



Newsletter



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5th April 2017



Important Dates

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Secondary Easter Fayre. Parents & Staff welcome, Auditorium (2:30pm- 5:00pm)

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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**.



House Day for Primary Students



GIN Conference 2017



Secondary Summer Concert



Photos and Video of Fairy Intelligent Tale



Secondary Easter Ball 2017



Relais Pour La Vie Photos

Dear Parents,

Reflecting in the last week of the term we have again been very busy indeed – whether balls for secondary last Friday or Year 3 today, our Fairy intelligent tale performed by Year 3 and Year 5, our splendid secondary musicians performing last night, our students attending at the GIN conference or our staff and student volunteers at the Relais pour la vie on Saturday and Sunday. I also had the opportunity to attend with a school family the Hamm village commemorations at the United States military cemetery.

All these activities and events indicate a very active spirit indeed in the school and I thank colleagues, parents and students for their engagement and efforts across the school and beyond during this time. They all show a clear sense of responsibility and community involvement and that is most welcome.

I'm also reminded at this time that our senior students are embarking on their examinations, and we wish them all the best as they undertake revision and, in some cases, already undertake examinations. These are not to be embarked upon lightly and must be taken seriously. They serve as stepping stones towards and serve as keys to access further qualifications and degrees. Achieving good results in turn gives individuals the freedom of choice in their professional careers. Now is the time to build those solid foundations through careful revision and close application during the examinations themselves.

I would like to wish all families at the school a restful and enjoyable Easter break – the Summer term begins on Monday 24th April.

With my best regards,
 Dr Barkei

Whole School News

Important Notices

IMPORTANT: Unauthorised Absences

During the holiday periods, we have noticed that some parents are taking students out early, or returning late from the holidays. Please note that under Luxembourgish law the school is unable to authorise these periods of absence.

Please do not ask the school to release your child early on a given day, so that you can catch a flight, or avoid traffic, as we are not permitted to do so.

We understand that there are some genuine cases of sickness or doctors' appointments during these times. Please ensure that these requests are accompanied with an appointment slip for the school's records.

IMPORTANT: Notice of leaving

We would like to remind parents that if your child/ren will be leaving St George's at the end of the summer term then the deadline for notice falls just after the Easter holiday. Written notice can be submitted by email to the Finance Manager (financemanager@st-georges.lu) at any time up to the **30th April 2017** to avoid financial penalty. Penalty for late notice is one third of the applicable annual tuition fee. We remind you that your response to the letter of intent sent out in January DOES NOT constitute formal notice.

Bills Sent out Via Email

The Extras Bills for Jan-Easter 2017 (Canteen, Fun Club, Clubs, Music lessons etc.) have been emailed out. The payment is due by **April 30th, 2017**.

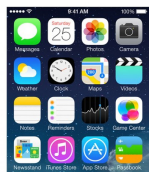
If you need any further information or have not received the email, please contact Ms Werner at billing@st-georges.lu. Thank you.

Important Information Regarding Nut Allergies in School

Please be informed that we have a number of students at St George's who have potentially life-threatening food allergies. We kindly ask that you respect this serious matter by not giving your child snacks which contain any nuts, such as chocolate spread, peanut butter, muesli bars, etc. It is also important to keep this in mind if baking cakes for fundraisers held at school. Children with food allergies can have life-threatening reactions with even the smallest amount of exposure to their specific allergen. Please see below a few websites which provide further information on this subject.

www.anaphylaxis.org.uk, www.allergywise.com, www.beallergywise.com.

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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>).



Last chance to Enter 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. Please do not use pencils. 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**.

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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.

Club News

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.

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
Luxembourgish	Tuesdays	4:00 – 5:00	Adults

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.

Please book via friends@st-georges.lu. Thank you.



Last Chance 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 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)

Friday 7th April
Nursery and Reception Easter
Egg Hunt (8:00 - 8:20am)

10th - 21st April
Easter Holidays

Monday 24th April
First day of Summer Term

24th - 27th April
Year 3 Trip to Chevetogne

Thursday 7th April
Medicals Year 1 Aspelt

Friday 28th April
St George's Day Celebration

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 3K – 6th April 2017

Year 1A – 27th April 2017

Year 1M – 4th May 2017

EYSF News

Nursery and Reception Easter Egg Hunt | Friday 7th April 2017

Parents are invited to take part in the Nursery and Reception Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter egg hunt will be taking place between 8:00am - 8:20am in the outdoor area where you drop off your child in the mornings. Further instructions will be given to you on the day by your child's class teacher. We hope to see as many of you join in!

