

Weekly Newsletter 13th January 2010

Book Week – This takes place 8th to 12th February. We have the usual visiting author and families have been given the book and CD form from Adam Bushnell. Please return them by 22nd January if you wish to order autographed copies! Classes will have special cooking, reading and creative writing and art activities during the week. On Monday and Tuesday there will be book sales and there will also be an opportunity for parents to come in and read to classes.

Each class teacher will issue more information before the week starts. Look in the red bags for more information. Book week theme this year is animals.

Funny Hat Day – As a warm up to book week, the primary student council are organizing a funny hat day on Friday 5th February. All pupils and staff in primary (Early Years up to year 6) are invited to create a hat at home and wear it on Friday. The idea is also to raise money for Unicef, and so participants are asked to pay 1.50 euro. Please aim to make or decorate a hat yourself rather than simply buying one!!

Thursday Coffee Morning – A reminder that the weekly coffee morning is open to all parents and takes place in the canteen building across the playground. This is the single storey building! Feel free to come across after morning drop off any Thursday morning.

Coffee Mornings – Year 8 coffee on Wednesday 20th January at Namur, from 2-3pm.

Year 1 parents are invited to coffee in the school canteen on Wednesday 20th January after morning drop off. Come along to welcome in the New Year and say Hello to faces known and new! Please come along even it is just for a quick coffee!

Year 3T coffee at Namur on 26th January at 2pm.

Playgroup Questionnaire – An e mail went out to all families last week concerning a possible playgroup on site. Spare copies are available at the reception desk if you didn't return a copy yet and are interested.

Year 9 Options Evening – Mr Fossey and the secondary staff will be updating parents of pupils going into year 10 in September about the IGCSE options. This meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd February from 6-7.30pm. Parents and pupils are welcome to attend and teachers will give details of the courses.

RSS Feed - The school has now made an RSS feed available to keep parents up to date with the newsletter and events in school. The feed is available from the front page of the website, or through

<http://www.st-georges.lu/stgeorges.xml>



Pirate Day – Thank you to everyone who made such a great effort with pirate day yesterday. Pupils and staff had a lot of fun!! There was a lot of learning and many treasure hunts during the day.

School Fayres - Thank you to everyone who came and supported the school at the Christmas Fayre. You were many to volunteer both before and during the event, so a huge thanks to you and to the teachers who rolled up their sleeves and got stuck in! We've had lots of fantastic feedback from you –and we are so pleased that you and your children had so much fun. Father Christmas was a particular success! Over 4,300 euro was raised on the day, so we now have nearly 8,000 euro to spend on shaded seating areas for the children. Mrs Duxbury will be getting together with the landscape gardeners as well as the Fayre organisers in the coming weeks to discuss what we can buy and to confirm a suitable location. We will of course keep you updated through the newsletter.

Reception swimming – Reception Fyfe and Godbold classes are swimming every Tuesday to Easter.

Cake Sale – Year 4 are holding a cake sale on 18th January to raise money for the Haiti appeal. The group is learning about earthquakes and volcanoes this half term and so in line with this they are fundraising for the earthquake appeal. Pupils in year 3-6 will be able to buy cakes from the sale, so they may bring in up to 3 euro each to spend. The cakes will be on sale at breaktime and donations would be welcomed.

Early Years – If parents have a pair of snow trousers or salopettes for use during the school day please can children bring them in. They are enjoying snow playtime at the moment but the shower proof suits provided in early years are not waterproof.

Snow Lists – A reminder that in the event of the school being closed in bad weather or any other emergency situation, the announcement will be made on ara city radio 103.3, and you will receive a phone call from one of our class reps. The Headteachers will make the decision early in the morning and will alert staff, who will alert the reps. Please ensure that if you change one of your phone numbers during the school year, you always let us know immediately.

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Dates for your diary

14th January.....Open coffee morning in canteen from 8.30am

18th to 29th January.....Year 11 mock exams

20th January.....Coffee mornings year 1 and 8

3rd February Year 9 options evening 6-7.30pm

8th to 12th February.....Book Week



15th February.....Half term holiday
24th February.....Secondary School open morning 10-11.30am

Paperwork issued to students this week

Medical letter to all secondary pupils
IGCSE and A level letter to all exam candidates

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