



Newsletter

9th November 2016



Don't forget to read this section



Important Dates

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

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

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

Tuesday 15th November
Year 8 Macbeth Performance,
Auditorium (6:00pm) BOOK
your tickets via the Parent
Portal

Wednesday 16th November
Parent-Teacher Meetings
(Primary) (4:00-7:00pm)

Wednesday 16th November
Friends of St George's Cultural
Tour | 10:00am -12:00pm

Thursday 17th November
Secondary Information Evening
Book your seats [here!](#)
(6:00-7:30pm)

21st-23rd November
Year 8 Trip ArtsDepot, London
(Shakespeare Schools Festival)

Whole School News

Dear parents,

Welcome back to school after the half-term last week – with Parent/Teacher meetings and a wide range of other activities as well as the regular teaching at school this half term promises to be very busy indeed; whether it is Year 8 Shakespeare's performance, our Friends events and activities or the planning for our Christmas shows and of course the mock examinations for Years 11, 12 and 13. We look forward to enjoying the next weeks as we progress towards the Christmas period.

It is also of course a time suitable for reflection despite all our busy schedules and events; there should always be time in our day to spend with our children; to spend a couple of moments reading with them or listening to what they did at school or with their friends. These daily shared experiences are important and make just as much an impact as a planned activity or outing. I hope you are all able to do this with your son or daughter this week.

I was particularly pleased to be able to write to a number of students across the school recently regarding their excellent progress so far this year and I was also very pleased with the World Maths day collaboration between Primary and Secondary students on the 13th October. Our recent residential trips have also been very well received and feedback from colleagues on the trips has been very positive regarding the behaviour and attitude of our students.

I should make a particular mention of the Friends Quiz night on the 9th of December – it will obviously have a festive theme and promises to be as challenging and as much fun as last year's version. Do come along if you can and pit your wits against a series of entertaining questions!

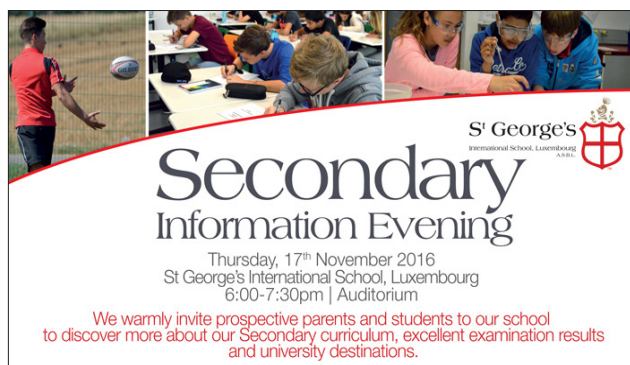
As we approach the 11th November, please note that as every year, we have poppies available at the School reception in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

In these wintry conditions, please do take care on the journey to and from school and plan in some additional time; and please ensure you have your winter tyres fitted!

With my best regards,

Dr Barkei

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Secondary Information Evening | 17th November Open to ALL parents.

On **Thursday 17th November**, The Secondary school is hosting an information evening open to all prospective parents (**we also recommend current parents from Year 5-6 to attend**). This evening will provide parents and students the opportunity to meet staff and students, and to ask any questions they may have. They will learn about the Secondary curriculum, exam results and university destinations. [Click here](#) to register! You may also go to our website, click on our 'Curriculum' tab, 'Secondary' and select 'Secondary Information Evening'.

Friends of St George's News

Friends Class Representatives 2016-2017

Find out who is the class representative for your child's year group by checking our [Friends Class Rep List](#). She/he will contact you to set up a shared list (or create a WhatsApp group) to ensure that you are always kept informed of social/cultural/community events. The class rep will happily take on board suggestions for future events and share these with the Friends organising group.



Christmas Quiz Night – Friday 9th December 6:30-9:30pm

The Friends of St George's are pleased to announce that the quiz this year will be Christmas themed. The quiz is for adults (staff, parents and friends) and there will be a light seasonal supper included in the price as well as a cash bar. Look out for the poster and sign-up sheets. Get your team together (4-6 per team) or if you don't have a team come along anyway and we can help you find one!

Tickets cost €10, sign up is available at the Reception Desk.

Friends of St George's Cultural Tour | 10:00am-12:00pm | Wednesday 16th November

Génaveh of Steinfort is known worldwide for the quality and presentation of its artisanal chocolates. Please put the date in your diaries! Dive into the World of Chocolate and join us for the next Friends of St George's Cultural Tour to the Luxembourg chocolaterie to see how chocolates are made in Luxembourg.

Details: **Wednesday 16th November**, 10:00am-12:00pm, cost €15, including tour of factory and demonstrations. It's just in time for the Christmas season, you can learn how to make truffles (chocolates) ideal for dinner parties or presents.

To please sign up please email friends@st-georges.lu. Possibilities to share transport are available.

