



Newsletter

27th April 2016



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Important Notices

Thursday 28th April

Girls in ICT, room LO9 (12:30pm)

Friday 29th April

**Parent Invitation Assembly
(Year 1 Munsbach), School Gym
(8:30-8:50)**

Saturday 30th April

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(7:00-9:30pm)**

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**Year 6 Residential Trip,
Dinant, Belgium**

Thursday 12th May

**Parent information meeting
Residential trip Year 4 to
Bollendorf, Barthel Hall (8:30
- 9:00am)**

Message from the Principal



25th St George's Day Celebrations



UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge 2016



London Drama Trip - The Woman in Black

Dear Parents,

Our celebrations for St George's Day on Monday for Primary and last Friday for Year 6 and Year 7 were a great success – thank you again to staff at the school and parents who made it all possible – the children enjoyed their picnics in class and our guests enjoyed musical and drama performances and a traditional English afternoon tea. We were also able to welcome the new British ambassador HE John Marshall to St George's to help celebrate with us.

The new Zinnen building continues to make progress with the construction and interior fitting out of the bridge across to Barthel. We have now been able to take groups of teachers on tours of their new classrooms and everyone is very excited about the new facilities. Work continues on fitting out the new auditorium and we will shortly begin installing acoustic facilities and seating. Arrangements have also been finalised to landscape the area between Zinnen and the canteen extension.

In other news, our Summer Fayre on the 18th June is fast approaching and the Friends of St George's are already hard at work planning an exciting and fun-filled day for the whole community. If you are able, do come along to one of the planning events and volunteer a little of your time in making this a day to remember – it depends on all our involvement to make it a success.

With my best regards,
Dr Barkei

Primary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

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Year 3 Medicals Class
Larochette

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2nd-13th May
Natur Mobil at St George's

Tuesday 3rd May
Year 3 IPC showcase,
Classroom (2:45pm)

Thursday 5th May
Ascension Day - School is
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Year 6 Residential Trip.
Dinant, Belgium

Thursday 12th May
Parent information meeting
Residential trip Year 4 to
Bollendorf, Barthel Hall (8:30
- 9:00am)

Friday 13th May
Parent Invitation Assembly
Year 2 Clervaux Ms Carty,
Hamilius Gym (8:30-8:50am)

24-27th May
Primary Games Vs Henry
Fawcett School, London

Thursday 26th May
Parent information Meeting
Residential trip Year 3 to
Chevetogne, Barthel Hall
(8:30-9:00am)

Primary News

The Natur Mobil is coming back!

St George's School is pleased to announce that the Natur Mobil will be on site from Monday 2nd May until Friday 13th May. All classes from years 1-6 have been timetabled for a special lesson on Luxembourgish Pond Life to help support their science and IPC studies. Look out for lots of photos on the school portals.

ALLERGY AWARENESS issues for all children Years 1 to 6.

Regarding the visit of the Natur Mobil, please inform your child's class teacher if you do not want your child to come into contact with the small collection of animals which they hope to have with them (most will be amphibious). Thank you. The school Nurse

Who Stole the Marbles? – Practical Science Lessons

Year 4 turned into forensic scientists yesterday as part of their Science lessons. The practical science lessons involved the understanding of forces (how a shoe can leave a print behind), chromatography (how we can find out which pen was used to write the note) and fingerprinting (understanding that every human body has different prints). To date, the 'criminal' has not been found but Year 4 will continue their investigations over the next few weeks!



Etty the Explorermobile

Last week, Mrs Skinner brought Etty, her 'explorermobile' to school for Year 3 to visit as part of their literacy lessons with the book 'Oliver and the Seawigs' by Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre. The students earned a greater understanding of what life is like as an explorer, the equipment used and how an explorermobile has all the necessities required, similar to their own homes, in many ways.



Primary News



MilePost 1 Activities

This term has already started with a wide range of events for Milepost 1. Last Wednesday, Dudelange class performed their assembly about The Senses. Year 2 have been studying this topic in their IPC work and 2 Dudelange taught the children how to sing in sign language and the history and inspiring story of Louis Braille.

Sue McGonigle Visits St George's

On Monday the Primary School welcomed Sue McGonigle for further staff development on the teaching of English. Click here to view Mrs McGonigle's new website www.lovelymybooks.co.uk, it provides support to parents when reading and choosing books with their child/ren. The website also provides a brilliant resource of fun and educational activities.



