

CELEBRATING ST DAVID'S DAY

During the week there has been a big focus in school on our namesake St David and indeed all things Welsh. It began on Wednesday, St David's Day, when Mr Kale presented his very first assembly. He told Prep pupils all about St David and managed to impress them with his knowledge of the Welsh language. Meanwhile, in Pre-Prep the children were also learning about the traditions and celebrations associated with St David's Day. We were delighted that two children were dressed in traditional Welsh costume. Thank you to everyone for the abundance of beautiful golden daffodils sent in to decorate the school. Then at lunchtime our chefs produced a delicious Welsh-themed lunch and muffins decorated with edible daffodils.

Many of you will have already seen the beautiful new display in the entrance hall. All the children made a daffodil and it is fascinating to see how these flowers represent the development of skills and concepts from Reception through to Year 6. A big thank you to the staff who directed the various artistic efforts but a special mention must be made of Mrs Thorpe who inspired and pulled it all together. We certainly have some very talented staff.



This week was also the time when most of you came to see the class teachers to discuss the progress your children are making. As represented by the daffodils, skills and concepts are developing as they 'grow' up the school.



SPORT



NETBALL

Well done to the Year 5 and Year 6 girls who took part in the ISA London South Netball Tournament reaching the Quarter Finals. They all played with perseverance and resilience. They were accompanied by Mrs Handy

and Mr Hunter who both felt extremely proud of our girls. Special thanks to Mrs Higgins who came out of retirement to coach the girls on the day, we think she enjoyed herself just as much as the girls did.

CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday Mr Hunter and Miss O'Sullivan took 16 young to compete in four cross country relay races at St Dunstan's College along with seven other schools. It was the first time many of them had ever represented St David's and they were SO EXCITED!

Our Year 3 girls' and boys' teams (Alice, Lottie, Renata, Sarah, Oliver, Tom, Stefan and Christopher) both finished in 8th place.

Our Year 4 girls' team of Sereana, Eliz, Lana and Neriah finished in 9th place and our Year 4 boys' team of Zachary, Harry, Abraham and Joshua finished in 4th place. They all showed great determination and team spirit.

PRE-PREP

On Tuesday afternoon we took part in a Perform workshop of drama, dance and singing. They were involve in a unique mix of activities based around the theme of fairytales. The children headed into the fairytale forest for an amazing adventure with the 'Funky Fairy'.

Much loved fairytales were mixed up with some funky moves and grooves. They slept under the incredible dream tree and took part in a Rapunzel Rap!

Some children even saw a unicorn!



MATHLETICS

	BRONZE	SILVER	HOUSEPOINTS
JUSTIN	33	2	975
OAK	38	2	1050
SCHOVE	42	2	1150
WAGSTAFF	29	5	975

YEAR 6

Our Year 6 pupils have been challenged to compete against the other Wishford schools in a Young Enterprise Competition.

They are currently planning their 'businesses' with the aim of raising money over a 24 hour period this month. They will be given a start-up loan with any profits going to charity.

The initiative is being sponsored by a winner of Dragons Den, Jordan Daykin, who also happens to be a former pupil of St Edward's Prep Head Teacher. He has promised a prize of £1,000 to the winning school that will be awarded at the Wishford Weekend in June.

The class are working in four teams. The following is a message from one of them called Star Struck Productions:

Dear Parents and Students,

Year 6 is taking part in a Young Enterprise competition, competing against the other Wishford schools. From an original idea from Tilly and Indigo who have now been joined by Darshani, Greta, Daisy, Lily and Emily they have founded 'Star Struck Productions.'

With lots of imagination and idea from the group 'St David's Got Talent' has been created!

The new stars will get their chance to perform on the evening of Thursday 30th March from 7.00pm.

We hope you will support us and further details will be available next week. Meanwhile please keep the date!
(Tilly and Indigo, Year 6)

CONGRATULATIONS—BEST OF THE BUNCH



Over the past few weeks Year 6 have been holding an 'in class' Bananagrams tournament after a close fought final between Martino and Daisy, Daisy was crowned 'Best of the Bunch'.

Commiserations to Martino who was unlucky in his run of letters – four 'Q's' would challenge anybody.

NOTICES

Due to personal reasons Mrs Chenu will no longer be teaching at St David's.

There will no Gym Club until further notice.

SNACKS

We would like to remind parents that we no longer allow children to bring snacks to eat in School at any time. A drink and biscuits will be provided for children booked into after school clubs.

From September 2017, it will become school policy that all children will have school lunches. Visitors continually comment on the quality and range of food on offer which caters for all tastes and dietary needs. The menus are on the website but should you wish to see for yourself then please feel free to contact Miss Slim in the School Office.

SPRING TERM 2017

MARCH:

Friday 3rd	2.45pm Uniform Sale
Saturday 4th	ISA National Cross Country PTA Quiz Night
Monday 6th	National Gallery trip—Year 4
Tuesday 7th	2.00pm Year 4 Football (A) Virgo Fidelis
Wednesday 8th	Girls Football ISA London South Virgo Fidelis (A)
Thursday 9th	Life Bus
Friday 10th	9.00am Parent Council Life Bus
Saturday 11th	Bromley Schools Cross Country at Crystal Palace Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday 13th	West Wickham library— Reception
Tuesday 14th	Quiz Club Competition at Bishop Challoner
Thursday 16th	3.30—5.30pm Dance Show Rehearsal All years
Saturday 18th	9.30am—12.00pm Open Morning
Monday 20th	Bikeability—Year 6
Tuesday 21st	Bikeability—Year 6
Thursday 23rd	3.30—5.30pm Dance Show Rehearsal All years
Friday 24th	Inter-House Cross Country—Prep
Tuesday 28th	PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Thursday 30th	9.30am Dress Rehearsal Dance Show 4.30pm Dance Show 11.30am Term Ends

Friday 31st

April

Tuesday 25th U7 ISA Football at Virgo Fidelis (A)

May

Wednesday 3rd	Royal Russell Maths Challenge—Year 5
Friday 5th	9.00am Parent Council 1.30—3.30 Athletics Practice at Norman Park, Bromley—Years 4, 5, 6
Friday 12th	PTA Prep Disco
Monday 15th—19th	School Journey—Year 6
Tuesday 23rd	Luke Temple visit
Monday 29th	Half Term—one week

ADVANCE DATES

Saturday 10th June—Summer Fair

Fri 16th—Sun 18th June—Wishford Weekend—Year 6