



Newsletter



Don't forget to read this section

29th March 2017



Important Dates

Wednesday 29th March
Primary Parent/Teacher/Student
Evening (1st session)

Thursday 30th March
Year 3 & 5 Performance (6:00pm)

Friday 31st March
Secondary Easter Ball
Parc Belle Vue Hotel, (7:00 - 10:00pm)

Friday 31st March
Year 6 Beaufort Parent Assembly
(8:30 - 8:50am)

Thursday 6th April
Secondary Easter Fayre
(2:30pm- 5:00pm)

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After Work Party & Silent Auction
at Come à la Maison (7:30pm)

Canteen Order Forms AVAILABLE NOW

The new [Canteen Menus](#) are now available on the Parent Portal. Please submit the [new order forms](#) by **Friday 7th April**.



Primary students
Enter COBIS Poetry
competition!



ASL Performances
Hosted at St George's



St George's one of the
first to Receive COBIS
Patron's Accreditation



Year 6
Residential Dinant
Photos

Dear Parents,

Following the recent visit by a group of visitors from COBIS, I am very pleased to announce that the school has now been awarded the COBIS Patron's accreditation as one of three pilot schools globally (the other two being in the Middle East and Asia). It is a welcome testament to the hard work and dedication of our students and our staff across the school as the Patron's accreditation aims to set a new standard for British international schools world-wide.

Parent-teacher evenings in Primary are tonight and next week and I hope that the meetings are useful and helpful; you will also see an excellent report from Year 6 in the newsletter on their recent visit to Dinant. Four students in Madame Guth's French class made the trip to Brussels as part of 20 finalists to participate in the Bayard-Milan competition – well done indeed!

Secondary oral examinations are underway in Modern Foreign Languages this week and students are coping admirably as well as preparing no doubt for the Secondary Ball on Friday.

The Relais pour la vie begins on Saturday evening with a strong team from the school attending; if you have not done so, please do consider donating a euro or two to our colourful candle in Reception.

With my best regards,
Dr Barkei

Whole School News

Bills Sent out Via Email

The next Extras Bills - Jan-Easter 2017 (Canteen, Fun Club, Clubs, Music lessons etc.) will be emailed later this week in a PDF format. The payment is due by **April 30th, 2017**.

If you need any further information or do not receive the e-mail by **Monday 3rd April**, please contact Ms Werner at **billing@st-georges.lu**. Thank you.



School App - Your Opinion Means a lot to us

St George's is researching a School App to enable instant communication between the school and parents.

Your feedback is invaluable to us. [Click here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z8ZP5TT) to fill out the short questionnaire (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z8ZP5TT>).



504.86 EUR Raised by Collecting Copper Coins!

A huge thank you to all of those who contributed to the Coin dragon. It raised a fantastic €504.86! Many thanks to Alex H who drew the dragon for us and anyone who helped stagger to the bank with it all. This money is a huge boost to our Relais pour la Vie fundraising.



Our Relais pour la Vie Candle Needs Some More Colour!

To conclude our fundraising for Relais pour la Vie please buy a sticker to help us fill the candle! The sticker colours represent St George's house colours: Fire, Water, Earth, Wind. Each sticker costs 1€ and the house with the most stickers will win house points!

Let's try to complete this multi-coloured candle! Stickers are available at Reception. **Yellow** stickers represent: Wind | **Red** stickers represent: Fire | **Blue** stickers represent: Water | **Green** stickers represent: Earth. Thank you!



The St George's Mug Design Contest

About the Competition

All students from Primary and Secondary are invited to enter our Mug Design Competition. The winning design will be featured on a limited-edition mug that will be available for purchase.

The Design

The design should answer the question 'What does St George's mean to you?' Be creative. There are no limitations, we welcome all styles of artwork.

Design Specifications

The size of the work must be 190mm x 80mm. (The design must fit the entire area).

Please do not use pencils – all materials used must be bright enough for it to be printed.

We will also accept digital artwork (Adobe Illustrator/InDesign/JPEG/PDF).