Earth Day 2016

Primary students have been learning about Earth Day. They now know a lot more about the environment and the aim that 7.8 billion trees are planted within the next five years as part of Earth Day's project.

Earth Day was celebrated last Friday, which coincided with other environmental activities across the globe. This inspired the children to learn about recycling at St George's, they learned what to put in each bin provided in school. This project has helped the students to become more environmentally aware.

Secondary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

Thursday 28th April
World Challenge Parent Presentation L01 Lentz (6:00pm)

Thursday 28th April
Junior Maths Challenge (Year 8)

Saturday 30th April
St George's Arts Scholarship Jazz and Wine Evening, Mélange (7:00-9:30pm)

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KS3 showcase will take place at the Centre Culturel Tramschapp (6:00pm)

Secondary News

St George's Merite Jeunesse Students collect Awards

Last week St George's Merite Jeunesse Students collected their Bonze and Silver Awards. The evening comprised of a number of musical performances and speeches in multiple languages, one of which was from Prince Guillaume of Luxembourg. What a great achievement, congratulations!



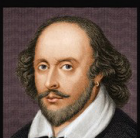
World Challenge Expedition, PERU 2017 | Parent Presentation Thursday 28th April 2016 at 6:00pm in Lentz Building (L01)

On **Thursday 28th April**, St George's will be hosting a Parent Presentation on the next World Challenge which will be taking place in Peru. It will be an informative and interactive presentation with plenty of opportunity for questions, along with video footage, images of the expeditions and what it will be like to take part. There will be lots of information on how the students will fundraise to take part in this expedition, what they will do whilst overseas, the safety and back-up on the expedition and the benefits they will derive from taking part. World Challenge encourages students to make a contribution towards the cost to take part in the expedition themselves through both personal and team fundraising.

We do hope you and your child/ren are able to come along and see why the school values the outcomes of this programme so highly. If you are unable to attend then your child/ren can attend on your behalf and collect the information needed. Please visit the Parent Portal 'Secondary Resources' presentations section for more information.

Spread the Word

Enactured. Verb
This expressive word was created by Shakespeare to designate 'purposes put into action.'



Be great in act, as you have been in thought.

~ William Shakespeare

Girls for ICT

USE QR CODES ALL AROUND THE SECONDARY SCHOOL TO ANSWER 15 AWESOME ICT QUESTIONS!

Working Lunch for KS4 & 5

28th of April
L09 at 12:30

Girls in ICT day
28 April 2016

Guest Speaker:
Lara Foster

ICT for Girls | 28th April at 12:30 in room L09

Girls in Key Stage 4 and 5 are invited to work over lunch on **Thursday 28th April**. The secondary students will have guest speaker Lara Foster come in to teach the girls about QR codes and so much more.

Secondary News

All Gold Canyon | Monday 2nd May

St George's Year 7 students will attend a performance of 'All Gold Canyon' based on the novel of the same name by Jack London at the Kulturhaus in Niederaanven on **Monday 2nd May**. This production features a performance by the percussion group Transadlibit (including St George's percussion teacher, Christopher Hastings), music by Dutch composer Jakob ter Vedlhuis, and storytelling by The Story in Motion Project. The show will raise funds for PLAN, one of the oldest children's support charities, via Mataneen vir Kanner here in Luxembourg. The evening is open to the public and is suitable for older children/adults. Tickets can be purchased by emailing info@mataneenfirkanner.org.

CIE IGCSE and A level 11 August

Edexcel A level 18 August

Edexcel & AQA I/GCSE 25 August

Interviews with Mr Fleet and Mr Shaw will take place on **Friday 19th August** for current Year 12 students going into Year 13 and on **Friday 26th August** for current Year 11 students entering Year 12. If you will be on holiday on those dates you must leave a contact number for a phone interview.

Secondary Revision Sessions

Biology Revision Sessions | Every Monday 3:30 - 4:30pm in room B2.38

Biology revision sessions for Year 12 will be occurring every Monday from 3:30-4:30pm up until June with Mr Clough.

English Literature Revision Sessions | Every Friday 3:30 - 4:30pm in room L08

English Literature revision sessions for Year 12 will be occurring on Fridays from 3:30-4:30pm up until **Friday 13th May** with Ms. Rigby.

