



St David's Prep

NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2



Spring Term Highlights



- Being lucky enough to experience the unbridled joy when the hall is filled with staff and pupils singing 'We've Got the Power' together – priceless!
- Seeing the school field filled with families planting trees together as part of our centenary celebrations – very special
- Proudly showing off our school to new parents at Open Morning and throughout the term
- I enjoy having conversations with our parents while they are waiting to meet the teachers to hear about their children at parents' evening
- Our visit from the 'Life Space' for all pupils. It is such an exciting and engaging way to learn about their mental wellbeing and physical health
- Another incredible term of PLP's. Seeing our children develop in confidence and ability. From guitars and singing in 'Don't miss a beat' to learning how to put someone into the recovery position in First Aid.
- What an absolute thrill to take part in the inaugural St David's Poetry Party on World Book Day – the creativity and energy from every class filled the hall, and listening to such a dazzling range of poetry was pure joy.
- Having the privilege of accompanying the Year 5 and 6 netball team to the National Finals. Seeing their amazing resilience and team spirit shine through in their matches and sharing the fun of playing Hide and Seek with the boarders of Hatherop Castle.
- The many 'lightbulb moments' that brighten our days – those wonderful flashes of understanding as our amazing children grow in their learning.



Staff News



Over the past few months, the hunt has been going on to find a replacement for Mrs Handy when she retires at the end of the school year. No easy task, as you might imagine! In conjunction with the Wishford team, a job description was drawn up and following agreement the role was advertised widely on a number of sites. Applications were gathered and sorted, leading to a short list of candidates being drawn up. The whole process was extremely rigorous; each person was formally interviewed by our Operations Director as well as meeting with Sam Antrobus and Mrs Carmichael-Line, not forgetting the completion of a written task! It came down to three strong candidates who all impressed in different ways.

However, we are delighted to announce that the successful candidate is our own **Mr Chris King**. For those of you who do not know his background, before becoming our Site Manager in 2022 Chris worked in Theatre management, overseeing Her Majesty's Theatre and the London production of Phantom of the Opera for Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber no less. For family reasons (theatre hours not being conducive to family life) he took the decision to find a role nearer to home and allow more time to spend with his wife and young daughter. Many of the skills he learnt during his time managing the large team and the operational duties involved will set him up perfectly for this new role at St David's. He already undertakes many of the compliance aspects of the SBM job and will work closely alongside Mrs Handy to ensure a smooth handover.

Most importantly for the school, Mr King is a fully signed up member of the team – the cheers he received when I announced his appointment to staff this week is testament to, and truly reflects, the high regard in which he is held. It also means he will be around for a while longer with his guitar in hand ready to jump in at a Carol Service, Year 6 production or any other occasion we can think of!

Congratulations, Mr King! The hunt now begins for a new Site Supervisor...





SPORTS

As our second term of the year comes to an end it signals the end of our Winter sports and the start of our Summer sports. Our Winter sports, especially football, swimming, biathlon, netball, hockey and cross-country, have brought the school much success. Well done to all the students that have participated so far this academic year and I'm very excited to get started with our Summer sports programme.

Anna, Saskia, Adriana and Isla qualified for the National Finals of the Schools Biathlon event in Bath this half term and finished 5th! To have such a strong team competing on a national level is fantastic and the team should be very proud of their performance!

Our U11 Netball squad has had a superb season making the finals of the Bromley London Youth Games and reaching the ISA National Finals in Warwick. The trip to the National Finals included a stopover at fellow Wishford School Hatherop Castle, overnight before making the journey up to Warwick. The standard of netball was extremely high and the squad performed consistently well throughout the day.





The U11 **Lacrosse** team has made it through to the South Regional Finals in June after a 3rd place finish in the Bromley qualifiers. What makes this achievement even more impressive is the team is made up by mostly year 5 students who are competing against year 6 students from other schools. The team beat the eventual winners in the finals stage which shows how close the tournament was on the day.



