



# St George's Central CE Nursery

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## Newsletter – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Well another term has come to an end. Nursery will close today and re – open on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017**. Over the past half term, our new Deputy Manager, Mrs Cory has made a great start to life at our nursery. When we return in June, a further new staff member, Mrs Fersci, will be starting in her new role. I am sure you will get to know all our new staff members over the next few weeks.



**30 hours extended childcare** – As you will be aware from the recent email/newsletter, as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 working parents may be entitled to 30 hours free childcare. Parents of three and four year olds will need to meet certain criteria in order to be eligible for 30 hours free childcare and a new online application was launched at the end of April 2017. For further information, please refer to the Family Information Service website at <http://fsd.wigan.gov.uk/kb5/wigan/fsd/home.page>, contact the Early Learning and Childcare Team on 01942 828849 or contact Mrs Smith at our school site 01942 883773.

**Sun protection** – It seems ironic that I am typing this part of the newsletter on what has been the ‘rainiest day’ of the month! However, I am thinking positive, that over the next few weeks we will have some improved weather! As children will be outside for a relatively short period of the day we advise that they should come to nursery with a water bottle, a sun hat and sun glasses and that any sun cream should be applied at home before children come to nursery so that re-application in nursery will not be necessary. We will adapt any outdoor activities within our sessions and children will be encouraged to drink from their water bottles on a regular basis throughout the day.



**St. George's Central Summer Fair** – This will take place at our Darlington Street school site on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June (3:30pm – 5:30pm)** and will include lots of different stalls in our school hall, library and on the playground (weather permitting). There will be a raffle, throwing wet sponges, beat the goalie, chocolate and wine tombola, name the teddy, spin the wheel, nail painting and much more. In order to ensure that we have a really successful event, **we are going to have a non-uniform day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June** and for this we are asking that people bring in either tombola items, chocolates or a bottle of wine (this can be one per family and not each individual child). It would be great to see some of our Lancaster Avenue families at this event – I hope to see you there.

**Group Photographs** – Our group photograph has been on display for you to see and order if you would like a copy. We think it's a brilliant picture and is a great way for you to remember your child's time at our nursery.



**Stay and Play** – It was great to see the fantastic response to our recent ‘Stay and Play’ sessions. If you missed the opportunity to come and speak to staff about how your child is progressing with their learning and development then please let us know and we can arrange for you to speak to staff individually.

**Tapestry** – Thank you to those parents who attended our ‘Tapestry Workshop’ earlier this week. Tapestry is a system used both in school and nursery to help us identify and keep a record of your child's learning. It also gives you the opportunity to share any special or ‘Wow’ moments at home that you want us to know about. You can access the information via an App on your phone, tablet or home computer. For further information please visit the website: [www.tapestry.info](http://www.tapestry.info).



The next newsletter will be emailed out to you on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Paper copies of the newsletter will be made available at the nursery office for you to pick up should you wish. Have a great half term and month ahead.

Mr M Grogan – Headteacher

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