

The Head Teacher writes...

Today's news seems to be focused on plans to build a wall—a wall to deny access. This got me thinking—at St David's we are trying to teach the very opposite by giving our pupils the confidence and skills to be able to access anything they want to break walls down.

We've been thinking a lot about perseverance; thanks to those of you who discussed this with your children at home and in some cases shared your own stories of climbing out of the dip or over the wall and achieving your aims. (www.classdojo/bigideas)

Walls of course can provide order and structure but for our children let's hope they become decorated with photos, artwork, records of achievement and things to treasure.

PRE-PREP

Pre-Prep are gearing up for Chinese New Year. They learnt all about the Chinese Zodiac in Mrs Wright's assembly on Tuesday and they have been making Chinese dragons in their Art lessons. They have been learning the words and actions for two Chinese songs. Reception are looking forward to their party this Friday.



PRE-PREP WITH THEIR DRAGONS



ISA NATIONAL SWIMMING GALA SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY

Well done to our swimmers who represented London South at the Nationals on Saturday when they had the opportunity to swim in the Olympic pool.

Laurence (Year 6) took part in the medley relay finishing 5th, 50m breaststroke 6th and then he finished with an amazing swim which gained him a silver medal in the 50m freestyle.

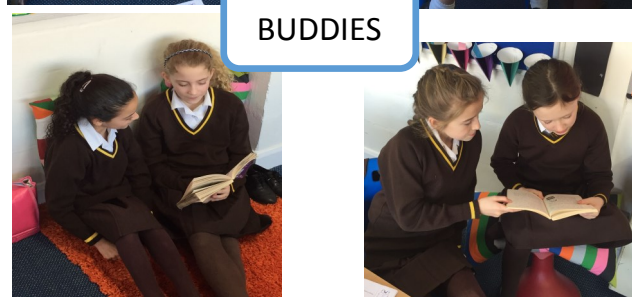
Our year 5 girls relay team, Lucy, Zoe, Megan and Rosemary swam really well, ending in 6th place.

Congratulations to them all.

Special thanks also to Mrs Page, Annette in Year 4 and Greta in Year 6 who went along to support them.



READING BUDDIES



MATHLETICS

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
JUSTIN	17	1	0
OAK	19	0	0
WAGSTAFF	11	1	0
SCHOVE	17	1	0

HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK:

JUSTIN 475 * OAK 475 * WAGSTAFF 325 * SCHOVE 475

READING EGGS

Years 2 and 5 have had great fun trialling the 'Reading Eggspress' programme, which is designed to develop reading and comprehension skills in a fun, engaging way. The feedback from the children has been very positive. They have been using the interactive lessons in class, during weather-enforced play times and at home. Zoe is currently 'World Champion' in one aspect of the programme!

SPORT

Well done to the Year 3 girls, nicknamed 'Team Snatch-it', on their first competitive netball match against Breaside Prep. They drew 3-3, with

Daisy scoring all the goals.

Players of the Match—Renata and Daisy



Congratulations to Sam L (Year 6) who is now 400m freestyle Kent County Champion

SPRING TERM 2017

January:

Friday 27th 9.00am PTA AGM in The Cabin
Football Years 5 & 6 Breaside (H)
Netball Years 5 & 6 Breaside (H)
Monday 30th Assembly: Chinese New Year
& workshops Yrs 4, 5, 6
Tuesday 31st Year 3 to National History Museum

February:

Tuesday 7th Young Voices at O2 Arena
Monday 13th—17th Half Term
Monday 20th INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st 7.30pm PTA Meeting
Thursday 23rd Year 4 West Wickham library
Friday 24th Netball ISA London South U11
Lingfield Notre Dame (A)
Monday 27th 7.45am Football Club begins
Parents Interview Week begins
Tuesday 28th Perform Drama Group Recp, Year 1 & 2
Yrs 3 & 4 Cross Country Relay at
St Dunstan's College

MARCH

Thursday 2nd World Book Day
Saturday 4th ISA National Cross Country
PTA Quiz Night
Monday 6th Year 4 National Gallery trip
Wednesday 8th Girls Football ISA London South
Virgo Fidelis (A)
Thursday 9th Life Bus
Friday 10th Life Bus
Saturday 11th Bromley Schools Cross Country at
Crystal Palace Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday 13th Reception to West Wickham library
Tuesday 14th Quiz Club Competition
Bishop Challoner
Thursday 16th 3.30—5.30pm Dance Show Rehearsal
All years
Saturday 18th 9.30am Open Morning
Monday 20th Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 21st Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 23rd 3.30—5.30pm Dance Show Rehearsal
All years
Tuesday 28th PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Thursday 30th 9.30am Dress Rehearsal Dance Show
4.30pm Dance Show
Friday 31st 11.30am Term Ends

REMINDERS

PTA AGM tomorrow

(Friday 27th January at 9.00am)

The Parent Council suggestion box has now been put up in the Entrance Hall to Justin Hall

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

BOOK YOUR PLACES—FORMS AVAILABLE
FROM SCHOOL OFFICE OR FROM THE WEB-
SITE (www.stdavidsprep.com)

TUESDAY 18TH, WEDNESDAY 19TH,
THURSDAY 20TH, FRIDAY 21ST APRIL
8.00am—6.00pm