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Club Information

NEW Art Clubs Available Now

Year 3-4 Tuesdays 3:15 – 4:30pm

Year 5-6 Wednesdays 3:15 – 4:30pm

Book now through **clubs@st-georges.lu** to join these creative clubs!

Dramaworks! LAMDA

Creative Learning Drama Classes

Dramaworks is an academy of Distinction and Merit

New Drama workshop

Ages 13 - 17

Saturday Morning 10am - 11:30am

St George's International school

New theatre

LAMDA qualifications

Professional experienced teachers,
builds confidence and helps you make friends.

New Drama WorkShop | Ages 13-17 | Saturday mornings | 10:00-11:30am

This LAMDA drama workshop will commence on **Saturday 12th November** in the Auditorium. Come and join our dynamic and fun classes and earn a valuable LAMDA qualification. Drama workshops and small group tuition combined. For more information or to sign up contact **clubs@st-georges.lu**.



Strictly St George's | Ballroom and Latin American Dance Lessons

Everyone is invited to participate in a ballroom dancing course led by Mr and Mrs Cooper. The lessons in Cha Cha Cha, Waltz, Jive, Quickstep and Salsa will take place in the Primary Gym on Thursday evenings for 10 weeks beginning **Thursday, 24th November**. There are classes for all levels. The 'Beginners' class is from 6:00pm-7:00pm and the 'Improvers' is from 7:00pm-8:00pm.

The cost is €150 per couple for the 10 sessions. If you would like to attend both

'Beginners' and 'Improvers' classes then the cost per couple is €200. Individuals are also welcome for a reduced price.

Please contact Mr or Mrs Cooper (g.cooper@st-georges.lu or s.cooper@st-georges.lu) if you would like to join us, places are limited and demand is likely to be high - Keep Dancing!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Parent Teacher Meeting Evenings Information

Due to the Primary Parent and Teacher Meetings on **Thursday 10th November** and **Wednesday 16th November**, the following clubs will be cancelled on those days.

Thursday 10th November

Art Club
Badminton Club
Dance Club - Standard
Football Club
Mandarin Club
Yoga Club
Band String Ensemble
Cooking Club

Wednesday 16th November

Primary Choir
English as an Additional Language (EAL) Club
Football Club
Girls 5-a-side Football Club
Sewing/Knitting Club
Yoga Club
Board Games Club
Art Club

To view this page please log into the Parent Portal



Primary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

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

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

Wednesday 16th November
Friends of St George's Cultural
Tour | 10:00-12:00pm

Wednesday 16th November
Parent-Teacher Meetings
(Primary) (4:00-7:00pm)
[Click here to book!](#)

Friday 18th November
Parent Assembly Year 5
Useldange, Auditorium
(08:30 to 08:50am)

Friday 25th November
Parent Assembly Year 2
Clervaux, Auditorium
(08:30 to 08:50am)

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

Friday 9th December Christmas
Quiz Night (6:30-9:30pm)

Saturday 10th December
Year 4 & Primary Choir
singing in Place d'Armes
(5:00-6:00pm)

Wednesday 14th December
Year 4 IPC Showcase,
Classrooms (1:00-1:30pm)

Primary News

Spirit of Africa Videos

We are pleased to announce that The Spirit of Africa videos are now available to view or download from the Parent Portal under 'Primary Resources' tab.

Higher quality versions are available to download via St George's Cloud. Click on the below links to view or download the recording.

Night 1 (Tuesday 18th October, 2016) [CLICK HERE](#)
Night 2 (Wednesday 19th October, 2016) [CLICK HERE](#)

Annual Primary School Questionnaire

The Ministry of Health will shortly deliver to the school their annual Primary School Questionnaire. Each school student in Luxembourg is given this yearly so that chronic disease/long term illness can be monitored. Your son/daughter will be given this form to bring home to you, please complete it and return it to the school. We will collect these on behalf of the Ministry of Health and forward them.

Parent-Teacher Report Day Information

If you haven't already done so please click here to book an appointment during Parent -Teacher report day. All parents are offered a 15 minute appointment with the class teacher who will discuss general progress in all subject areas. A limited number of 5 minute appointments have been made available with specialist teachers, should parents wish additional information. These appointments are made on a first come first served basis. As some specialists teach up to 400 students it is not possible to see every parent in these areas, however, the class teacher will have a general overview of the progress made.

Year 5 News

Year 5 Useldange Parent Invitation Assembly

Year 5U parents are invited to the parent assembly on **Friday 18th November** at 8:30am in the Zinnen Auditorium.

Year 4 News

SAVE THE DATE: 10th December 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Year 4 students and the Primary Choir is delighted to announce that they have been invited to sing on the stage in the Place d'Armes Christmas Market as part of the Winterlights Festival organised by the Luxembourg City Tourist Office.

Secondary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

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

14-18th November
Anti-Bullying Week

Tuesday 15th November
Year 8 Macbeth
Performance, Auditorium
(6:00pm)

Friday 18th November
Come dressed in blue
to help support anti-
bullying week cake sale!

