



Newsletter

5th October 2016



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Important Dates

Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th October
Pete Nebula Artistic Workshops (Nursery -Y6)

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th October
Year 7 Residential – Space Center, Belgium

Thursday 13th October
World Maths Day

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Dr Guy Sutton, Workshop open to everyone, Auditorium (5:30-7:30pm)

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[Year 11 Residential Trip to London](#)



[Key Stage 5 Residential Trip to Portugal](#)



[Dr Sutton's Workshops on the Criminal Mind Open to Public](#)

Dear Parents,

As the term progresses, you may have noticed that we still have some building work on-going at the school. These are two items; firstly a running track which is situated next to the Zinnen and Barthel buildings, and secondly the continuing work on our canteen kitchen. I am very pleased to say that the work on the running track is almost complete and will add a welcome additional outdoor facility to Physical Education lessons in the school.

On the matter of the work on the canteen kitchen we have had to carry out more substantive changes and repairs than we first anticipated and therefore I must inform you that the canteen kitchen will not be in operation until the beginning of Term 2 in January 2017. I do apologise for the delay and please rest assured that we will aim to do our very best to make sure that our caterers continue to meet our exacting standards during Term 1.

I was very pleased indeed to receive the excellent results of the Vocabexpress competition run by the Modern Languages department – well done! I also saw with some pride the reports of our students from their residential and music trips – the travellers were a credit to themselves and to the school.

We are making good use of the new auditorium at school and I do encourage you to see in it action – either for the Spirit of Africa performance, the year 8 Macbeth play or the lecture by Dr Sutton on Thursday, 13th October.

With my best regards,
 Dr Barkei

Whole School News



Water Bottles Infested with Bacteria

Drinking from a reused water bottle could expose you to thousands of bacteria and is potentially worse than licking your pet's toy. If your child has a reusable water bottle, please ensure it is washed daily, preferably upside down in the dishwasher. Thank you.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

The staff in Primary and administration took part in the Macmillan nurses world's largest coffee morning last week and raised over 500 euro to donate to this charity providing personal nursing care to cancer patients in need. Many thanks to everyone who participated, ate cake and donated. Congratulations to Luke F who was closest at guessing how many icing dots were on the cake poster in the Reception area.



Dr Guy Sutton Workshop | Thursday 13th October | 5:30 to 7:30pm | Auditorium

Parents, staff and the general public are invited to attend Dr Sutton's twilight Workshop. Dr Sutton's presentation skills are inspiring and engaging with up to date information and interactive activities. The theme this year is 'The Criminal Brain'.

Dr Sutton will be offering the twilight workshop on **Thursday, 13th October** from 5:30 to 7:30pm in the Auditorium. For more information and to book your seat, please contact Ms Moody, Psychology Teacher on j.moody@st-georges.lu.

Each year Dr Sutton visits St George's to inspire psychology students to explore general health, genetics and neuroscience. They are introduced to the theory and practice of forensic and clinical psychology, criminal profiling and offender populations, schizophrenia and informed of the latest ground breaking research in neurobiology.

Help with Creating Costumes for Upcoming Shows

Secondary are looking for a parent with competent sewing machine skills to help create costumes for some of the upcoming performances. If you have a sewing machine and would like to help out please send an email to reception@st-georges.lu addressed to Ms Williams.

Child Protection | Contacting School If You Have Concerns About Your Child

If you are worried or concerned about your child and wish to email the school regarding child safety, family issues or welfare concerns you can use either of these email addresses: childprotection@st-georges.lu is for any student in the school or secpc@st-georges.lu for Secondary students.

Friends of St George's News

Friends of St George's Cultural Tour to Génaveh is POSTPONED. For more information please contact friends@st-georges.lu. Thank you.

Babysitter list for Parents

The Sixth Form student babysitting list is now available. Please e-mail admissions@st-georges.lu to request a copy.