Polite Reminder to All Parents

Please remember that school playground equipment and climbing frames are not to be used by children and their younger siblings at the end of the school day. Now that some nicer weather is here, may we ask parents not to sit in the area by Tellytubby Hill as this space is used for Fun Club.

Primary Parent Evening Booking System

Booking for the Primary Parent/Teacher/Student Evenings is available on our [Parent Evening Booking System](#). The next Primary Parent Evenings will take place on **Thursday 6th April**.

A Fairy Intelligent Tale

Last week, Year 3 and Year 5 put on a fantastic performance in the Auditorium. The show, A Fairy Intelligent Tale, written and directed by Mrs Skinner with music by Ms Bydder had all the parents laughing throughout. The Year 3 and 5 students worked really hard and were fully committed to their roles, often missing play and lunchtimes in order to rehearse for their roles. Well done to all of them for putting on a spectacular performance. Many thanks to all staff and parents who helped out with the show. Photos and the video can be seen [here](#).

Primary House Day

Students Years 1 to 4 and Year 6 had a glorious morning out in the sunshine completing a paper chase and Easter egg hunt! This house day was a brilliant way for students of all ages to work together interactively collecting house points as quickly as possible in a fun outdoor activity! The successful winners for finding the hidden mini eggs were: Adam (3H) for Earth, Paloma (3B) for Water, Alessandro (3H) for Fire and Alexander (6B) kindly helped Leonardo (1V) to find the final mini egg.

The winners of the paper chase and egg hunt were Wind, who are also, currently, ahead in the House point challenge in Primary. Well done! [Click here for photos](#).

Afghan Mobile Mini Circus for Children

News from School Council

The School Council are pleased to tell you that they are making a donation of 1000 euro to their chosen charity Afghan MMCC ([Afghan Mobile Mini Circus for Children](#)). This money has been raised from the recent Movie Nights, Dress Up Day and Raffle at the Year 4-6 Ball. The money will go to help MMCC organise educational and entertaining activities for children in Afghanistan through their social circus.

Primary News

Year 2 News

Year 2B have been jousting and acting out the role of a knight as part of their IPC work on Castles.



Year 2D went to see Year 6B's work on castles this week. We enjoyed sharing our learning with them. Their castles were AMAZING!



Workshop at the Philharmonie

On Monday a group of Year 3-6 children were invited to the Philharmonie to participate in an educational music workshop about creative composing. The students had the opportunity to work with young professional musicians to create three different compositions based on drawings and poems that they had made about the orchestra. One group was inspired by Victor's penguin orchestra and they used lots of xylophones and percussion. They were led by Naomi and Jiya who created a set of penguin movements to guide the musicians. Another group performed as noisy musical monsters inspired by Theo's monster orchestra drawing as well as singing a song based on Max's lovely poem about instruments. The third group created a piece using piano (including playing inside the piano), violin and drums inspired by Tanishka's orchestral drawing. She also conducted her group. Well done to all the students who participated.



Author of Fact or Myth, Nayden Kostov Visited St George's

Last week, Nayden Kostov, author of Fact or Myth came to St George's to talk about his work. In a lively assembly session he talked about his work and inspiration, describing himself as an accidental writer. He explained that he began by writing a blog which became very successful due to all the facts he was writing about. Nayden tested the students' knowledge on facts and myths, and surprised them with several myths that they thought were true. It was a very enjoyable assembly, full of interesting facts and ideas, but most of all, it inspired the children to follow their dreams. Check out [Nayden's blog](#) for more hard to believe facts. Thank you to Mr Kostov who took the time to talk to our students.

Secondary News

Upcoming events & Important dates

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

Monday 24th April
First day of Summer Term

22nd - 29th April
Y10 Erasmus Trip To Spain (Cartagena)

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 Celebration

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

Secondary News



The Books of the Month for April and May

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.

