

Welcome

Throughout August we have experienced a variety of different types of weather but whatever the weather, we always make sure to have a lot of fun!!

The children have managed to keep cool inside during the heatwaves with water play, fans and making lollies. Outside, they have played under the shade of the gazebos and enjoyed playing with the water table and in the paddling pools.

The setting has been a bit quieter this month and this has given the rooms the opportunity to head out to the park.



Hedgehogs loved the swings at the park, Badgers had a great time feeding the ducks and Otters pretended to camp and make a fire in the woods.

Staff

We say goodbye to Jayne Russell, our fundraiser who leaves to start teaching again- thank you for all your hard work. We welcome Amy Pearce-Watts as Jayne's replacement; she has hit the ground running and we're looking forward to all the exciting events she's planning. She has created our August Fundraising newsletter- [Parents Fundraising Newsletter Aug 2022 \(stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk\)](#)

We are pleased to welcome Jerry Warran-Smith as our new co-Catering Manager. He was the Head Chef at Rose Hill Prep and we look forward to him starting in September.

Ellis, the Senior Childcare Leader in Moles is now on maternity leave and we wish her and her family well and look forward to hearing about the new baby!

Information

15/30 hours funding



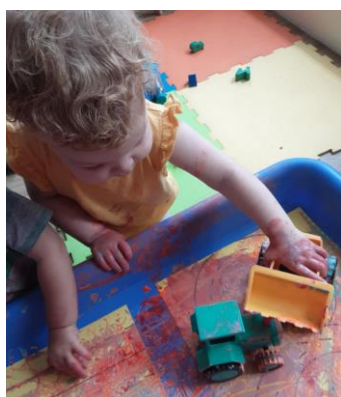
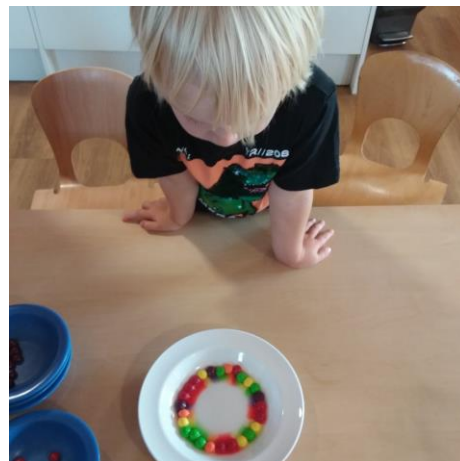
Please don't forget to sign your funding forms by the 12th September for the new term or you will miss out on the funded place and your invoices will be higher until January 2023.

If your child is new to funding, please also bring in a copy of your child's birth certificate to the office, many thanks.



Our computer software company, Connect Childcare, are ceasing to use Worldpay for payments via their platform from **Friday 14th October**.

We will update you with information on the replacement service in the coming weeks.



Diary Dates



Last day of Holiday Club	Friday 2 nd September
Little Dragons start back	Monday 5 th September
After School Club starts back	Monday 5 th September
Little Dragons end of term	Friday 21 st October
October Half term Holiday Club	Monday 24 th -Friday 28 th October
Little Dragon return after October half term	Monday 31 st October.

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Squirrels



The children in Squirrels have shown an interest in various types of vehicles. The staff have moved one of their rooms around which has allowed the children to be able to look at the window and see what different vehicles they can spot. So far, we have spotted some cars, vans and even saw an aeroplane in the sky.

The staff decided to create a transport board, to start this off we have used different vehicles to make marks. This is going to go in the middle of the board and then the children are going to design their own vehicles. We are going to design cars, vans, motorbikes, police cars, aeroplanes, trains and lots more.

Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs have enjoyed exploring their new theme 'Jungle'. The children have enjoyed using forks to paint lions, using cotton wool to dab on the giraffe's spots and sticking ears and eyes to their painted monkeys! We also made some elephants out of hands which are on display in the hallway! We've have enjoyed lots of jungle themed messy play, using play doh, dried chickpeas, coloured sand and water. They have also been practicing their animal sounds when playing. The children have specifically enjoyed roaring and pretending they're monkeys hanging from a tree!

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents that attended our activity morning, it was great to see so many parents there and we hope you enjoyed it too!



After School Club

We hope all the After School Club children have had a great summer holiday.

The team are looking forward to hearing all about they fun they've had and to welcoming our new reception age children into the club, some of whom are coming from our preschool rooms.

Moles

This month Moles have enjoyed learning about transport, creating their own trains, helicopters and cars with ink stamps! They loved talking about all the holidays they are going on over the summer and we made a summer display. Moles dived into the messy crafts with making flip flops, sunglasses out of bright sequins and loved the food colouring experiment with cotton pads to create ice creams!

The children have been super excited to use their new balcony which now has a mud kitchen and log seats, Thank you Robert!!

To end the month off, Moles hosted their own festival to which they all dressed in bright colours, made wrist bands, decorated cookies, made flower crowns and even went home with a goody bag! Next month we are eager for recycling week which commences on the 19th and diving into Autumn!



Holiday Club

We've had loads of fun at Holiday club this Summer. The children have shown off their brilliant artistic skills and created some beautiful artwork and handprints. Loom bands have been all the rage again and some of the children made a band that stretched the entire length of the room!

The weather has been amazing and we have enjoyed having lunch outside in the garden as well as visiting lots of local parks. The minibus certainly came in handy for our trips and had a great time bowling at the Bowl Plex, loved picking blackberries at Dunorlan and flying down the zipwire at St John's Park. Hope to see some of you for the next Holiday club.



Otters

This month Otters were inspired by the Commonwealth Games. We had lots of physical play, with the children trying out diving, mountain biking and rhythmic gymnastics. There was lots of brilliant risk taking.

We have also been talking about the different holidays we've been on with tuff tray farm role play and beach themed messy play.

We've enjoyed the hot weather and been out on lots of lovely trips to town and the park, playing on all the play equipment.

More recently, we have been exploring colours and feelings. The children have enjoyed doing experiments relating to colour mixing and looking at the Colour Monster book, talking about how they are feeling and what colours might fit into these emotions!



Badgers



Badgers have had a lovely hot and fun month. We managed to have a pool party before the hose pipe ban. Once temperatures cooled down, then the children really enjoyed themselves in the refreshing rain.

We have had many goodbye parties for our school leavers and many sad farewells. Thank you so much to the parents who brought items from our amazon wish list as presents for the room! They are very much appreciated.

The Badgers team have been able to go out on some lovely walks with the children to some parks this last month and it has been great to get out and about.

We also welcomed some new faces to Badger group. Some children have moved up from Moles and settled nicely and we welcome Deniz! Who is the new member of staff replacing dearly missed Gaby.