

Day School News

St. David, Dr. Seuss, and St. Patrick



Who Was St. David?

- ◆ He was born in the 6th century.
- ◆ He made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and founded 12 monasteries in Wales.
- ◆ He died around 544, and is the patron saint of Wales.
- ◆ The daffodil is the national flower of Wales, and a dragon is on the flag of Wales.
- ◆ Leeks are the national vegetable of Wales.
- ◆ His Feast Day is observed on March 1st.

All About Dr. Seuss

- ◆ He was born in Springfield, MA on March 2, 1904 and his real name is Theodore Seuss Geisel. He died on September 24, 1991 in San Diego, CA.
- ◆ Dr. Seuss wrote and illustrated more than 60 children's books but had no children of his own.
- ◆ His first children's book was *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*.
- ◆ He has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.
- ◆ The Amazing World of Dr. Seuss Museum is in Springfield, MA.

What About St. Patrick?

- ◆ St. Patrick was born in England, not Ireland.
- ◆ He was a shepherd.
- ◆ He lived and died before St. David was born.
- ◆ The shamrock with its three leaves represents the Trinity - God, Jesus, and The Holy Spirit.
- ◆ St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland



March Means Parent-Teacher Conferences

The teachers invite you to meet with them later this month for the spring conferences. This year the conferences are scheduled for Thursday and Friday, March 26th and 27th. On Conference Days, the preschool is closed but children who use extended care are welcome to attend their regular days.

Teachers will either use a Sign-Up Genius for their schedule or will post a "sign-up sheet" outside their classrooms. If the times available do not work for you, please call or email her - this time together is very important.

The conference is preferably "adults only." Tag team with another family in your class to share child care duties.

If you are unable to get here for your scheduled conference, please call the school office (302-475-3747), email the teacher or send a message through Procure.

Tax Year 2025 Information

Did you know that you can print your tax statement (which includes our ID number) from your Procure portal.

Our EIN is 51-6001202

If you have any questions, please call, email, or stop in to see Mr. Barrett in the school office.



A Note from Mrs. Mako



PLEASE, help me keep the children safely participating in all the activities that are offered daily in gym class, by sending them in with properly fitted, comfortable **SNEAKERS EVERY DAY!**

If it has snowed or it is raining and you want your child to wear boots or some other type of shoes when coming into school, please simply send your child's sneakers in in their school tote bag. We would be happy to help them change into their sneakers before they come to gym class (and change out of them afterwards).

If you have any questions, please feel free to see me in the gym!

Thank you!

Wendi Mako

Registration 2026-2027 Update II

Just a reminder that if you have completed the online registration form, please remember to pay the \$100 registration fee to complete the process. Cash, check, money order accepted in the office.

Of the current 2's moving to 3's, I know about all of them except one child!

Of the current 3's moving up to the 4's, I know about all except two children.

There are already 21 new 2's registered (mostly siblings)!

Calls are going out to families on the waiting list this week!

Summer 2026

Watch your child's cubby for information with the plans for this coming summer! It should be a GREAT ONE!

Fondly,
Janet Leishman

Staying Healthy

Please, if your child is staying home with a fever, please let us know! Remember, the policy is 24 hours fever-free without medication!

Washing those hands when you get to school and when you get home is key for both children and adults! Twenty seconds with soap and water really works!!

Everyone in Delaware knows that if you do not like the weather today, or even right now, WAIT and it will change! So be prepared for anything!

Make sure your child's spare clothes fit (they grew a whole lot over the winter)! Keep a sweatshirt or fleece here in the cubby. Mittens too, but hopefully by the first of April you can take those home.

Sunscreen is important, no matter what your skin shade is—but it does need to be signed in to the medication log. It can stay in your child's classroom and will be applied according to your directions.

Thanks—Your Child's Teacher



Curriculum Coordinator's Column

March is National Crafting Month!

Your child has the opportunity to create art in school each day! Most of the art experiences here, as in most preschools, are unfortunately, product-focused - meaning the children are given instructions, following steps, and trying to create something similar to a sample made by an adult. Product-based art is used more than process-based because there are more children involved and less time in which "to get things done." Process-based art experiences offer more freedom of expression. There is no right or wrong way, no sample is provided, it can be a calm and relaxing experience and is often of the child's choosing. But, it can be VERY messy!

If you have the time, creating a process-based experience at home can build a bond between you and your child that you will both forever remember. It can create more enjoyment of art, can leave your child feeling confident, successful, and relaxed. Creating art enables everyone to express their emotions.

Here are some ideas from Laurel Borngiorno with NAEYC to help encourage a child during those "artsy-crafty" times:

- * Play music in the background
- * Take the art materials outside to use natural light
- * Provide interesting materials
- * Let your child come and go from their project at will
- * SAY YES TO YOUR CHILD'S IDEAS!!!