Please make sure your name and class is clearly marked on the back of the artwork.

Please submit your artwork to Reception – Attention: Ms Natasha Stone (Communications) or email **communications@st-georges.lu**. All entries must be received by **10:00am on Friday, 7th April 2017**.



The Spirit of Africa: Script & Songs Available to Purchase NOW

We are pleased to announce that we have produced a beautiful A4 booklet of The Spirit of Africa performance! The booklet contains the full script, songs, photos and artwork plus a CD recording of the music to sing along to.

All profits will be donated to Water Aid and other environmental charities. Suggested donations start at 12 euro. Thank you.



Whole School News

Club News

The Following Clubs Will be Cancelled After the Easter Holidays:

Sewing and Knitting Club	Mondays	Lunchtimes	Year 3-Year 4
French Booster Club	Mondays	3:30 – 4:30	Secondary
Hip Hop Club	Tuesdays	3:15 – 4:30	Year 5-Year 6
Sewing and Knitting Club	Wednesdays	3:15 – 4:30	Year 3-Year 4
Art Club	Wednesdays	3:15 – 4:30	Year 5-Year 6

ECO Club (Year 3-6)

Teacher: Mr Atkinson, Wednesdays 3:15-4:30pm

This new Eco club is for Years 3-6 (Key Stage 2). The club will cover energy saving methods; such as measuring weekly or monthly energy use, measuring rainfall and thinking about how we re-use water. The club will also highlight the need for saving energy, recycling initiatives and will encourage wildlife in the school grounds. For more information please email clubs@st-georges.lu.

Spaces Available in Tuesday's Dance Club - Latin (Years 1-4) (3:15- 4:30pm).

For more information please email clubs@st-georges.lu.

Clubs For the New Academic Year - Calling All Parents!

Would you like to run an After-School Club? If so, please get in touch and tell us all about it!

Our Clubs Secretary is waiting to hear from you! Please email clubs@st-georges.lu.

Thank you in advance.

Friends of St George's

Anyone for Keelen?? | Thursday 4th May | 7:00pm

Members of the Friends of St George's have organised a Keelen Night (traditional luxembourgish skittles, also known as Jeu de Quilles). The event will take place in the evening of **Thursday 4th May**, from 7:00pm at the Bounewegerstuff pub in Bonnevoie. Price: 15 euro, simple chicken/vegan rice salads and appetisers are included in the price. Any proceeds will go towards the 'Friends of St George's Fund' which promotes integration within this community and future school development.

Limited places are available, please book via friends@st-georges.lu. Thank you.



Last Week to Buy your Tickets for the After Work Party & Silent Auction

Parents, Staff and friends are invited for an after work dinner social at Come à la Maison (70 Route d'Esch, L-1470 Luxembourg) on **Friday 12th May**. There will be delicious food, wine, dancing, live DJs and a Silent Auction!

In order for this event to take place we need to sell 80 tickets before the Easter Holidays - so if you want to attend please get them before Friday April 7th. Thank you.

Tickets are 50 euros each and are on sale at the Reception Desk.

So, what are you waiting for? Come join us and have some fun!

For more information please contact friends@st-georges.lu.

Looking for Sponsors or Donations for the Silent Auction

If you have any contributions you'd like to make towards the Silent Auction they will be gratefully received. Please drop them off at the Reception desk. Thank you very much.

Primary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

Thursday 30th March
Year 3 & 5 Performance
(6:00pm)

Friday 31st March
Year 6 Beaufort Parent Assembly (8:30 - 8:50am)

Monday 3rd April
Parent Assembly Year 4
Pettingen (8:30 to 8:50am)

Tuesday 4th April
Year 5 Day Trip for their IPC unit (8:30am - 4:00pm)

Tuesday 4th April
House Day Year 1 - Year 6
Students to come into school
wearing their house colours

Wednesday 5th April
NEW DATE: Easter Ball Year 3

Thursday 6th April
Medicals, Year 3 Koerich

Thursday 6th April
Primary Parent/Teacher/
Student Evening (2nd session)

