

# **Newsletter**



October 2018

#### Welcome

We have all enjoyed a balmy start to Autumn and the children have really enjoyed being outside in the sun.

We are thrilled to welcome two new members of staff, Amanda joins us in Badgers and Taslema in Moles. We are looking forward to working with them.

#### The Mayors Toy Appeal

We know it's a bit too early to talk about Christmas trees just yet, but we like to be organised! Please look out for our lovely large Christmas tree donated by Tunbridge Wells Tree Works when it arrives next month.



We call this our 'Giving tree' – we add labels of toys requested from children in need and you can take the labels off and buy the toys online or a shop and return to a designated drop off points in and around Tunbridge Wells.

#### Gentle reminder

When dropping off or collecting your child please only park in designated parking spaces in the car park.

Please don't hold the door open for other parents. We know it might appear rude to close the door on someone, but it maintains the children's safety. Please ring the buzzer to their child's room or Reception if they are in the garden.

### Nursery News

# Squirrels



The children in Squirrels have had fun talking and making craft to do with Autumn. They have enjoyed using different materials to make leaves for the displays in the rooms.

#### Moles

Moles have been making owls, pumpkins and have drawn printed leaf pictures and made a tree for their display board.

The children have helped make pumpkin cake with Janette. They have also had fun with sensory play- exploring different textures with autumnal leaves, lentils, porridge oats, conkers and pinecones.



### **Badgers**

Badgers have been observing the life cycle of the butterfly, watching them develop and grow and then the children helped set them free in the garden.



#### Little Dragons



Little Dragons have had a great term learning about minibeasts and Autumn. They have gone on bug hunts, sung songs and read books. The children are excited about their next topic which is Superheroes and Christmas.

#### **Afterschool Club**

It's been Harvest time in the After School Club garden. The children have enjoyed picking beans and marrows and they are planting onions ready for next year.



# **October Half term Holiday Club**

The children in Holiday Club chose to have a Jurassic Science week and were busy making junk model dinosaurs, having a quiz and playing mad scientists and playing with slime.



# **Fundraising**



The quiz night held on 12<sup>th</sup> October in aid of St George's raised over £900! Thank you to everyone who supported the event- it was a great success.



Our Christmas Fair is going to be on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018. We rely on donations and volunteers to help makes this event a success so, if you're able to donate any toys, games or anything suitable for the adult tombola, please pop them into the office. If you're able to volunteer on the day, please email Abi on <u>abi.aftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk</u>



The Tunbridge Wells Half is taking place in February, and we have several members of staff taking part. If you would like to take part on behalf of St Georges, please get in touch by emailing <u>abi.aftalion@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk</u>

# Dates for the diary

St Georges Christmas Fair	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November
Little Dragons last day of term	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
Last day for nursery before Christmas	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
St Georges closed for Christmas	24 <sup>th</sup> Dec-1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2019
Little Dragons return for January	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2019

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