French + Italian IGCSE Revision Sessions | Mondays from 3:15 - 4:15pm

French and Italian IGCSE Revision sessions will take place on Mondays from 3:15-4:15pm with Mrs Andre-Bewig on the following dates: **2nd May and 25th May**. **Please note: AS and A-levels sessions will take place the same dates as above with the addition of 23rd and 30th May.**

Math Revision Sessions | Every Tuesday 3:30 - 4:30pm in room B350

Core 2 revision lessons run for Year 12 Maths students, every Tuesday from 3:30-4:30pm with Mr Brown.

Year 13 resit students also welcome to attend.

Each session covers exam-style questions and essential topics for C2.

Psychology Revision Sessions | Every Monday from 3:30 - 4:40pm

GCSE psychology revision will take place every Monday.

Whole School News

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Important: Notice of Leaving in July is Saturday 30th April

All current families have now received the [tuition fee schedule for 2016-17](#), and we may therefore remind you that the deadline for written notice of leaving in July 2016, is **Saturday 30th April**. Any family withdrawing after this deadline is liable for payment of a third of the applicable annual tuition fees per student. Notice of leaving can be sent by email and will be acknowledged. The letter sent to all families by Dr Barkei in January was a measure of intent only, and does not constitute formal notice. We are unable to offer an extension to the deadline of 30th April as we need to be able to offer school places to arriving students in good time. If you have any questions please contact our finance manager, financemanager@st-georges.lu. Thank you.



St George's International School Arts Scholarship Jazz & Wine Evening

Saturday 30th April
7:00-9:30pm

Mélange, rue Nennig, Luxembourg L-2214

Enjoy an evening of live jazz music performed by The Enigma Ensemble, original art, and South American wine to raise money for the newly created Scholarship for the Arts. This event is registered with UNESCO and is part of their International Jazz Day festivities #JazzDay

Tickets will be on sale at St George's International School (www.st-georges.lu, tel. 42 32 24) and Mélange (www.melange.info, tel. 42 27 25 440) from Friday 15th April. Tickets cost 12 euros each or buy two tickets for 20 euros.



St George's Art Scholarship Jazz and Wine Evening

St George's invites you to come enjoy a South American wine tasting with live jazz and nibbles on **Saturday 30th April** from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Guests will have the opportunity to purchase artwork produced by the School's IGCSE and A-level students. All funds raised on the evening will go to the newly established Scholarship for the Arts which will benefit students at St George's who wish to pursue a career in the arts, to attend summer music, art or drama festivals, or who need to purchase professional instruments in order to continue their studies.

The event will be hosted by Mélange Design & Style, located in Dommeldange, with live jazz music performed by The Enigma Ensemble. This event is registered with UNESCO and is part of their International Jazz Day festivities. More information and a list of events worldwide can be found at <http://jazzday.com/events/> #JazzDay.

Tickets can be purchased in person or by phone at St George's International School (www.st-georges.lu, tel. 42 32 24) or at Mélange (www.melange.info, tel. 42 27 25 440) for 12 euros per person or 20 euros for two. Please dress warmly.

Looking for Volunteers for the Art scholarship Jazz and Wine Evening

St George's would greatly appreciate some volunteers to help with nibbles for the Art Scholarship event. If anyone is interested please contact friends@st-georges.lu.

Save the Date | Summer Fayre 2016 - Saturday 18th June

After last year's very popular and fun-filled event the St George's Summer Fayre will take place again this year on the School campus on **Saturday 18th June**. There will be international food stands, carnival style games and sports and of course there will still be lots of familiar activities like bouncy castle, face painting, football and performances by students and staff.

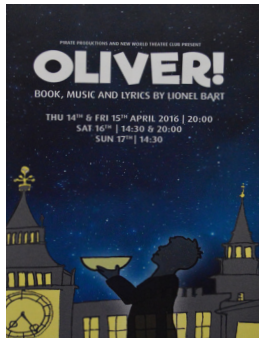
In addition to the more familiar elements of St George's Summer Fayre, each Primary school year group will be organising their own individual stalls/games for which we would also kindly ask for parents to assist (30 minute shifts). Further details, along with a sign-up form, will be sent out in due course.

We need YOUR HELP!

We need volunteers to help set up the Summer Fayre and to participate in many ways: baking, cooking, sharing talents. We hope that parents and students from each year group in Primary will provide volunteers to help run the carnival style games, share international crafts or games etc. If you want to be part of the action and help; by giving your time; cooking; baking; setting up; clearing up; or sharing a talent then please contact Annette Saeijs, Lisa Dishman, Lisa Whiteing, Debbie Hodges or send an email to friends@st-georges.lu. Thank you.