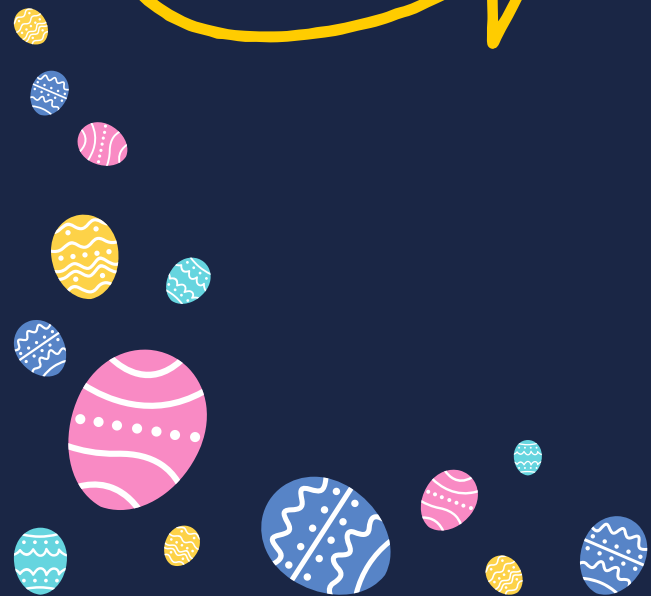
Cross-country running is always well represented at St David's and recently we have had ISA South Finals, year 3&4 Crystal Palace event and the year 5&6 St David's Dash. The standout performance was from our Year 3 girls team **Elora, Sophie, Rosa and Annabelle M** who came 2nd overall at the Crystal Palace cross country! The sports team looks forward to hosting the Year 1&2 St David's Dash on Monday 18th May.

THANK YOU

As our focus moves to our Summer sports programme, I want to take this opportunity to thank parents, the sports team and the students for their continued support and dedication to sport. I wish you all a very happy Easter holiday.



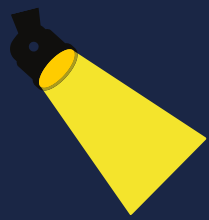
Mr Wood - Head of Sport





Our Eco Committee have done some fantastic work this half term planting new trees in High Broom Woods, litter picking and helping our local eco systems to thrive!

Well done everyone!



Student Spotlight!

Your children do amazing things everyday not just in school but outside of school too. This is your chance to shout about their achievements, big or small. If you'd like share something in the next Newsletter just contact isi.king@stdavidsprep.com



Silas
Year 3M

Silas recently completed his initial grade classical guitar exam. He dedicated a great deal of effort to preparing for it, and despite feeling very nervous, he conquered his worries and achieved a distinction.

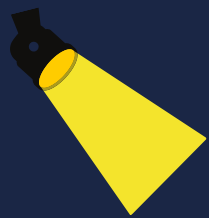
Well done Silas that is a fantastic achievement.

Reuben and Partho
Year 3B

Reuben and Partho, both from class 3B, entered the beginner brass and woodwind section of the Bromley Music festival, they did incredibly well after both being very nervous and Partho got a silver medal and Reuben a bronze medal!

Amazing boys! Well done!





Student Spotlight!

Oliver, Christian and Kush
Year 5



“Oliver, Christian and Kush, as part of the BromBecks hockey team, have won every game in the In2London Plate hockey qualifiers and are therefore through to the final which is to be played at Lee Valley, on the Olympic pitch!

They played brilliantly, working really effectively as a team and we are SO proud of them”

And so are we! True Davidian spirit shining through

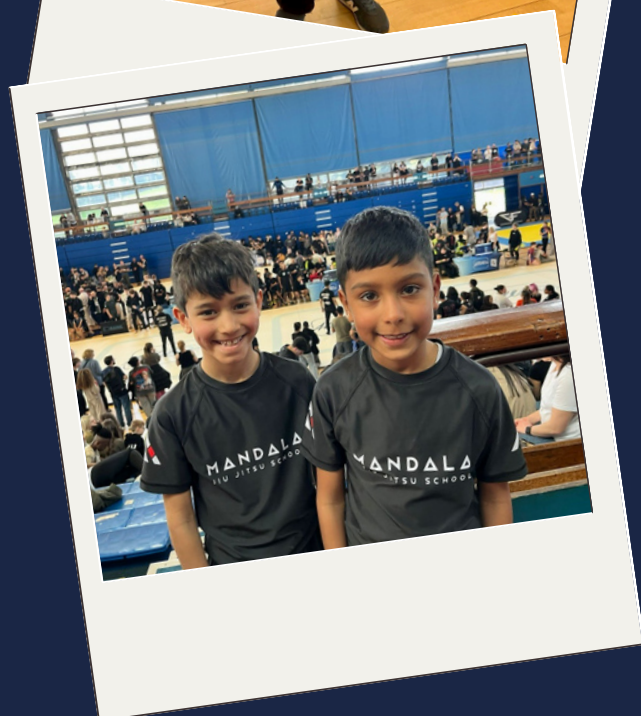
Lawrence, Partho and Dillan
Year 2 and Year 3

