

## **St George Preschool CIO– Term 5 newsletter**

Welcome to our term 5 newsletter, it looks as if we may be in for some lovely sunny days. Please remember to put sun lotion on your children prior to them arriving. The children choose to spend a lot of time in the garden and whilst there is some shade, and we provide sun hats it is better that they are protected.

### **Photo day – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> we are having concept photography come into preschool to take individual photos. Last year we had them taken in the garden, this produced some beautiful natural photos. We will be asking for them to be taken outside again this year.

### **‘Big’ school for September**

We are currently liaising with local schools to ensure a smooth transition to reception classes. We will shortly be sending you an email for your comments to add to their transfer form. We are expecting visits from most of the schools this is an opportunity for the children to meet their teachers in familiar surroundings.

### **Wednesday’s lunch time drop off / collection**

One again please can you remember that lunch time collect is **11:50** and drop off time for afternoon session is **12:00** We are constantly having children collected late, this is not only upsetting for your child it impacts on the staff trying to settle children arriving for the afternoon.

### **Accidents being recorded on tapestry**

We will shortly be starting to record accidents on tapestry, this will hopefully make it easier for staff to record and as parents receive the information.

### **Collection at end of day**

From term 6 we are pleased to be able to offer parents the opportunity of collecting their children from inside the preschool. We ask that you enter through the parent’s room, collect your child’s belongings from their peg then collect your child from circle time. You will then be asked to leave via the patio doors. We do ask that you then leave the garden promptly so that once all children have left the premises, we can commence getting the outside environment ready for the next day.

### **Exciting redevelopment of the preschool gardens**

During the six weeks summer holidays we are having a local company called ‘touchwood play’ develop both gardens. This will include a talking tree, pea gravel pit, large willow egg, mini tipi’s, bug house, planters and much more. Look out for pictures on facebook during the summer break.

### **Important dates**

**Last day of Term 5** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May (Inset day Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May) During our inset days we discuss all children that attend the preschool. We identify children’s individual needs; we agree any interventions needed and look at how we can provide different resources to engage and extend all children’s learning.

**First day term 6** - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. We will be having stay and play sessions on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July for our new starters in September. For those children coming back in September you will soon receive a letter confirming sessions and details of their first day back.