

PARENTS NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

We've had a great start to 2019 here at St George's and Christmas seems like a distant memory! We have had some building work completed in our 2-3 year-old room, Moles, making the space bigger and brighter.

Our new minibus has arrived and the After School Club children have really enjoyed travelling in it.



We have lots of wonderful things planned this year and look forward to sharing them with you.

INFORMATION: SAFETY

Each person needs to make their own access into the building, which means not holding the door for parents when they come in. This is for the safety of all the children. We appreciate that at peak 'pick-up' times it can be take a few seconds more to enter the building, but we need to insist on this policy. We appreciate your cooperation.

St George's Management team

SQUIRRELS



The children have had great fun getting ready to celebrate Chinese New Year. They have been painting some pictures of fireworks and helping to make a giant dragon.

Our squirrels have done a lot of messy play which the children really enjoy. They have had fun with the water trays- filling up and emptying containers as well as experimenting playing with different textures.

MOLES



Moles theme this month is "My Body". We have been doing lots of activities including self-portraits, looking at teeth, talking about our heart and icing biscuits and putting a face on them. The children have been using their senses to explore the new sensory bag as well as using sensory playdough and smelling the different scents and feeling the textures.

Reminder: Please remember to regularly check the noticeboards for information about upcoming events. These are in the hallway and in your child's room.

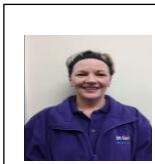
NEIGHBOURS

Please be aware that the Hamilton Estate, next to St George's is a private property and must not be used as a short cut to St George's grounds. Thank you.

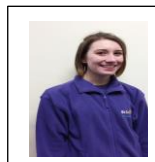
DIARY DATES

Last day of Little Dragons	15 th Feb '19
Tunbridge Wells Half Marathon	17 th Feb '19
February Half term Holiday Club	18 th -22 nd Feb '19
Little Dragons restarts	25 th Feb '19
Little Dragons finish for Easter and Quiz Night	5 th April '19

Leila started in Little Dragons in January and is taking over Karen Stewart.



Shannon has recently joined the St George's team as a Support Staff.



BADGERS



The children enjoyed two yoga sessions with Tatty Bumpkin this month, they practiced the Starfish pose with our teacher Hilary.

Badgers theme for February will be Chinese New Year, they will be making and tasting Chinese food and learning about the Chinese way of life. Thank you again for the support from parents and friends with Badgers fundraising- they have recently purchased new toys- look out for pictures in the next newsletter.

Little Dragons have had a wonderful time since coming back after the Christmas holidays. We have welcomed new children who are settling in well. Our topics this term is 'weather' and Winter and the children have been bringing in some



interesting items and books related to these topics. In craft we have used paper plates to make some beautiful rainbows. We have also made clouds and rain. To help with our numeracy and investigative skills, we will be making a weather station. Little Dragons love being outside whatever the weather and have had great fun playing with the parachute in the garden. We continued to enjoy our singing sessions with Ellie and had fun yoga sessions with Hilary from Tatty Bumpkin, during which we learnt the Crocodile and Spider poses.

Reminder: If you are not signed up to ParentZone yet please ask your child's key person how to register.

HOLIDAY CLUB

We have spaces left on 20th/21st and 22nd February for Holiday Club for school age children. If you wish to book a place please download a form from our website or email Kate kate.foulkes@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk



REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

- If you have any double buggies you don't need, St George's could make use of them. Thank you



- We would also welcome any spare scrap paper for craft projects if you have any.

LOVE US...RATE US!

We invite you to rate and write a review about St George's on our Facebook page and Google! Thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



In After School Club this January the topic has been Artic animals. The children enjoyed finding out facts about the animals as well as and painting and drawing different animals for the wall display.

The arrival of the new St George's minibus has been a very welcomed by the children- they think it's wonderful, especially the new cupholders!

FUNDRAISING



The Vitality 10k is one of the country's most popular 10k's and passes iconic London landmarks such as the London Eye, Big Ben and St Paul's Cathedral. If you're interested in joining #teamStGeorge's please email abi.aftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk or call 01892 543 982.

We're excited to confirm that we have two fundraising events coming up – a golf day at Lamberhurst Golf Club on 2nd May 2019. Tickets cost £65 per person and includes a bacon roll, 3 course meal and 18 hole golf course. We also have a quiz night on the 5th April at Tunbridge Wells Football Club. Tickets cost £10 per person and include a fish and chip supper. Please speak to Abi in the office for more information on either event or email abi.aftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk

If you have any unwanted Christmas presents that would be suitable for gifting, please consider donating them to St George's so we can use them in our raffles.

If you have any questions about your child's care or St George's in general, then please let us know. Thank you so much for your support, Morgane and the St George's team