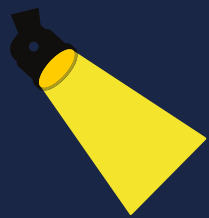
Lawrence (Yr2) and Partho and Dillan (Yr3) competed in their first external Brazilian Jiu Jitsu competition- the Allstars BJJ Europeans.

Competition was fierce with all 3 competing against last year’s champions and adrenaline was running high with over 1200 participants The boys did fantastically well.

Lawrence competed in Gi and Dillan and Partho competed in NoGi.

Fantastic achievement boys. Well done!





Student Spotlight!



Lara
Reception

Mum writes: "Lara received her half marathon wristband at Junior Park Run. On the same day she got a new PB of 11:49. Amazing work at only 4!"

Keep up the great work Lara!

Alex FF
Year 5F

Alex wanted to share his story in his own words. Here they are below:

What It Takes to Be Part of England Lacrosse - My Journey

Lacrosse is a tough and physical sport that requires commitment, discipline, and resilience. Being part of the England Aspire (Youth) team involves a lot of hard work, with daily training and continuous effort to improve as I am the youngest player.

I feel very proud to be part of the England Aspire team. It motivates me to keep pushing myself, and I hope that one day I might have the opportunity to play for England or France at the Olympics.

We can not wait to see you there Alex. Keep up the amazing hard work!



Head Teacher Awards

So much to celebrate this half term starting with incredible achievements at the Bromley Literary Festival



*Not all those who took part were available for a photograph so they will appear next term

Head Teacher Awards

ISA Netball FINALISTS!



Head Teacher Awards

5th Place at the Great British Schools Biathlon*



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2nd Place Team at
Crystal Palace
Cross Country





Bromley Literary Festival

by Mrs Campbell

A wonderful showing at the festival this year from St David's. We entered more Year 2s than ever and these children performed delightfully for their very first time. A special well done to all those children.

Year 3 and above included some more experienced performers who wowed, moved and amused their audiences with their range of poems. This year the news is particularly special as Aria in Year 6 not only won a gold medal but also the overall Year 6 Bromley prize - the Ann-Louise Straker Shield with her poem 'Let No-One Steal Your Dream'.

Other special medal-winning performances included:

Y6 Aoife O'H - Silver

Y5 Arthur A - Silver and prize for Distinction

Y5 Livia - Silver

Y5 Thomas C - Bronze

Y5 Amber - Bronze

Y4 Annika - Silver

Y4 Meadow - Bronze

Y4 Rohan - Bronze

Y3 Amyra - Gold

Y2 Olivia B - Bronze

Well done to all involved!

Year 4 Shakespeare Monologue Competition Final

We are delighted to announce that Zach 4D and Adya 4SC have made the final of this ISA competition held on 22nd April. Enjoy being Malvolio and Viola from Twelfth Night (Or What You Will)!



Primary Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the following pupils who were invited to participate in the Bonus round of the Primary Maths Challenge, having scored highly in the initial round last year:

Kush K & William J
Aisha C & Maya C (Bronze)
Aaron D (Silver)
Thomas H (Gold)

Well done to them all but a special mention to Thomas who dropped just 1 mark!



Karate News

Dear All

I am delighted to inform you of the successful results of your students following the Karate Grading on Saturday 21st March