Here are some art projects and unique materials to use:

- * Bath puffs
- * Bubble wrap (comes in a variety of sizes)
- * Cars & trucks
- * Combs, forks, toothbrushes
- * Fly swatters
- * Sponges, Q-tips
- * Shaving cream color transfer
- * Golf balls (use an empty box, put paper inside it, add paint and the golf ball and tilt the box to create the design)
- * Use glitter & glue (probably BEST done outside!)

I hope you and your child enjoy some of these artsy projects together soon! Happy crafting!

Gina Zarrilli

March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 St. David's Day 	2 Dr. Seuss Birthday PTPA 9 EC Close 5PM	3 Aladdin 5,3,2,1 Holi begins Sunset	4 Aladdin 6,4,2,1	5 Chapel, 9:10	6	7 Quiet Day St. David's Turn Your Clocks Ahead
8 Daylight Savings Time	9	10	11 Chapel, 9:10	12 All School Sing, 9:10 Gertrude Hawk Chocolates Delivery	13	14
15	16 Board, 7pm	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 All School Sing, 9:10	19 Chapel, 9:10	20 SPRING! Eid-al-Fitr Soccer Shots	21 PTPA PARTY GREAT HALL 7-9 PM
RAFFLE/SILENT AUCTION—GREAT HALL ALL WEEK!						
22	23	24	25 Chapel, 9:10 Soccer Shots	26 All School Sing, 9:10	Parent-Teacher Conferences Preschool Closed Extended Care Open	
29 Palm Sunday	30	31	1 All School Sing, 9:10 Passover Begins Sunset	2 Chapel 9:10 Maundy Thursday	3 GOOD FRIDAY CLOSED	4

March 2026-Morning Snack

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Food served is peanut and Tree nut Free	2 Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss! Special Snack	3 Breakfast Grilled Cheese/Bacon Sandwich OJ	4 Graham Crackers Banana	5 Mini Muffin Yogurt Cup	6 Cucumber Slices, Ranch Dip String Cheese, Ritz	7 1% Milk served Water is Available
8 Menu is Subject to Change Without Notice	9 Mini Bagels Cream Cheese Jam Juice	10 Animal Crackers Oranges	11 Multi-Grain Cereal Fruit Milk	12 DIY Rainbow Snack	13 Breakfast Bars Fresh Fruit	14 100% Fruit Juice Served
15	16 Shamrock Shakes Giant Goldfish	17 Parties or Chef's Choice	18 Pretzel Sticks Hummus	19 Frozen Yogurt Mini Wafers	20 1st Day Of Spring Snack!	21
22	23 DIY Puppy Snack	24 Vanilla Smoothie Breakfast Cookies	25 Mini Pizza Bagels Juice	26 Cinnamon Grahams Applesauce	27 Chef's Choice	28
29 Palm Sunday	30 Yogurt Bar (Granola, Ber- ries, Choc. Chips) Milk	31 Teddy Grahams Apple Slices	1 Parties or Chef's Choice	2 Parties Or Chef's Choice	3 Good Friday CLOSED	4

