

February 2022

# Please wear a mask at the setting



## **Welcome**

As the evenings start getting lighter and the buds are coming out, we know it is getting close to Springtime. Springtime is always filled with lots of great things, including Pancake Day, Easter and our favourite Patron Saints Day, St George's day!!







### **Living Eggs**

We are very excited to be having a delivery from Living Eggs for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time. They arrive on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March and we can't wait! Here are some pictures from last year.







## **COVID 19- protocols**

- We ask that you continue to wear masks at drop off and pick up.
- If you have concerns or wish to share additional details, please can you call the office or email

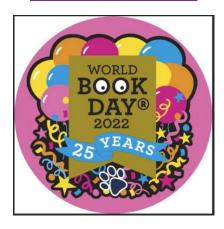
childcaremanager@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk

## 30 hours funding

Please don't forget to renew your 30 hours code. If you don't then we can't apply for the funding for your child. Many thanks

## **Dressing up for World Book Day**

28th Feb- 4th March



World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March and is celebrating its 25th year.

We like to make a whole week of it, so would like to invite your child to dress up any day next week.

We are asking for a voluntary £1 contribution and all donations will go towards additional toys and equipment for your child's room.

#### **Lost property**



This bag and its contents were left at St George's after our Christmas fair and haven't been claimed.

If you know who they belong to, please let the office know.

## **Request from Badgers room**

If you are out and about over the next week or so, please can you look out for some twigs and moss.

Badgers are planning some fun craft activities and would appreciate any contributions.

Many thanks



# **Holiday Club**



Easter Holiday club bookings are open now from 4-14<sup>th</sup> April.

Holiday club have enjoyed making many different types of crafts this week.

Sherrell (one of our Catering Managers) brought in some heart shaped potatoes, the children decided to make Valentines cards by printing the potatoes with paint. They have also made lots of jewellery, colourings and word searches.

They also had lots of fun and fresh air playing in the garden but everyone stayed inside on the Friday during the storm and played team games and enjoyed a hot chocolate.

# **Diary Dates**



World Book Day dressing up week	Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb- Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March
Pancake Day	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
Living Eggs coming to setting	Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March
Mother's Day coffee morning in Little Dragons	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 9-10 am

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# Squirrels



This month in Squirrels we have continued looking at different animals, including farm animals and read stories about dinosaurs.

The children have enjoyed several different types of messy play including one with oats. They used the oats as hay and the children found it fun to move the animals around and cover them with oats. A fun task has been to fill up various vehicles with different farm animals and their favourite is to fill up the tractor.

# Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs have enjoyed celebrating Chinese New Year and the children have made colourful lanterns with tissue paper, stickers and sequins.

The children have tried Chinese food including spring rolls, prawn crackers, soy sauce and more.

For National Kindness Day the children made cards for all the other rooms in the nursery and it was so sweet to see them hand them out.

For Valentines Day, the children loved making cards for their Mummies and Daddies, we hope you loved them too.





## After School Club

The After School Club have ben very busy making bird feeds which they hang in the garden and allotment.

They had a 'Lego' week, and all the children made some amazing things.

The children enjoy celebrating Chinese New Year, including eating their tea with chopsticks, which was very funny making tiger masks for the 'Year of the Tiger and had fun with fortune cookies.

They also iced and decorated cakes for Valentines Day just before they broke up for half term.



## Moles



Moles have had a busy month celebrating Chinese New Year, trying new foods and doing various crafts.

We have also celebrated Valentine's Day by baking some treats to have for snack time and for National Kindness Day, they made cards for the staff and other rooms to hand out.

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day next week and we will soon be talking about Spring.

# Little Dragons

The first week of February saw the grand opening of the Little Dragons Chinese Restaurant, the role play area was transformed so that the children could choose from the menus, write food orders, cook, serve, wash up and pay their food bills. The children had lots of fun taking turns as customers, chefs, waiters and owners.

The highlights for the week were sharing the experience with family members that were able to come in and enjoy some real Chinese inspired food and spend some time exploring Little Dragons for themselves!

The second week has been full of sensory, textured play investigating slime, foam, cereals and all sorts of strange combinations that the children wanted to explore.

After we returned from half term the children have had great fun elping to set up the Little Dragons Garden Centre!

A date for your diary:

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March for a Mother's Day Morning Coffee (9 – 10am)





## Otters

This month, Otters have been celebrating Chinese New Year. The children tried fortune cookies for snack and made beautiful money wallets, Chinese dragons and lanterns, had a Chinese restaurant in the home corner and read stories about the festivities.

We have also been celebrating National Storytelling Week. The Otters did a great job at creating their own stories and making them into videos.

Throughout the month we have been learning about the Winter Olympics. We have created lovely pictures to decorate our Winter Olympic board as well as trying out some of the different sports on offer. The children have even been able to watch some of the sports live on the tablets!

Janette also completed the Big Garden Birdwatch with the children. The Otters concluded that the pigeon was the most popular bird found by lots of the children, as displayed on the graphs that were made!





# Badgers







The Badgers room have had a busy month. They have had a birdwatching weekend and many activities such as making bird feeders for the garden and the children decorated bird pictures with feathers. The children had great fun bird spotting during their recent trip to St John's park.

The room celebrated Chinese New Year with making spring roll, practicing their fine motor skills with noodles and chopsticks. They made some wonderful craft items including Chinese lanterns, dragons and some beautiful pictures of cherry blossom trees.

The children made Valentines cards and appreciation hearts for their families.