

June 2022

Welcome

After another exciting month, we are now halfway through the year! Someone in the office said it was only 6 months until Christmas, which sounds far too soon!

The children have had lots of fresh air outside in the garden and enjoyed the literal fruits of their labour after harvesting their strawberries in the allotment.

As June is Pride month, the rooms have embraced the theme of colours, including a variety of colourful, messy, textured play.







As Early Childhood Educators, we know it is necessary to create welcoming environments that reflect and support the diversity among the families in our care. An integral part of anti-bias curriculum is to teach children to be proud of themselves and their families.

Staff

This month we have said farewell to Gaby, who is relocating to Wales.

We are excited to announce that we have several new starters; Deniz in Badgers, Leandra in Moles and Grace will start on our Bank Staff to cover staff holidays and absences.

Menus

After some recent parent feedback, the team has reviewed our menu and made it more varied with even healthier options. We really value your comments and feedback. As a setting we are happy to make changes and improvements to continue to provide an excellent service.

We are pleased to now share our updated summer menus with you all. <u>Summer-Menu-July-2022.pdf (stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk)</u>

Summer Fair

We have had to change the day of our Summer Fair to **Saturday 9th July** to avoid clashes with other local events.



Please return the white bags by **1**st **July** and the raffle tickets money and stubs to the office by **8**th **July** at the very latest. Many thanks.

School Leavers

If your child is leaving to go to school this summer, please can you let the office know when their last day will be.

Thank You!



A BIG thank you to Becky from Moles for raising an incredible £514 and completing the Yorkshire Three Peak challenge.

You can still donate, please follow the link

St George's Community Children's Project:
Becky's Fundraising (enthuse.com)

Holiday Club



There are still spaces available for our fun Summer Holiday Club.

Starting Monday 25th July until Friday 2nd September.

If you would like to book a space, please email Kate Foulkes kate.foulkes@stgeorgeschildcare.co.uk

Photo gallery













Diary Dates



Badgers Sports Day	Wednesday 6 th July
School Leavers party for Little Dragons, Otters and Badgers	Wednesday 13 th July
Last day of term for Little Dragons	Friday 22 nd July
Last day for After School Club	Friday 22 nd July
First day of Holiday Club	Monday 25 th July
Squirrels Activity Morning	

Please review us

St George's Childcare, 7 Chilston Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 9LP (daynurseries.co.uk)

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www.facebook.com/StGeorgesChildcare

Squirrels

This month squirrels have been exploring a variety of messy play and crafts activities. The children have been able to explore different textures and colours and to use all senses during these activities. This has also given the children the opportunity to work on their fine motor skills, by using a variety of tools. We have been exploring paint, flour, shaving foam, pasta, ice, oats and much more. This has also been a great way for the children to form friendships with each other as they have all been taking part in group activities.

Hedgehogs

This month hedgehogs have enjoyed celebrating the Queens Jubilee, we made crowns, medals and carriages for our new display board! The children loved their party tea in the garden to celebrate the occasion.

Hedgehogs have been making lots of crafts including painting bumble bees, sticking different textures to a caterpillar and painting butterflies and dragonflies.

We now have our caterpillars which we are watching grow!





After School Club

The After School Club have enjoyed celebrating the Queen's Jubilee this month. They came back from school all dressed up after their picnics and carried on their celebrations at St George's.

They designed and made posters and then had a Jubilee tea for the end of half term along with lots of yummy cakes.



Moles

Moles kicked off this month by celebrating the Platinum Jubilee and made various beautiful crafts to display around the room. They have also been learning about colours and different textures, including gloop, shaving foam and sand play. They have been kindly gifted some new items from their Amazon wish list and have really enjoyed the new toys, thank you. With the weather getting hotter Moles have also enjoyed lots of water play and were very happy when the paddling pools came out! Moles have spent time talking about who/what they love and why, for example "I love my mummy and daddy because they are kind". Moles are looking forward to their new topic of Summer & Beach alongside an under the sea theme.





Little Dragons

Jubilee Week and party was one of the highlights of the calendar this year, the children had so much fun learning about the Queen, where she lives, what she does and they even had a visit from someone who remembered the coronation!

Thank you for coming to Parents Evening and to all the Dads and relatives who attended the Father's Day breakfast, he bacon rolls went down a treat!

We have been meeting lots of new children who will be starting with us in September. We are also looking forward to our Sports Week, Beanstalk competition and a visit from Zoolab- details to follow soon!







Otters

Otters enjoyed celebrating the Queen's Jubilee at the start of the month. We had a lovely party tea in the garden and enjoyed making crowns and pictures to display.

We celebrated Child Safety Week by looking at the safe way to crossroads, learning the number to dial for the emergency services and becoming Health and Safety officers, going around the building spotting different things that keep us safe. The children also thoroughly enjoyed becoming firefighters after a visit from the local fire safety people!

We have begun to look at a new topic of Under the Sea, with the children celebrating World Ocean Day. The children enjoyed a tuff tray activity where they looked at the different sea creatures that live underwater and used their sense to describe the different textures of objects under the sea. We have enjoyed lots of healthy snacks as part of Healthy Eating Week, including fruit smoothies and making faces with fruit and vegetables! We also spoke about the importance of keeping hydrated!





Badgers





Thank you to the parents who have purchased things from our amazon wish list! We add new things all the time so please check it if you wish.

Our allotment has borne fruit and we have dined on strawberry smoothies and lettuce leaves for our snack.

We looked at healthy eating and made lovely smoothies out of different types of fruits.

The hot weather has been a nice change of pace and we have done lots of water play to keep cool and also indulged in ice lollies.

The children were very interested in under the sea this month and spent a long-time making a under the sea display, learning about different creatures and drawing them themselves.

For Pride month, the children have created colourful flags and we have enjoyed reading some books on inclusion.