogen — is coming to school with a great attitude towards learning. She is very resilient and tries hard with every piece of work. She is also a very kind friend and very helpful in class. Well done and thank you.
Diamond	Year 5: Isabelle — has worked incredibly hard on improving the standard of his written work this week, and has produced a piece about Jewel Harbour with great enthusiasm. Well done Jake! Year 6: Zuzia — has worked exceptionally hard on her pirate diary entry and has produced an accurate and imaginative piece of writing. Well done Grace!



Lunch Time Star

Taseen — for showing more independence this week during lunchtimes.

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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

nttp://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	City Centre Parade—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	On Campus Celebrations - 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)

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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) https://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.

You can find out more here: TikTok

Please ensure the gate is closed when entering or leaving the playground.

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.

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 quardian) can also get free school meals

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 freeschoolmeals@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.

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

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

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 administrate medicines at the required times, although this cannot always be guaranteed.

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.

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 NB St David's have a strict 48 hour



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.

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.



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