



The Head Teacher writes...

Another amazing sight greeted us on entering the school hall last Friday.

Due to your generosity, we had tables groaning under the weight of tins and packets of food that we know will make a real difference to many families in our local community for whom life is difficult at present.

Mrs Stock was also able to take the toiletry items for the Salvation Army Homeless Centre in London that we have supported, through her, for many years. Thank you everyone.

Rev Liz Lander came and led our Harvest assembly. She reminded us of the range of choices we are all lucky enough to have. However, this is not the case for everyone. Did you know that 10% of human beings do not have access to clean water?

Hopefully by now, a child from every St David's family has brought home a bottle of water. The idea is that you drink the water and then try to fill it again with loose change. The bottles are then returned to school after half-term and Year 6 pupils will count all the coins. Two years ago we raised over £1,300.00 between us for WaterAid - a real example of many people working together to make a huge difference.

Let's see if we can raise even more this time.

As we approach our two week break, I do hope you all have a good rest, ready to come back to the time of year we all love best - glitter, carols, pre-prep nativity, here we come!

Happy holidays!



HEAD GIRL—DARSHANI

I joined St David's in Year 3 and feel very privileged to be part of such a wonderful school. When I found out I was going to be Head Girl I was delighted and honoured to be chosen this year.

For me, the best thing about St David's is that it is a small friendly school where all the teachers know all the children. It is more like one big family than a school. I'm looking forward to the rest of an eventful Year 6



New Website

Do take a look - there is still more to be added but please let us know what you think so far

www.stdavidscollege.com

FIREWORKS

Don't forget to get your Firework tickets for SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER. Forms available from the School Office

Prep Inter-House Swimming Gala

Trinity School pool was the venue for our annual Prep school swimming gala last Friday evening. The event was well organised, well run and the pupils all swam well. Thanks to the staff, parents and friends who planned, recorded, kept time, judged, sold drinks and all the other things that made the whole evening such a success. Mr Hunter and Miss O'Sullivan have not stopped smiling since the convincing win by Justin House and the Swimming Cup is now proudly sporting a yellow ribbon.

The Year 6 Raft Race was a somewhat more contentious issue. Always a closely fought event between the boys and girls, this year it was photo-finish close. In order to maintain harmony amongst the class for the rest of the year, the official result is a dead heat!

UPCOMING DATES

OCTOBER

Friday 14th

Calendar photos
U11 St Christopher's Netball
Break up for half-term
(Normal finishing time)

Monday 17th-21st

8 - 6pm Holiday Club
(Bookings close: Thursday 13th)
Return to School

Monday 31st

NOVEMBER

Friday 4th

9.00 am Parent Council
(Open Meeting)
2.30pm Yrs 5 & 6 Netball match
v Bishop Challoner (H)

Friday 11th

10.30am Remembrance
Assembly (Year 6 parents invited)
1.30pm St Christopher's
Netball Tournament U10

Saturday 12th

PTA Fireworks

Tuesday 15th

7.30 pm PTA Meeting

Friday 18th

7.30am Children in Need
Rehearsal (St John's Church)
7.00pm Children in Need
Concert (St John's Church)

Tuesday 15th

Travelling Books (for one week)

Monday 21st

4 - 8.30pm Parents Evening

DECEMBER

Wednesday 7th

9.30am Pre-Prep Dress Rehearsal

Thursday 8th

9.30am Pre-Prep Christmas Play

Friday 9th

9.30am Pre-Prep Christmas Play
7.00pm Carol Service (St John's Church)
(compulsory Year 3 - 6)

Pre-Prep



Year 1 are pleased with themselves, and rightly so!

Having been studying Houses and Homes through the Ages they particularly enjoyed thinking about the types of houses around at the time of the Great

Fire of London. This inspired them to design and create their own Tudor Houses - do take a look if you can.

Congratulations Girls

Mrs Chenu attended her first St David's sports fixture this week, accompanied by a team of cross-country runners

from Years 4 - 6.

She says, 'They all ran with good spirit and were very supportive of one another, I felt proud of them and they were a real asset to the school'.

They all ran really well but special mention should be made of Gabriella (11th), Sereana (9th) and Megan who came 3rd!

The Sky at Night

On Tuesday evening many of Year 5 and their parents were lucky enough to gaze in awe and wonder at the moon and some even saw Mars!

Mr Leach imaginatively arranged a whole evening of astronomy related activities including building junk 'planetary rovers', finding out equivalent ages and weight on various planets and eating space ice cream, as enjoyed by Real astronauts!

The evening ended with a talk from Hugh, a member of the Orpington Astronomers Group who, with several others, allowed the children and adults to marvel at the night sky through telescopes set up in our grounds.

Wow! Amazing! Brilliant! Just some of the words uttered by our pupils.

What an experience - hopefully the first of many such evenings.

Thank you Mr Leach.