21st-23rd November
Year 8 Trip ArtsDepot,
London (Shakespeare
Schools Festival)

5th-16th December
Year 11,12,13 Mock
Exams

Friday 9th December
Christmas Quiz Night
(6:30-9:30pm)

Tickets still available for Year 8
Performance of Macbeth

If you wish to book tickets to see Macbeth on **Tuesday 15th November** at 6:00pm please [click here](#) and book via our Parent Portal (Left side of the screen). This event will take place in our Auditorium. The next rehearsals will take place on **Friday 11th November** and **Monday 14th November** after school from 3:30-5:00pm.

Key Stage 3 News

Games Hub | Years 7 and 8 | Wednesdays at lunchtimes from 12:50 – 1:20pm | room L07A,

Games Hub will start from **Wednesday 16th November**. Bring a board game or a card game to play. Students need to keep their game in their locker during the rest of the day, and it is their responsibility to look after it. This

Halloween Charity Dress-up Day

On the last day of half-term, the Secondary Parliament organised a Halloween dress-up day. Students (vampires, witches, zombies and others) had an opportunity to enter the best-costume competition and enjoy a sweet sale and music during break time. The event raised €229 which will be donated to our partner school in Cambodia. (UWS)

Dress up competition results:

1st place: Alistair – old man from “Up” (Amazon voucher)

2nd place: Ethan, Veerle, Dillon and Aubrey – Bob’s burger group costume (cinema ticket)

3rd place: Charlotte - steampunk (sweets). Thank you to all those who joined in on the fun and helped raise money for a wonderful cause!



Anti Bullying Week

Next week Secondary students are hosting their annual “Anti Bullying Week”. The theme this year is “Power for good” with the following key aims:

We want to support children and young people to use their “Power for Good” by understanding the ways in which they are powerful and able to encourage individuals. By working together they can collectively stop bullying to help create a better world. At St George’s we value the difference we can make in a child’s life by taking individual and collective initiatives to prevent bullying and create a safe and positive environment where children can thrive.

On Friday, 18th November, Secondary are hosting “Come dressed in blue day” and a cake sale – cake donations are more than welcome! During the week, students can purchase blue wristbands from their tutors to show support.

Year 7, 9 and 11 News

Medicals

Please note that the secondary school medicals have started. Students in Years 7, 9 and 11 will be given medicals by the Ministry of Health. Dr Welter will attend St George’s to carry out the medicals. These will be held on Monday mornings. The next medical is for 11OB on **Monday 14th November**. Forms will be given to the 11OB students this Thursday.

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Parent-Teacher-Student Conference (Secondary) | 4:00-7:00pm

Wednesday, 9th November 2016

The Parent-Teacher-Student meetings will take place on **Wednesday, 9th November** from 4:00-7:00pm. Please be reminded that students should leave the site at 3:15pm and come back with their parents.

We expect all Secondary students whose parents have made an appointment with a teacher to attend the Parent-Teacher-Student Conference.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Clubs Cancelled on Parent-Teacher-Student Evenings

Due to the Secondary Parent-Teacher-Student Meetings on **Thursday 27th October** and **Wednesday 9th November**, the following clubs will be cancelled on those days.

Thursday 27th October

Harmony Club
International Sports Team Club
Study Hall
Band (String) Ensemble
Secondary Homework Club

Wednesday 9th November

Board Games Club
Secondary Choir
Girls 5-a-side Football
Secondary Homework Club

Thank you for your understanding.

Making Maths Fun on World Maths Day

On **Thursday 13th October**, students from Year 8 brought their maths board games that they designed themselves to Hamilius Hall. There were some elaborate designs based on favourites such as Top Trumps, Trivial Pursuit, Snakes and Ladders and Ludo. The rules were explained to students from Years 5 and 6 who had to use their maths skills to win. Everyone had an enjoyable time and felt that the afternoon passed far too quickly.

"My group made a maths game based on top trumps with Roald Dahl cards which we made. We had to explain the rules of the game to Year 6 and 5. In order to win, they had to answer a question and the highest answer won." – Brayden, Year 8

"Our game was a mathematical version of Ludo. Everyone who played our game liked it" – Freddie, Year 8

"It was very easy to explain to others how our game worked and I think it was fun and educational" – Chayenne, Year 8

"I think that World Maths Day was an interesting experience and a fun time! I enjoyed the actual process of deciding what to base our game on and making it ourselves." – Paloma, Year 8



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.



Message in a Bottle Adventure Story time! Saturday, 12th November @Chapter1 The Book Loft

Inviting all children to the launch of a new magical and educational personalised children's book, Message in a Bottle! This special programme includes a fun, educational and adventurous Story Time, discovering 'Message in a Bottle' animal characters from around the world, and meeting the illustrator herself! Please register using the link below <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44aaa622a1ff2-message>



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



Edith van den Heuvel Trio in Concert | Saturday 26th November | 20:00pm

The concert takes place at Pianos Kelly, 17 rue de Munsbach in Niederanven. To reserve your tickets contact concert@piano.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.