Friday 7th April
Year 4 Differdange, Parent Assembly (8:30 to 8:50am)

10th - 21st April
Easter Holidays

24th - 27th April
Year 3 Trip to Chevetogne

Friday 28th April
St George's Day

Friday 12th May
After Work Party & Silent Auction at Come à la Maison
(7:30pm)

Primary News

School Medicals

Please be advised that the next school medicals will be:-

Year 3H – 30th March 2017

Year 3K – 6th April 2017



Year 3 & 5 Performance | A Fairy Intelligent Tale |
Thursday 30th March | 6:00pm

Year 3 and Year 5's upcoming performance will take place tomorrow (**Thursday 30th March**) at 6:00pm.

Please remember students will need to be in school at 5:30pm. If they are in Fun Club, they will be taken directly from Fun Club to the dress rooms.

Tickets are available via the Parent Evening Booking System (<https://stgeorgesinternationalschool.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/>).

Feel free to contact communications@st-georges.lu with any technical issues regarding the booking system.

Primary Parent Evening Booking System

Booking for the Primary Parent/Teacher/Student Evenings is available on our [Parent Evening Booking System](#). Parents who had meetings with the specialist teachers (PE, Music, French, Art) on the last Parent Evening in the Autumn term are kindly asked to book only with the classroom teacher this time so that other parents are able to meet the specialist teachers as well. Other appointments are first come, first served, so parents are encouraged to book early. Feel free to contact communications@st-georges.lu with any technical issues related to the booking system. The next Primary Parent Evenings will take place on **Thursday 6th April**.



St George's Parent Takes On SOS Nepal Challenge!

St George's parent Vic Parashar is enroute to the Himalayas as he takes up the SOS Nepal Challenge with a team of 20 to raise money for the SOS Children's villages in Nepal.

He will be trekking to the Everest base camp and Annapurna base camp in Nepal with the highest point more than 5000 meters of elevation. Primary students learnt about the ambitious challenge and its noble purpose during a presentation from Vic at the assembly on the 6th March, perfectly aligned with St George's vision of *Achieving potential through challenge and care*.

The children learnt about Nepal, the Himalayas, Mount Everest the highest peak in the world and also about the schools, hospitals and villages run by SOS Children's to help the victims of the Nepal earthquake. They found out that the value of 1 euro is enough to pay for daily meals for a child and 50 euros is enough to cover the monthly school fees for a child in Nepal.

Everyone is encouraged to donate for this cause via this link: <http://www.sosve.lu/en/L-association/Evenements/Annapurna-Base-Camp-Trek/Vic-Parashar.aspx>. Thank you for your support.



Digital Leaders in Milepost 3

As the Year 3 and Year 5 performance of 'A Fairy Intelligent Tale' approaches, it is worth remembering the work that goes on behind the scenes. Alex, Garance, Naomi, Samuel and Sebastian, the Year 5 Digital Leaders, have been giving up their Monday and Friday lunchtimes for the past few weeks, filming scenes and

taking photographs around school and putting these together as presentations to create the backdrops for 'A Fairy Intelligent Tale'. They are also making the opening and closing credits.

You will be able to see the magic they have created during the performance on Thursday 30th March.

Primary News



Year 6 Students recall their Trip to Dinant

Last week, Year 6 went to Dinant for their residential trip. We went hiking, cross country cycling and rock climbing. We also went to an adventure park, where we climbed huge rope bridges and slid down ziplines! (Here I am in my safety gear!) We had lots of fun on a river boat cruise and also visited Dinant's citadel.

By Elissa, 6S



We went to the Adolphe Sax Museum, which is where the saxophone was invented. The museum building used to be Adolphe's home! I had a great time in the adventure park; in the photo I am leading the way on the rope obstacle course! We all really enjoyed the week and exploring Dinant.