Label Clothing

Please can all parents label their child's clothing. The lost property is beginning to fill up with unclaimed unlabelled clothes. Labelling your child's clothes will make it easier for items to be returned to the rightful owners. Thank you.

Club Information

Study Hall (Year 10 - Year 13) | Tuesdays & Thursdays | 3:30pm till 5:00pm

Opportunity for students to complete class/homework with the help of a teacher.
Open to all Key stage 4 and 5 students.

German (Beginners) for Adults | Wednesdays | 12:00-1:30pm

All classes follow the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. This class is for real beginners who want to learn German from the start (Level A1). You will learn basic knowledge in speaking, listening and writing. Participants will need to purchase the book "Schritte plus 1" Kursbuch und Arbeitsbuch. For more information, please contact clubs@st-georges.lu. Price per term: €150.

English (Beginner / Elementary) for Adults | Mondays | 1:25-2:55pm

A class for parents with no or little English will begin at St George's next **Monday 3rd October** from 1:25 – 2:55pm. For more information, please contact clubs@st-georges.lu. Price per term: €150.

Intermediate (B1 +): Tuesdays 8:50am – 10:20am

Advanced (B2 +): If enough people are interested; Tuesdays 10:30am – 12:00pm

For more information, please contact the teacher, Karen Lang (speechtherapy@st-georges.lu) and clubs@st-georges.lu.

Soccer, Soccer (Year 5 - Year 13) | Fridays | 3:15-5:30pm

Soccer, Soccer club is now available on Fridays. The club is open to Year 5 to Year 13 students. Please contact clubs@st-georges.lu to sign up. Price per term: €200.

Harmony Club (Year 7-13) | Thursdays | 3:30-4:30pm

Like to sing and strum? In small groups, students can develop a repertoire of songs from different genres (and even originals!), and provide their own instrumental accompaniment whilst strengthening their vocal skills. The supervisor will help with vocal harmonies, chord progressions, guitar and ukulele chords, as needed. Beginners are welcome. Price per term: €100.

If you would like to know more or to sign up please contact clubs@st-georges.lu.

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Primary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

Thursday 6th October
Primary Parent Forum, Topic:
Challenge and Support,
Conference room (8:30am)

Thursday 13th October
Key Stage 2 Maths Information
Session for Parents, Conference
room (8:30-9:30am)

18th - 19th October
Spirit of Africa Year 4-6
performance, Auditorium
(6:30pm)

Thursday 20th October
Year 5 Residential Trip Meeting,
Conference room (8:30-9:30am)

Friday 21st October
Deadline for all Baker Book
orders.

25th-28th October
Year 4 Residential to Bollendorf

Thursday 10th November
Parent Teacher Meetings (PTSC)
(4:00-7:00pm)

Friday 11th November
Year 3 IPC Showcase
(2:45-3:15pm)

**Monday 5th - Friday 9th
December**
Year 5 Residential Trip to
Chevetogne

Whole of Primary News



Baker Books | Deadline Friday 21st October

The Baker Books winter catalogues were distributed earlier this week. Please remember that the deadline for ALL orders (cash and online) is **Friday 21st October**. Thank you.

School Photographer | 10th - 12th October

From Monday 10th to Wednesday 12th October the school photographer will be on site taking pictures of all students individually and class photos. Please ensure students are dressed appropriately.

Monday 10th October – Year 5U, Year 5E, Year 6W, Year 6B, Year 6S.

Tuesday 11th October – All Year 4, Nursery Red/Blue, Year 3K, Year 3B, Year 5S, Year 2B, Year 1A, Year 1S, Year RECEP Green

Wednesday 12th October – Year 3H, Year 2C, Year 1M, Nursery Yellow, RECEP Orange, Violet, Indigo, Year 2D, Year 1V.

Foundation Years



Sandpit Fun in Nursery

Nursery children enjoyed using their brand new sandpit for the first time yesterday - they certainly made the most of it!