Whole School News

Club News



Oliver Performance - Thank you

Miss Gillen would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support and feedback she received for her performance in 'Oliver' and indeed the positive response towards the whole show. Quite a few of St George's students took part and they all shared an extremely memorable and invaluable experience. The auditions were in September and rehearsals began in October so there was actually over six months of preparation. The production was huge and involved around 80 actors on stage not to mention all the incredible people working hard backstage and in the orchestra. The story is timeless and it was wonderful for Miss Gillen's drama students to see her using the skills that she encourages during her LAMDA

sessions at St George's. If students are feeling inspired there are spaces in the Wednesday (Year 6-Year 9) and Thursday (Year 1-Year 3) groups for Dramaworks and will be spaces in the other

Rock and Water Program

Tomorrow afternoon (**Thursday 28th April**) has been set as the taster day for our proposed Rock and Water program at St George's. The afternoon will allow students in Years 5 – 9 to work through a range of activities that form the foundation of this inspiring program.

If your child is interested, please confirm the attendance by clubs@st-georges.lu

Students will be supervised from 3:15 – 4:00pm by a member of staff

For further information please contact Mrs Michlmayr.

Date: Thursday April 28th

Time: 4:00 to 5:20pm

What to bring: Comfortable clothes and an open mind set to learn by having fun.

Teachers: Lou Gervais and Mrs Michlmayr.



Community News

24 Heures Electronique' at Rockhal | Saturday 7th May

On **Saturday 7th May** a series of workshops and concerts will be offered under the name '24 Heures Electronique' at Rockhal. This programme is for budding DJs and electronic music fans. A Family Workshop will kick start the day at 11:00am and finish with a concert at 8:00pm, the day looks to be an exciting and enjoyable experience for everyone! Visit www.24electro.lu for more

Football Klinik Academy - "School to soccer pitch, pitch to school"

Football Klinik Academy, operated by Octopus Link Sports, has announced the details of its next Pro Football/ Soccer & SAQ Camps. The camp provides football training for boys and girls aged 4-18 and will be held at the Racing F.C. Union. Places are limited, we advise parents to register their children in good time as it will be on first come, first served basis.

* Age: 4 -18

* Days: Monday - Friday (09:00 - 16:30pm)

* When: 16th – 20th May, 2016

* Venue: Racing F.C. Union Letzebuerg (Stade Hollerich) 6, Rue de l'Abattoir Hollerich-Merl, L-1111 Luxembourg City.

To register, or more information, please contact Octopus Link Sports, 6 rue Auguste Charles, L-1326 Luxembourg, Tel: (+352) 27 99 62 21 - GSM 691 770 357.

Email: octopuslink@post.com or visit their website: www.octopus-link.com.

4th Annual Irish Music Summer School In Luxembourg

Comhaltas Ceoltóiri Luxembourg is a club dedicated to the promotion of Irish music and culture and has been active in Luxembourg for more than 30 years. The club is running their 4th Annual Summer school for children and teenagers providing a variety of classes. The summer school will run from the 1-5th August (8:30-12:30pm). For more information email: comhaltas.lu@gmail.com or tel. 621 673 376.

Institut Européen de Chant Choral Luxembourg (INECC)

Do you enjoy singing? If you would like to participate in workshops or concerts, the INECC (Institut Européen de Chant Chorale) has just issued their latest information on the workshops and concerts they will be organising this year. [Click here](#) to have a look at their website for inspiration!

Further opportunities for both adults and children can be found through UGDA (Union Grand-Duc Adolphe, the national association for music). Courses and competitions for all levels and ages are available. Please find more information here: <http://www.ugda.lu>.

Musical Theatre Workshop

Any student aged 13+ that is interested in musical theatre is eligible for a workshop being presented by Ugda, the SNJ, and the Boston Children's Theater Company. Students who participate may be eligible for the Boston Children's Theatre 5 week workshop where they can work with professional actors and musicians. In addition, the students also may be considered for a co-production of a musical between the Grand Theatre du Luxembourg and the Boston Children's Theater which will produced in the 2016/2017 season. More details can be found [here](#).

If you would like to share your community events, please email communications@st-georges.lu before 10:00am every Tuesday. Please note that these events are not organised by the School and we provide this listing as a consideration towards our community.