

## WELCOME

The children have loved playing outside with our new water play table. Water is an open-ended activity which allows children to explore and make discoveries. Simple activities such as floating and sinking can help them to develop problem solving skills, as they learn why and how things happen.



## ILLNESS AND SICKNESS

We all get unwell from time to time and when children get poorly they prefer to be at home with their parent(s) than be at nursery with their peers. We appreciate this can be difficult for working parents, but we need to ensure that germs aren't spread around the setting to staff and other children. The staff at St George's always have your children's best interests at heart when it comes to health and especially considering a child from Squirrels that came down with meningitis and sepsis several weeks ago.

## FUNDRAISING

### QUIZ NIGHT

There are still tickets available so please come and join us for the Quiz night on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at Tunbridge Wells Football Club from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 per person and include a fish and chip supper. We will also be having a raffle on the night so if you wish to donate a bottle or another prize please drop it off in the office or in the box in the hallway at St George's. Contact Abi [abiaftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk](mailto:abiaftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk) for tickets or more information.

## GOLF DAY



We are holding a golf day at Lamberhurst Golf Club on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019. Tickets cost £65 per person and includes a bacon roll, 3 course meal and 18-hole golf course. Please purchase your tickets in advance from Abi in the office.

## Squirrels



Squirrels have had a busy month discovering and exploring Spring and Easter. They have used different textures and resources including lolly-sticks, cotton and potato mashers. With these items the children have been encouraged to explore and progress through their development.

They have made Easter eggs, sheep, bunnies, grass and a basket for the Easter eggs to go in.

St George's policies can be found on our website <https://stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk/information-for-parents-and-carers/policies-and-procedures>

**DIARY DATES**

Little Dragons Easter coffee morning	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
Little Dragons finish for Easter	
St George's Quiz Night	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
Badgers Easter bonnet parade	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
Easter Holiday Club	8 <sup>th</sup> April- 18 <sup>th</sup> 2019
St George's is closed	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> & Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019
Little Dragons start back	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019

**HOLIDAY CLUB**

We still have some spaces for Easter Holiday Club for school age children from 8<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> April. If you wish to book a place, please download a form from our website or email Kate.

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**Little Dragons**

Little Dragons have had a busy time since coming back from half term. For World Book day, the author Mat Waugh came in to read a couple of his latest children's books. They enjoyed listening to the Poet David Jinks reading his poems and even had a Princess come in to visit us.

Our topic this term is 'People Who Help Us'. Little Dragons had some firemen from the Kent Fire Service come to St George's with their fire engine. Staff and children were very interested to hear how the engine sounded up close and see some of the firemen's equipment. They also had a visit from Dr Mark, a local G.P. The children asked him lots of questions and even had a chance to use his stethoscope



In our craft activities we have been making Mother's Day cards, shamrocks for St Patrick's Day and to celebrate St David's day they brought some daffodils in and drew some beautiful pictures.

**After School Club**

This month's topic is 'Healthy Bodies and Healthy eating'. The children have drawn around a child and drawn in their vital organs to go into the body. The staff plan to cover the importance of drinking enough water and getting enough sleep. The topic will also include the significance of a well-balanced diet.

For Mother's Day the children will put chocolates into boxes they made earlier and write cards for their mummies.



Please feel free to drop off any donations for the Quiz night raffle in the box in the hallway or to the office.



## STAFF



Sarah is our new Receptionist and will work Wednesdays and Friday afternoons.



Ellie started in February working in Moles full time – her day off is Wednesday.



Leanna started working in Moles this month and her day off is Monday.



Mike is our new minibus driver.

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

## Moles

Moles have been discovering what lives under the sea. They have used a variety media and extended their language making fish, turtles, jellyfish, sea horses and a large octopus.

The room is moving into Spring creating their Spring farm board following the children's interest. They have already playing with farm animals in different textures.



## Badgers



The Badgers staff would like to say a big thank you to parents and children for raising £40.70 for Comic Relief.

The Badgers theme for March has been Spring and they children have created some lovely artwork for the board and they will be planting some sunflower seeds to take home and watch grow.

Everyone is looking forward to the Easter bonnet parade on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April from 10-11.30am. Each year the staff love to see the children's creations.

Siblings of the children are also welcome to take part in the parade and parents, grandparents and friends of the Badger children are welcome to attend. There will be tea, coffee and cakes on sale and we welcome your donations.

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.