The children made up their own rules and decided that there could only be 8 children playing in there at any one time. They also

decided that it would be a good idea to write their names on a list if they wanted a turn in the sandpit and to use a 10 minute sand timer to make it fair! After agreeing what the rules would be, the fun started! It all began with building sandcastles! We know how many sand castles were made, but do you? A great start to learning in the areas of personal, social and emotional development, communication and language, and physical development and mathematics.

Hair Dressers

Reception Orange children became entrepreneurs for the day and opened their own Hairdressers. They welcomed staff and students into their salon for a brush, hair cut, blow dry or colour. If you were lucky, you were even offered tea with a biscuit!



Key Stage 2 News (Years 3-6)

Year 5 Residential Trip Meeting | Thursday 20th October | 8:30 - 9:30am | Conference room

Miss Watson will be holding a meeting for the students of Year 5 parents to share information about the residential trip to Chevetogne, which takes place from **5th to 9th December**.

The paper work for the trip will be given out during the meeting; if you are unable to attend the meeting, the forms will be sent home with your child.

Secondary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

Thursday 6th October
Year 11 Trip to Utopia

Monday 10th October
School photo - please ensure students are dressed appropriately.

Thursday 27th October
Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (Secondary) (4:00-7:00pm)

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th October
Year 7 Residential – Space Centre, Belgium

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th October
Brain Awareness Week

Wednesday 9th November
Parent Teacher Student Conference (PTSC) (4:00-7:00pm)

14-18th November
Anti-Bulling Week

Tuesday 15th November
Macbeth Performance, Auditorium (6:00pm)

21st-23rd November
Year 8 Trip ArtsDepot, London

Secondary News

Child Protection

Parents can reach Mrs Michlmayr directly if they have pastoral questions, on her new email: secpco@st-georges.lu.

School Photographer | Monday 10th October

On **Monday 10th October** the school photographer will be on site taking pictures of all students individually and class pictures. Please ensure students are dressed appropriately.

Year 7-10 News



Winners of the League of Champions 2016

St George's is proud to announce that Year 7-10 students won the VOCABEXPRESS worldwide competition!! Students were encouraged to participate actively and it definitely paid off!!

- Laura F in Year 7 finished 20th in the world for Italian
 - Ivan P in Year 10 finished 14th in the world for Russian
 - Nila J in Year 9 finished 28th in the world for German
- Congratulations to all students who participated, this is a wonderful achievement!

Year 8 News

Year 8 Auditions for Macbeth in Shakespeare School's Festival

All Year 8 students have been invited to audition for a role in this year's Shakespeare School's Festival performance. This year's entry will be a 30 minute version of Macbeth.

The details of the festival can be found via the following link www.ssf.uk.com and the trip will take place from 21st to 23rd November 2016. Students will have the opportunity to perform in a professional theatre venue along with three other performance groups from other schools. The venue for this year's performance will be ArtsDepot in North London.

Rehearsals will take place on Mondays and Fridays after school from 3:30-5:00pm.

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On **Tuesday 15th November** at 6:00pm there will be an opportunity for students to perform for parents and friends in the Auditorium.

Year 11 News

Cine Utopia Trip | A View from the Bridge by Arthur Miller

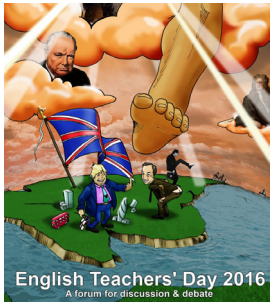
The English Faculty have organised a trip to Cine Utopia in Luxembourg to view the National Theatre Live performance of the play A View from the Bridge by Arthur Miller. All details about this trip are available on the [Parent Portal](#). The trip is funded by the school and therefore there is no cost involved for students.

Community News



Join the Adult Choir - Double Entendre

Interested in singing? Join Double Entendre, a choir for adults who enjoy singing. No previous experience is required, just come and give it a go! All of St George's parents and Friends of St George's are welcome. The choir meet every Tuesday from 7:30pm till 9:00pm at St George's, in the music room in the Zinnen building.