By Daniel, 6S



The Bayard-Milan competition – La foire du Livre de Bruxelles

Mme Guth's Year 6 class participated in the Bayard-Milan competition, and four students were nominated to be in the top twenty out of eight hundred texts (all of the other being native French schools). The four of us got the pleasure to go to 'La foire du livre' in Brussels for the day. We left early in the morning from school and arrived around ten o'clock. Then we participated in a questions ceremony with the author and illustrator of the book 'Juste un peu d'imagination'.

When it was over we ate our packed lunch in the picnic zone and bought special chocolate pancakes. Next we looked around and bought some magnificent books and magazines (also origami paper and bookmarks). We were then called to the 'Le Palais d'imagination' and watched the illustrator drawing live, whilst the author read the original story ending of his competition book. It was an exhibition of pure talent! By Ioana, Alex, Ana and Mathilda.



ECIS Early Childhood Conference

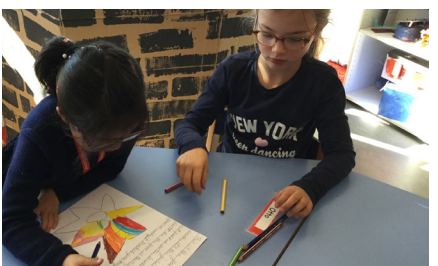
This weekend, Ms Pillay, EYFS leader was invited to speak at the ECIS Early Childhood Conference in Brussels. With hundreds of participants from schools across Europe attending, it was an exciting venue, with many interesting speakers. Ms Pillay led an engaging workshop on Enabling Environments, treating participants to ideas and concepts related to best practice in the Early Years Foundation Stage. Feedback on the session was very positive, highlighting great practice at St George's. Participants particularly enjoyed the practical examples, including the story of the hairdressing salon in Mr Thompson's class, and continuous provision in the Nursery classes.

Year 2 Dudelange

Year 2 D spent time outside testing shields, experimenting with different materials to see which material was the most durable for battle. Their weapons were water, spears and rocks.



Part of Year 2's book-based learning is on the book 'Jo-Jo the Melon Donkey'. The students have been working on their advertising skills by designing posters in an attempt to sell pears!



Secondary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

Friday 31st March
Secondary Easter Ball
 (7:00 - 10:00pm)

Tuesday 4th April
Secondary Music Concert
 Auditorium (6:00pm)

Tuesday 4th April
Screening of Media Studies coursework and performance of year 12 devised Drama coursework
 Auditorium

5th to 7th April
Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Days

Thursday 6th April
Year 10,11,12 Evening Trip to the Grand Theatre 'Play Wright'

Thursday 6th April
Easter Fayre
 (2:30pm- 5:00pm)

10th - 21st April
Easter Holidays

26th - 30th April
Choir Trip to Switzerland

28th - 30th April
Year 9 - 11 Top of the Bench Final Loughborough

Friday 28th April
St George's Day

Friday 12th May
After Work Party & Silent Auction
 at Come à la Maison
 (7:30pm)

Secondary News

In Support of Red Nose Day and Relais Pour la Vie Teacher Volunteers Sponged by Secondary students.

Mr Teale courageously added to our Relais Pour La Vie and Red Nose Day fundraising by making himself a target for wet sponges and rainbow goop! On Friday lunchtime Secondary students and staff queued up and took aim at Mr Teale! 100 euro was raised!! Well done!



Exam Timetable

A paper copy of the exam timetable has been issued to all students in Years 11 to 13. It is essential to check the timetable carefully against statements of entry, and it is recommended that you highlight all your exams according to the exam codes. These can be viewed on the [Parent Portal under 'Secondary' resources](#). Please do this as soon as possible to make sure that any exam conflicts are resolved. If you do have an exam clash this should be listed on the exam clash letter, please check. If you have any questions at all, however small, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pearce in the Secondary office, secondaryadmin@st-georges.lu as soon as possible.

