



# Derby Grammar Development Diary

## March 2024

### St David's "Dydd Gŵyl dewi hapus"

March started with a bang with a visit to Wales and the celebration of its patron saint St David on the 1st.

The counter was decked out in Red Dragons and daffodils, and Andy and his Team treated the children with St David's Chicken stew, roast vegetables and decorated cupcakes.





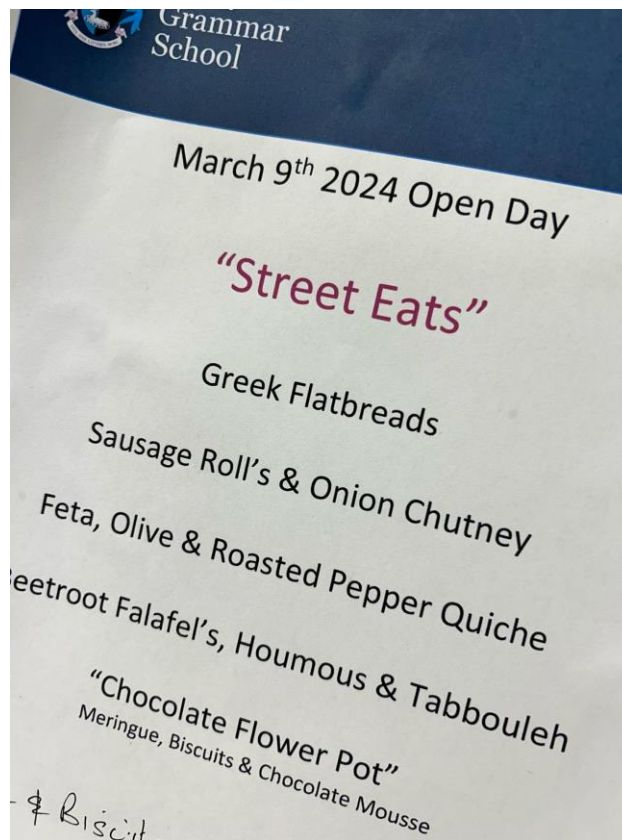


## Open Day

Saturday the 9th March saw Derby Grammar host another Open day for prospective parents and pupils.

This time we decided that it would a lovely idea to have Finger foods, and quick bites demonstrating the sort of foods that the current pupils and faculty enjoy on a daily basis.

The feedback from the visiting parents and children was extremely positive, and hopefully it can aid in the schools efforts to swell its ranks.













## Eat the seasons and healthy living

Wilson Vale has always been an advocate for healthy eating, and "eating the rainbow" of colours, to promote a well balanced and nutritious meal.

Andy has been continuing this fantastic ethos by encouraging the pupils to tried a varied diet, and also a raw, unprocessed diet. This is best achieved by making the salad bar as enticing as possible.

Pupils sometimes have a reluctance to try new foods, especially when they are combined together in complex compound salads. To this end Andy has been trying to segregate salad items as much as possible, whilst also offering single serve portions of the more complex salads.

The results have been stunning.









## Hindu Holi Festival of colour

March culminated in a wonderful riot of colour, sounds, smells and tastes with the Hindu festival of colour on the 25th.

Holi is a popular and significant Hindu festival celebrated as the Festival of Colours, Love, and Spring. It celebrates the eternal and divine love of the deities Radha and Krishna. Additionally, the day signifies the triumph of good over evil, as it commemorates the victory of Vishnu as Narasimha over Hiranyakashipu.

We were keen to show the full spectrum of this festival, by elaborately decorating the counter, introduce music, and showcasing all the delicious cuisine that the Hindu nation can provide. Over half of the Hindu nation are Lacto-Vegetarians, so in honour of the celebration, Andy devised a fully Vegetarian menu, but we decided to offer a Tandoori Chicken which was not on the menu in case.

It was a magical day, that was enjoyed by all.











## Events to look forward to

Unfortunately (from a Catering prospective), the School is on its Easter Half Term for the majority of April, so this will limit the events, and everyday education of the children in healthy world cuisine.

I will work closely with Andy and the Team on their return, to celebrate the delicious seasonal vegetables that April and May can offer, and also to construct a marketing calendar for Quarter two of the year.

Below is a snap shot of what we can look forward to over the coming weeks.

IN THE MONTH OF **APRIL**

# SPRING GREENS

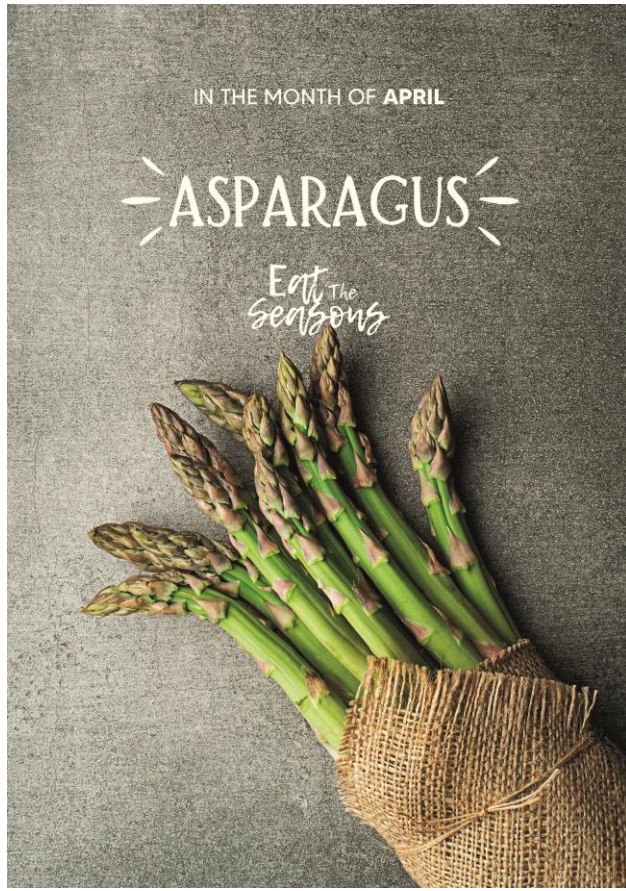
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IN THE MONTH OF APRIL

# ASPARAGUS

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IN THE MONTH OF MAY

# SPINACH

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IN THE MONTH OF **APRIL**

# Earth Day

*Make every day Earth Day*



# STAR WARS

STAR WARS DAY  
**MAY THE 4<sup>TH</sup>  
BE WITH YOU**



IN THE MONTH OF MAY

# WORLD BEE DAY





IN THE MONTH OF MAY



**NATIONAL BBQ WEEK**