Teachers' Day 2016 | Thursday 13th October | 8:30-4:30pm | Forum Geesseknäppchen

<https://sites.google.com/site/englishteachersday/2016>

To sign up in advance you need an IFEN (Institut de Formation de l'Education Nationale) which only state school teachers have but if you show up on the day you will be able to attend the workshops and plenaries held in the main conference room. All the other workshops are booked up.



RAF Association Charity Wings Ball 2016 | Champagne Reception Gala Dinner | Luxembourg Branch of RAF Association Charity

Parents and staff are invited to the RAF Association Charity Wings Ball 2016.

The event is taking place on **Saturday 8th October 2016** in the Novotel, Kirchberg. The function is in aid of The Royal Air forces Association that supports the RAF family. St George's is supporting by donating gifts for the raffle. For further information or reservation requests please e-mail eliots@pt.lu.



The Pillowman | A play by Martin McDonagh | New World Theatre Club

The Pillowman is a captivating, disturbing and darkly comic masterpiece by Martin McDonagh, a contemporary playwright known for his weird and surreal plays. He is best known for writing and directing the movie "In Bruges".

Dates: 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th October. Tickets: €10 for students, €20 for Adults. Details are in the link below. The play has quite dark material so it is recommended for 16 years +. www.kulturhaus.lu/fr/81/0-id-322-mode-getdetails



The Story of English in 100 words | Talk by David Crystal | Wednesday 12th October, 7:00pm | Forum Geesseknäppchen

The LAML has organised a talk by Professor David Crystal. Taking inspiration from the BBC radio series, 'A History of the World in 100 Objects', David Crystal wondered whether it would be possible to tell the story of the English Language through 100 carefully selected words. The talk is open to the public and the book signing will be by Chapter 1.

St George's News

Community News

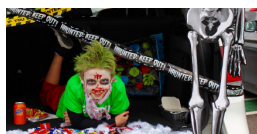


Compassionate Communication | Parent Seminar 2016-17 | Tuesday 18th October

A guest presenter will talk about non-violent communication (open communication) and how it applies to both family and school life through the perspective of the parent, the child and the teacher.

Ranka brings a wealth of knowledge in working with parents and schools throughout Europe and would like to share this with you.

Reservations are now open! For further information contact Lou Gervais Upper School Counsellor on 2604 4205 or email lgervais@islux.lu.



AWCL Annual Trunk or Treat Event | Saturday 22nd October | 3:00-5:00pm

Where: St George's International School Luxembourg

Join us for our annual costume bonanza. It will be a fun afternoon filled with costumes, face painting, balloon animals, dance-a-long, bouncy castles and of course, lots of sweets!

Tickets will go on sale **Monday 3rd October** at St George's Reception as well as the AWCL Clubhouse. Tickets are €10 for children of members of the AWCL and €15 for non members. Adults and children under 1 are free.

No walk ins on the day of the event are possible.

What is trunk or treat? Trunk or Treat is a Halloween Event where trick or treating is done from the decorated trunks of parked cars around a large car park. This ensures the safety of our children while still having fun collecting candy. If you would like to help us and volunteer your car (we will supply all the sweets), please email Andrea at 1vpawcl@gmail.com.



Shotokan Karate EU Luxembourg | 21-22 January 2017

Location: Hall Omnisports de Hamm

157, Rue de Hamm. Hamm-Luxembourg

For more information Tel. John Kirby on 4301 35714 or

Email: john.kirby@ec.europa.eu



DT Union Table Tennis

Table tennis lessons for children of all ages are available at the Hall Omnisports at Bonnevoie. For more information visit: <http://www.dtunion.lu> or call Gilbert Beissel on 621 239 288.



Happy Fitness for Kids

Happy Fitness offers a wide variety of activities for kids of all ages from Zumba Kids, Born to move, La Capoeira and Teenfit.

For more information visit: www.happyfitness.lu

or email: info@happyfitness.lu.

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.