9th Kyu - Orange Belt

*Ianthia F
Yr.2

8th Kyu - Red Belt

*Hari A
Yr.3
*Avyay A
Yr.3
*Mia Y
Yr.3

7th Kyu - Yellow stripe

*Neana C
Yr.3

7th Kyu - Yellow Belt

Mayra C
Yr.6

*These students jumped up a belt

~Sensei Sharon



Dates For Your Diary



RAINBOW CLUB DATES			
MARCH/APRIL			
MON 30TH	TUES 31ST	WED 1ST	THUR 2ND
BANK HOLIDAY	TUES 7TH	WED 8TH	THUR 9TH
MON 13TH	TUES 14TH	WED 15TH	THUR 16TH
JULY/AUGUST			
MON 20TH	TUES 21ST	WED 22ND	THUR 23RD
MON 27TH	TUES 28TH	WED 29TH	THUR 30TH
MON 3RD	TUES 4TH	WED 5TH	THUR 6TH
MON 10TH	TUES 11TH	WED 12TH	THUR 13TH
MON 17TH	TUES 18TH	WED 19TH	THUR 20TH
MON 24TH	TUES 25TH	WED 26TH	THUR 27TH

**SAVE
THE DATE**

Dates For Your Diary



APRIL

Monday 20 th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 21 st	TERM BEGINS (Whole School)

MAY

Tuesday 5 th	Y2 & Y4 Trip: Leeds Castle
Thursday 7 th	Y5 Trip Tower Bridge
Friday 8 th	PTA Prep Disco
Monday 11 th - Friday 15 th	School Journey (Y6)
Friday 15 th	Spotlights Performance (8am)
Monday 18 th	Y1 & Y2 St David's Dash
Friday 22 nd	Informal Summer Music Concerts
Friday 22 nd	END OF TERM - 4pm

JUNE

Monday 1 st	TERM RESUMES (Whole School)
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Tuesday 2 nd	Wishford Athletics Day
Tuesday 9 th	Lacrosse Regional Finals
Wednesday 10 th	Whole School Photo
Friday 26 th	Sports Day
Friday 26 th	Junior Duke Tea Party (4pm)
Tuesday 30 th and Wednesday 1 st July	Y6 & Y5 Production (Evening)

JULY

Saturday 4 th	CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS DAY
Monday 6 th	Y6 Prizegiving Evening
Tuesday 7 th	Beach Day
Thursday 9 th	END OF TERM (12pm Y6 12:30pm Pre-Reception - Y5)

- (H) = Home Game
- (A) = Away Game



Centenary Celebrations



Saturday 4th July 2026

2pm - 9:30pm

BBQ from Chapter One

Pizza Van

Bouncy Castles

Circus Skills

Pupil Performances

Zorbing

Bushcraft Sessions

Silent Disco

Ice Cream Van

Tea and Cake Stall

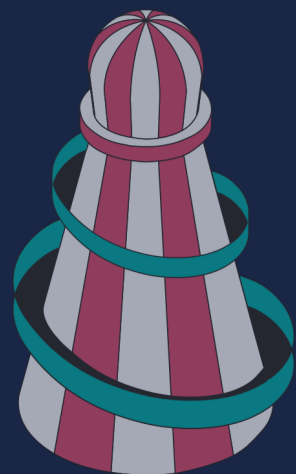
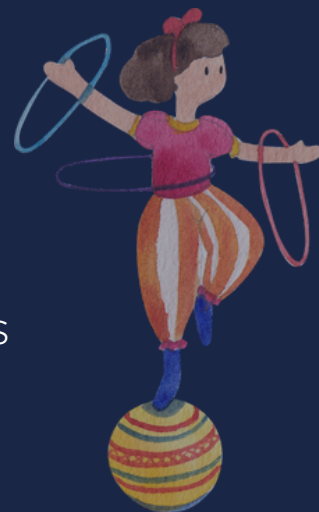
Bar

Musical Performances from Ex Davidians

Live Band The Plus Ones

Special Guest Entertainer

and more!



Join us and help us celebrate 100
Years of St David's.

Tickets must be purchased in advance
details to follow



PREP

Disco

FRI 8 MAY 2026

6PM

£5 (TO BE PAID TO
CLASS REPS)

PICK UP TIMES

YR3 - 7:45PM

YR4 - 7:50PM

YR5 - 7:55PM

YR6 - 8:00PM



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Did you know that your company may be able to boost the funds raised for the school?

Many companies offer "Match Funding" schemes, which can double the money we raise at events like our upcoming Christmas Fair!

If we raise £500, your employer could turn that into £1,000!

How You Can Help Us Raise More?

Ask your employer if they have a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) or match funding policy. Often, the HR or Community Relations department handles this.

We can provide the required information to process the match.

For more information please contact us stdavidspreppta@gmail.com or speak to a PTA member

Thank you for your continued support!

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