

Welcome

We have had another busy and fun-filled month here at St George's and can't quite believe that we're almost halfway through the year already!

The setting has been abuzz with lots of Jubilee preparations for the last couple of weeks. The staff have come up with exciting ideas for the children to enjoy, including messy play, crown making and decorating their rooms with bunting and colourful pictures- please check out the pictures on page 2.



For the last few days in May we're dressed up in red, white and blue and Badgers have had a Pyjama fundraising week.

Thank you to all the parents for their donations and contributions, we have raised over £120.

We hope you all have a wonderful extra long Jubilee Bank holiday weekend, and we look forward to hearing about all the things you and the children have been up to.

Staff

We have welcomed our new co- Catering Manager, Nikki Tucker to St George's. She has joined our well-established and successful catering team managed by Julie H, as the other Catering Manager, along with Julie C and Caz.

We are proud to announce that Lucy is now the Senior Childcare Leader in Otters, with Jade as her Deputy. And after only a year of service, Becky G in Moles has been promoted to Deputy in Moles, well done ladies and congratulations!

Menus

After some recent parent feedback, the team are reviewing the choices on the menu. We really value your comments and feedback. As a setting we are pleased to make improvements and continue to provide an excellent service.

Parent's Evening

Thank you to the parents who attended our annual Parent's evening on Wednesday 25th May. If you were unable to attend and still wanted to discuss your child's development, then please arrange a time with your child's keyworker.

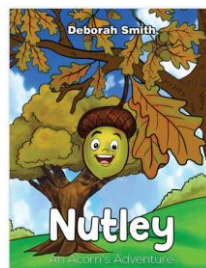
Summer Fair

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

Staff book



One of our members of staff has written a book!

Nutley is a little acorn. A little acorn on a big oak tree. One day, Nutley started to wobble...

Nutley is a story to share and enjoy with little ones, with a focus on learning about the world around them and emotional development.

[Nutley](#) | [Book](#) | [Austin Macauley Publishers](#)

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



Hedgehogs display board



Freddie the Tortoise who came to visit Badgers



Moles display window



Holiday club's Jubilee banner



Badger's artwork



Squirrel's door



Otter's artwork



Little Dragon's bunting

Diary Dates



Holiday Club finishes	Wednesday 1 st June
St George's CLOSED for Jubilee Bank Holidays	Thursday 2 nd and Friday 3 rd June
St George's OPENS	Monday 6 th June
Little Dragons return	Monday 6 th June
Healthy Eating Week	13 th to 17 th June

Please review us

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Squirrels



This month, the weather has been very random, so we decided to do some experiments and make some sensory bottles that look like the seasons. The children helped squirt the shaving foam on top of the water, they then used pipettes to drip some food colouring through and they watched it as the food colouring sunk through the shaving foam making it look like it was raining in the jug. They added glitter, cotton wool, leaves and pom poms. We're continuing to look at the seasons and we are in the process of making a garden board with different bugs and creatures.

Hedgehogs

This month hedgehogs have enjoyed exploring their theme transportation. We have enjoyed colouring with cars, making tyre marks in messy play and racing our handmade boats.

We also have lots of physical fun in the garden using the cars and scooters. He celebrated the Jubilee with King and Queen dress up day and a Jubilee display board displaying the children's artwork.



After School Club

The After School Club children have been planting potatoes in the allotment as well as sowing pumpkin and sunflower seeds.

We will be seeing who can grow the tallest sunflower, keep an eye out for pictures!

To commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee the children have been designing and decorating their own posters.



Moles

In the past month Moles have enjoyed loads of different subjects and have loved the change in weather. Moles learnt about the Festival of Eid by painting moons, bunting and making stars using lolly pop sticks. The children got stuck into learning about all the different types of animals and created some amazing art for the wall display including cows, 3D elephants and spiders out of pipe cleaners. Recently we have been looking at dental care and how we take care of our teeth by practising with a toothbrush and reading some books. Moles are looking forward to celebrating the Queens Jubilee and learning about the change in weather, especially keeping safe in the sun!



Little Dragons

The Little Dragons children have been interested in watching some seeds they planted germinate and start to grow, it is very exciting to be able to see the roots appearing in the special planter, they will be bringing their bean plants home soon to look after for the biggest beanstalk competition! We are all waiting expectantly for our tadpoles to start their transformation into froglets. The team have been talking to the children about recycling and got them involved in what items we can recycle. Little Dragons performed amazingly at their Spring concert; it was fantastic to have so many family members here to support them.

Dad's... your children will be hosting a Father's Day Breakfast on Wednesday 15th June between 9 and 10am.



Otters

In May, Otters celebrated Sun Awareness Week. The children enjoyed learning about the different things needed to keep them safe in the sunshine. We had a water play activity to stress the importance of keeping hydrated and drew a big sunshine in the garden using chalks! We have also been enjoying the warmer weather, celebrating by having the paddling pools out and our very own 'Otters Beach' inside where they felt and described the different textures on their feet! The children enjoyed keeping cool and even had a splash war with Tracey!

We also decided to learn about the Zoo. The children enjoyed painting various zoo animals, including George the Giraffe. They enjoyed feeding him his food! We also made Ellie the Elephant, who had great fun spraying the children with the water from her trunk! The children also took part in various craft and tuft tray activities, including making lion masks and an aquarium water play activity.



Badgers



We have been delighted to see Freddie the tortoise again after his hibernation.

The weather has been so nice and we have been out in the garden making the most of it.

(please remember sun cream and sun hats)

From our phonics training we got some useful activity and resources ideas and so now have story sacks, a song bag and listening activities which the children really like to do at carpet and circle times.

The children have really been enjoying their new resources. We got a new cleaning set which the children have really enjoyed helping to keep the room clean. The new tool kit has also been a hit.

Discussions are ongoing about school and trying to help the children come to terms with the changes.

We are very sad to say goodbye to Megan and wish her all the best on her adventure.