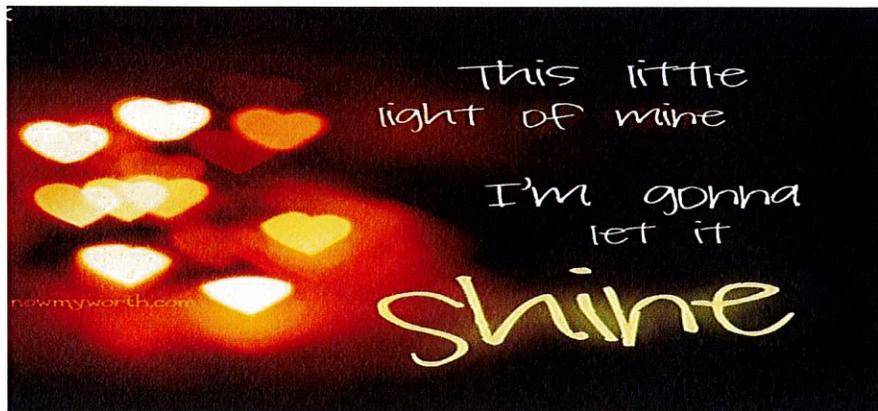
March 2026-Lunch

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Food served is peanut and Tree nut Free	2 Lunchables Deli Meat, Cheese, Crackers, Veggies, Dip Apples Fruit Roll-up	3 Broccoli Pasta Alfredo Parm. Cheese Garlic Toast Fresh Or- anges	4 French Toast Turkey Sausage, Syrup Peaches Grape Juice Yogurt	5 Pizza Pepperoni Parm Side Salad Dressing Pineapple Cookies	6 Fish Stix Smiley Fries Green Beans Bananas Milkshakes	7 1% Milk served Water is Available
8 Menu is Subject to Change Without Notice	9 Chicken Nuggets Tater Tots Carrots Peaches Cupcakes	10 Taco Tuesday! Soft Tortills Beef, Cheese Lettuce, Salsa Rice, Corn Oranges Cookies	11 Baked Beans Sliced Beef Hot Dogs Rolls Apples Frozen Treat	12 Waffles Bacon, Syrup Bananas Applesauce Yogurt	13 Cheese Tortellini Marinara Parm. Cheese Broccoli, Roll Mixed Fruit Brownies	14 100% Fruit Juice Served
15	16 Mac & Cheese Bacon Green Beans Roll Pears Blondies	17 St. Patrick's Day Lunch	18 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Goldfish Carrots/Dip Dessert???	19 Veggie Stir-Fry Yellow Rice Chicken Fresh Oranges Oreos	20 Chef's Salad Cheese, HB Eggs, Ranch, Chips Apples	21
22	23 Chicken Nuggets Tater Tots, Peas Peaches Cupcakes	24 Mini Sloppy Joes Roll, Cheese Corn Apples Frozen Treat	25 Mini Pancakes Syrup Turkey Sausage, OJ Bananas	26 Pepperoni Pizza Party Fresh Veggies Ranch Dip Fruit Salad Cookies	27 Pasta Marinara Sauce Roll Side Salad Oranges Brownies	28
29 Palm Sunday	30 DIY Sandwiches Meat, Cheese, Mayo, Pickles Fresh Veggies Veggie Straws Applesauce	31 Smashburgers Cheese, Roll Pickles, Fixin's Mixed Fruit Dessert in cup	1 Pasta Meatballs Marinara Cauliflower Rolls, Apples Peeps Treat!	2 Fish Sticks Cole Slaw Emoji Fries Veggies/Dip Applesauce Easter Treat	3 Good Friday CLOSED	4

March 2026-Afternoon Snack

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Food served is peanut and Tree nut Free	2 DIY Butterflies (Celery, Craisins, Sun Butter & Pretzels)	3 Frozen Treat!	4 Teddy Grahams Applesauce	5 Cheese Doodles Deli Meat Rollups	6 National Oreo Cookie Day!	7 1% Milk served Water is Available
8 Menu is Subject to Change Without Notice	9 Fresh Veggies Ranch Dip Crackers	10 Mario Day! Power-up Pizza Bites Princess Peach Punch	11 Cheese Cubes Pepperoni Juice	12 Pirate's Booty Bags	13 Goldfish Juice	14 100% Fruit Juice Served
15	16 Lucky Charms Snack Milk	17 Rainbow Goldfish Shamrock Punch	18 Jello Cups Graham Crackers	19 Fresh Fruit Vanilla Wafers	20 S'mores Trail Mix Milk	21
22	23 Chips & Dip Juice	24 Deli Meat Rollups Cheese Crackers	25 Vanilla Pudding Vanilla Wafers	26 Cheez Its Juice	27 Apple Wedges Sun Butter Dip Grahams	28
29 Palm Sunday	30 Corn Chips Cheese Dip Salsa	31 Gluten Free Snack	1 Fresh Veggie Sticks Hummus Pretzel Sticks	2 Sun Butter & Jelly Crackers Or Easter Treats!	3 Good Friday CLOSED	4

Chapel - An Engaging Worship Experience

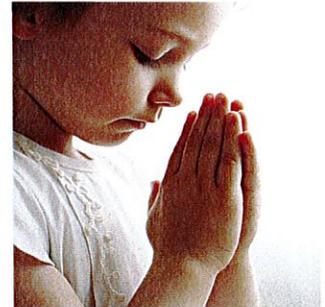


Chapel dates:

Thursday, March 5th	9:10
Wednesday, March 11th	9:10
Thursday, March 19th	9:10
Wednesday, March 25th	9:10
Thursday, April 2nd	9:10

Our Chapel Prayer

*Lord Jesus help me,
Day by day,
To grow like You
In every way.
So good, so kind,
So gentle, too.
That all may know
I follow You.
Amen*





St. David's PTPA invites
you to join us for



MISSION: STAFF APPRECIATION



Silent Auction Live: 3/15-21

**Use QR Code to Register to Bid today.
Items will be on view in-person in gym the 15th.**



NIGHT OUT

DESTINATION: 2000s

March 21st 7-9PM

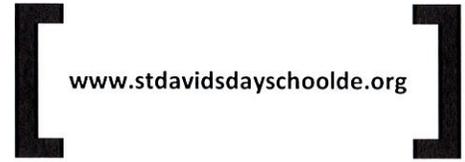
\$20 Tickets Use QR code to buy

**Throw it back to the most epic decade for a grownups-
only night out to support our school community!**



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We Are On The Web!



