

# Friday Flyer

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



## Term Dates

**Start of New Half term**  
Monday 29th October

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**Last Day of Term**  
Wednesday 19th December  
**(NO STAY & PLAY)**

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**Christmas Holidays**  
Thursday 20th December

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Friday 4th January

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**First Day of Spring Term**  
Monday 7th January

## Diary Dates

**Christmas Fair Planning Meeting**

Wednesday 21st November

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**Movie Night**  
Thursday 29th November

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**Christmas Jumper Day**  
Friday 30th November

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**Christmas Fair**  
Friday 7th December  
3.30—5.30

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**KS1 Christmas Performance**  
Wednesday 12th December  
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**Carols around Tree**  
Tuesday 18th December

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### TWITTER

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

**ParentPay**

### REMEMBER

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

## Children in Need



It was great to see so many children supporting Children in Need today and wearing their spots.

A huge thank you to Mrs Gibson's mum for making and donating the fabulous Pudsey Cake. Over £50 was raised from the raffle.



Well done to Kara and Ollie for being the lucky winners

**We raised over £130 in total**

## Christmas Fair—Friday 7th December

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the Class Christmas Fair meetings and especially those who signed up to help. Whilst you may not want to run a stall, there are plenty of jobs that need doing leading up to the day, so please pop to the office if you can spare any time at all.

### STALL ITEMS NEEDED-

- ◆ Second Hand Toys and Games— If you plan to have a clear-out before Christmas and would like to donate toys in good condition and puzzles/games that are complete and in working order
- ◆ Jam Jars filled with gifts—eg sweets, hair bobbles, marshmallows, rubbers, mini toys, stationery
- ◆ Clean empty jars to donate.

Please bring into school from Monday 19th November onwards. Thank you in anticipation.

*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*

**Ruby Class** - have been thinking about where animals live, We've designed homes for them and had a go at building some using different materials.

**Emerald Class** - were given the unknown bird's nest that was found after Oakvilles storm. The children looked at the nest carefully and wrote to George Parker advising him on how to look after the bird it belongs to.

**Sapphire Class** - went to the Vue cinema to watch Hotel Transylvania 3. The children really enjoyed the story and joined the characters to dance the Macarena song. We were very proud of the way they represented the school!

**Diamond Class**— have taken part in a press conference with DCI Mason Miller, the chief of police in the town. They prepared then asked him questions, which they then used to craft news reports to explain what actually occurred on the night of the oak tree's party.



**Thursday 29th November**

**5.30pm-7pm**

**£2.50 per Ticket**

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

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

**Ticket £2.50 on the door 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!!!**

**our Christian Values**

Forgiveness

Friendship

Trust

Respect

Compassion

Justice

# STAR AWARDS

## Reading Certificates

### Ruby Class

Bano—25  
Oliwier—25  
Ellie—25  
Ghaliyh—25  
Marcus—50  
Ieshia—50

### Emerald Class

Esmay—25  
Noah—25  
Celeste—50

### Sapphire Class

### Diamond Class

Charlie—40      Kayleigh—90  
Gracie B—40      Ruby T-M—100  
Mary—50      Zuzia—100  
Harley—50  
Sara—60  
Grace H—60  
Jessica—60  
Cayla—60  
Verity—60  
Kara—60  
Jackie—70  
Grace W—70  
Isabelle—70  
Lacey—80



## Writer of the week



## Star Learners

<b>Ruby</b>	<b>Reception: Ted</b> — is such a happy, playful and inquisitive member of our team. This week he has impressed us with his fantastic adding and subtracting skills in maths. He has been learning about fact families and was even able to record some number sentences. Well done Ted!
<b>Emerald</b>	<b>Year 1: Isabella</b> — because she has started to develop an independent work ethic and is gaining confidence day by day. Well done Isabella! <b>Year 2: Evie H-M</b> — because she is always enthusiastic about her writing and consistently makes great word choices. Evie also perseveres with maths and rises to the challenge even when it's tricky. Well done Evie!
<b>Sapphire</b>	<b>Year 3: Cole</b> — came back with a lovely attitude towards learning. He is confident within himself and he is more ready to learn. He has a vivid imagination that he uses in our carpet discussions and it's evident in his writing. Well done and thank you Cole! <b>Year 4: Holly</b> — has started this school year with an amazing attitude towards learning. She has been really careful with her presentation, she is very resilient with her Maths and she has been participating more in our carpet discussions. Well done and thank you Holly!
<b>Diamond</b>	<b>Year 5: Isabelle</b> — has worked very hard in all subjects this week, and has proved time and time again that she can act on advice and improve her work. Well done Isabelle! <b>Year 6: Lacey</b> — has written a fantastic news report about the oak tree party, using some lovely vocabulary and both direct and reported speech. Well done Lacey!



### Lunch Time Star

**Nina**—is always happy, helpful and willing to help at lunchtime

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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 [freeschoolmeals@devon.gov.uk](mailto: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.

**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



# 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 administrate 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**

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**3.30PM ON  
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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.**