Secondary Revision

GCSE / A Level lunchtime / after school revision sessions 2017					
Day	When	Times	Subject / level	Teacher	Room
Tuesday	After school	3.30-4.30	GCSE German	Mr Fox	1135
	20 th March to 22 nd May	3.30-4.30	KS Media studies revision sessions	Mr Barrowes	B022
Thursday	Lunch time	12.05-12.25	GCSE Chemistry selected	Ms Loomis	B025
	After school	3.30-4.30	GCSE German	Mr Fox	1134
Friday	March 22 nd April 6 th	3.30-4.30	KS/GCSE Media studies coursework sessions	Mr Barrowes	B022
	April 17 th - May 18 th	3.30-4.30	KS/GCSE Media studies exam sessions	Mr Barrowes	B022
Friday	May 19 th	3.30-4.30	KS Media studies	Mr Barrowes	B022
	Lunch time	12.05-12.25	GCSE ICT	Ms Mullaney	B048
Friday	May 19 th	12.05-12.25	GCSE Chemistry core	Ms Loomis	B025

Revision Sessions 2017

[Click here to view the Secondary Student Revision Sessions 2017.](#)

Year 11 iGCSE English Language Revision Site:

Year 11 students are strongly advised to access the following website as part of their revision for their iGCSE English Language exams in May. The site has lots of revision tips, strategies and exercises to work on over the Easter holiday.

Happy studying! The English A Team.*

Year 11 iGCSE English Language revision tips available at:
<https://igcse1english.wordpress.com/>

Read an article about Revision:

[The Science of Revision: Ten Ways Students can Revise for Exams More Effectively](#)

Community News



Passage Parent Support Group | The 'Bring & Buy' Birthday Bash | Saturday 1st April, 12:00pm – 5:00pm

(Sunflower Montessori Crèche, 72 Route de Remich, L-5330 Moutfort, Luxembourg)

Sunflower Montessori Crèches have generously permitted Passage to celebrate their Birthday at their site in Moutfort. The 'Bring & Buy' Birthday Bash will be a fundraising event for Passage to mark their 5th Anniversary and their pending a.s.b.l. status. There will be good quality second-hand goods on sale - if you would like to donate items please bring them on the day.

Cakes and refreshments will be available to buy. There will be:

- A dance workshop;
- Lynn from Passage and YogaBalance will be inviting parents and children to join in some Family Yoga Fun at 3:00pm (outdoors weather permitting);
- Ophelia from the 'Little English Bookworm' will also have a varied selection of English-language books to buy and running some reading workshops throughout the afternoon;
- There may even be craft, birthday cake and crêment to toast the occasion as well!

Passage look forward to seeing friends and family there on the 1st for some celebratory fun!



Beginner Swimming Lessons

Is anyone looking for Beginner Swimming Lessons for 4-6 yr olds?

Several St George's children have been attending a great beginners course in Biver Pool, (near Grevenmacher). We are running a second (10 weeks) Beginners Course, starting on **Tuesday 2nd May**, 4:00pm for 1 hour. Cost is approx 130 Euros for the whole course. Instructor speaks German & English. Parents do not need to get into the pool with the children. It's all very well organised and the children love it. Is anybody interested for the summer term?

If so, please contact Siobhan Warde, Tel: 691 155131 or siobhan@starstories.ie.



Happy Week Camp

For Easter holidays Happy Fitness is organising a 'Happy Week Camp' for children from 5 to 14 years old. The program includes: Fitness, capoeira, team games, and extra club activities such as climbing, skating and balloon activity. All information on the Happy Fitness Facebook page and www.happyfitness.lu or send an e-mail to info@happyfitness.lu. Take advantage of their PREM'S offer which gives a 15% discount for early registration and payment (at least 3 weeks before the start date of the camp).

All information can be found on their Facebook page [click here](#) or/and on their website [click here](#).



Niche Market - Spring event | Wednesday 29th March

Welcome the new season with a visit to the 'Niche Market' - Spring event on **Wednesday 29th March** at Cathy Goedert pâtisserie.

From jewellery to bags and accessories, ceramics to paintings and cards, textiles to unique up-cycled items, knitwear to delicate hand-made soaps, you'll discover a fresh and inspired range of hand-crafted pieces, all designed and made here in Luxembourg.

The Niche Market team will look forward to seeing you there! [Click here](#) for more information.