On the website, you will find calendars, snack, and lunch menus. There are articles by Bev Igo, former Curriculum Coordinator, about a variety of child development topics (early writing, why play with blocks, math activities, so on). The 2025-2026 Family Handbook is posted. The 2026-2027 Financial Policy is available there.

Start Here, Go Anywhere!

St. David's Episcopal Day School exists to provide a nurturing, Christian community where children can learn and grow. We do this through:

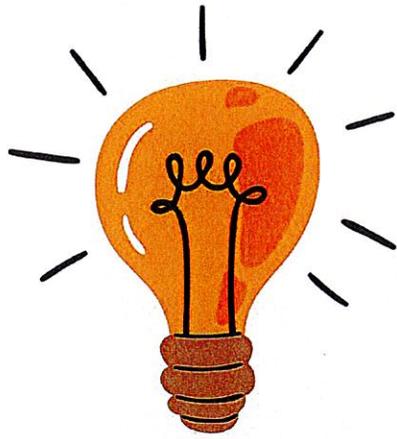
- L**Leading each child into caring relationships with peers and adults;
- O**ffering each child a stimulating learning experience;
- V**aluing each child's unique growth; and,
- E**ncouraging each child's awareness of God in the world.

Ours is a safe environment where children ages two through five are encouraged to grow spiritually, emotionally, cognitively, socially, and physically so their greatest potential may be realized.

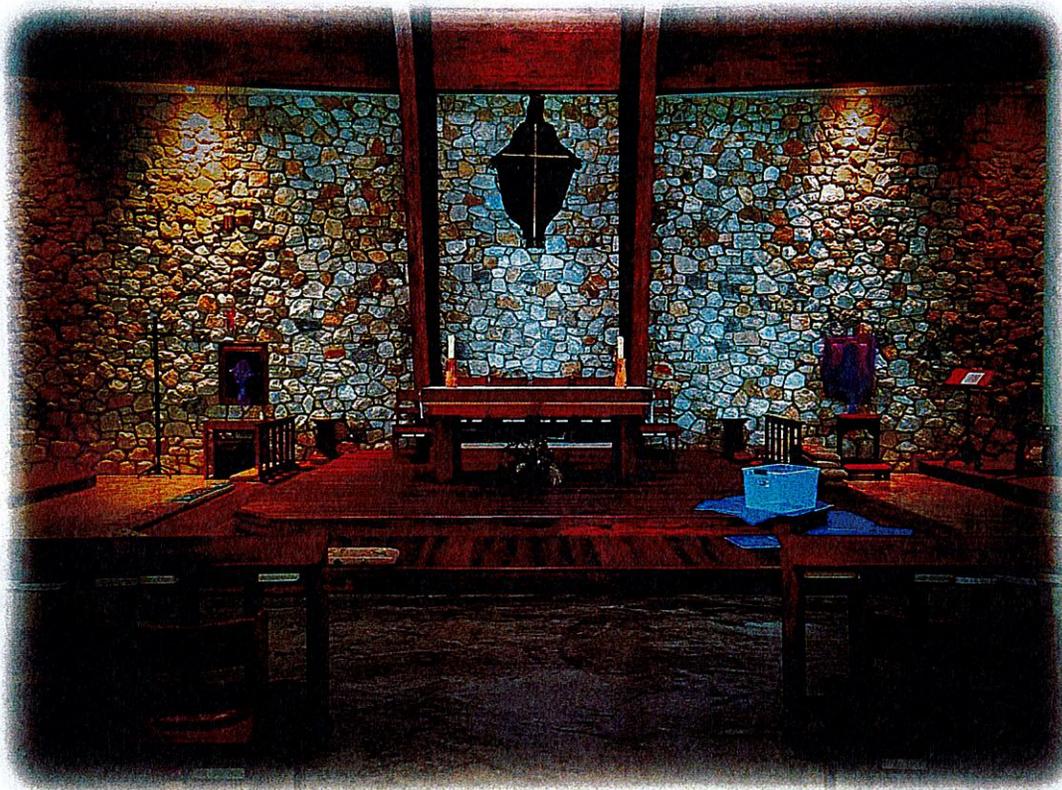
On the April 2026 Calendar



Thursday, April	2	Chapel, 9:10
	3	Good Friday—CLOSED
	5	Easter Sunday
	6 - 10	Easter Break, School Closed
	8	CPR Class, 6pm
	15	Chapel, 9:10
	19	St. David's Church Annual Mtg.
	20	Board of Directors' Mtg
	22	Music School of DE Visits
	23	Trash Can Dan Visits
		Chapel, 9:10
	27 - May 1	Staff Appreciation Week
	29	Chapel, 9:10
	30	Music School of DE Visits



Let Your
Light Shine



St. David's Lighting Project

Brighten our Nave by purchasing
a light in the name of a loved
one at \$200 per light.