A reminder that the timetable and other important documents are available on the [Parent Portal under 'Secondary' resources](#). Students should check their timetable carefully to make sure they are in good time and well equipped for all exams. If you have any questions please contact Mrs Pearce in the secondary office secondaryadmin@st-georges.lu.

Secondary Revision

Day	When	Times	Subject / Level	Teacher	Room
	After school	3.30-4.30	GCSE French	Mr Fox	1179
		3.30-4.30	GCSE English language	Mr Todd	1081
Tuesday	After school	3.30-4.30	GCSE German	Mr Fox	1179
	22 nd March to 29 th May	3.30-4.30	A2 Media studies revision sessions	Mr Burners	8023
Thursday	Lunch time	12.45-1.25	GCSE Chemistry extended	Ms Lewis	8023
	After school	3.30-4.30	GCSE German	Mr Todd	1179
	March 27 th -April 6 th	3.30-4.30	AS/GCSE Media studies coursework sessions	Mr Burners	8023
	April 27 th -May 10 th	3.30-4.30	AS/GCSE Media studies exam sessions	Mr Burners	8023
	May 29 th	3.30-4.30	AS Media studies	Mr Burners	8023
Friday	Lunch time		GCSE ICT	Ms Mansaray	8048
		12.45-1.25	GCSE Chemistry core	Ms Lewis	8023

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](#)

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Visit the Library tab on the 'Parent Portal' to see all the information on the Photo competition.

Examination Results Dates

All CIE	10th August 2017
Edexcel GCE	17th August 2017
Edexcel & AQA GCSE	24th August 2017

Interviews with Mr Fleet and Mr Shaw will take place on Friday 18th August for current Year 12 students going into Year 13 and on Friday 25th August for current Y11 students entering Year 12. Details of times will be sent home shortly, if you are unable to make the date/time please inform Mrs Comodi as soon as possible, as it is possible to conduct the interviews over the telephone.

Exam Study Leave – Summer 2017

Students and parents are reminded of the following procedures regarding study leave during the GCSE/AS/A2 examination period:

- Students who have an examination in the afternoon are not required to attend lessons that morning.
- If they have a morning examination they are not expected to be in school the afternoon before.
- Lessons will continue throughout the examination period, until the last paper has been sat in each subject.
- Students are advised to liaise carefully with their subject teachers and form tutor throughout the whole of the examination period.
- If a student has no exams on any set day, they are required to be in school all day and attend lessons as normal.
- SMSC will continue during this period. This is especially important for Year 12 as the students will be beginning the university research and application process.



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

The Sixth form committee are organising an Easter Fayre in the school's Auditorium on **Thursday 6th April** from 2:30pm - 5:00pm

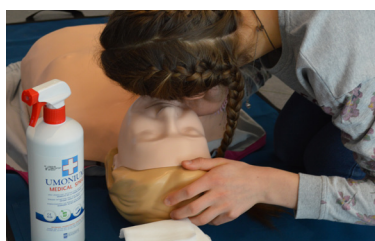
The event is free of charge and all parents and staff are welcome to attend.

There will be many fun activities available for all to enjoy!

Secondary Learn First Aid

Secondary students have been attending first aid classes. Year 10 students were taught a basic CPR, the recovery position and learned how to use the AED Machine.

22 Students in Year 13 have become Level 2 Emergency First Aid at work qualified. They will receive their certificates after the Easter Holidays.



Community News

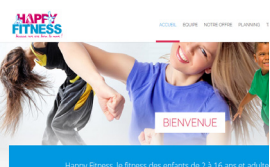


Beginner Swimming Lessons

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



MILAN JUNIOR CAMP 2017

Are you between 6 and 15 years old? Do you like football?

Then why not join the Milan Junior Summer camp 2017? The camp takes place in July from 9:00am - 5:00pm. For more information on the exact weeks and how to register please contact angelo.laquintana@eca.europa.eu. <http://www.allsoccer.it/>



British Stand of The International Bazaar | Book and Cake Sale Saturday 6th May | 10:00 to 12:00pm

Come along to the book and cake sale hosted at Top Squash from 10:00 to 12:00pm. There will be plenty of second-hand books, games and puzzles for all ages.

Delicious home-made cakes and sandwiches too! All proceeds go to charity. For more information visit www.britishstand.lu.

(25, rue de la Gare, Sandweiler).

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