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## St. George's Nursery-Dragons Newsletter

### TIPS FOR PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR STARTING SCHOOL

At this time of year parents can become a little concerned about whether their child will be ready for school in September. We work very closely with our reception class teachers and they tell us there are a few important skills that would help children to get off to a good start when they start reception. We have included some of them below:

#### Personal and Social Development

- Having friends is hugely beneficial for children. Those who have already been to pre-school or a nursery will already be proficient in socialising.
- Children in reception should be able to choose activities independently.
- Know that actions can impact others.

#### Communication, Language and Literacy Development

- School children are expected to listen to what the teacher says.
- *You can encourage family discussions at the dinner table, taking turns to listen and to speak.*
- Can follow instructions.
- Can speak in complex sentences and use tenses correctly.

#### Health & Self Care

- Reception children will be expected to know the basics of looking after themselves.
- *You can encourage your child to dress on their own – tackling buttons, zips and taking off and putting on jackets.*
- Reception children will be expected to eat using a knife, fork and spoon independently and be able to go to the toilet without help.

#### Literacy Development

- Some children will already be able to read and write simple words by the time they start Reception; others will be new learners. **Both are fine.**
- It is important that your child can **recognise** their name so they can pick up the correct name-labelled uniform or jacket, and also find their drawer in the classroom.
- Help your child to recognise rhyming words in poems, stories and conversation.
- *You can point out the letters of your child's name in books or in the environment (side of buses, poster, packets)*

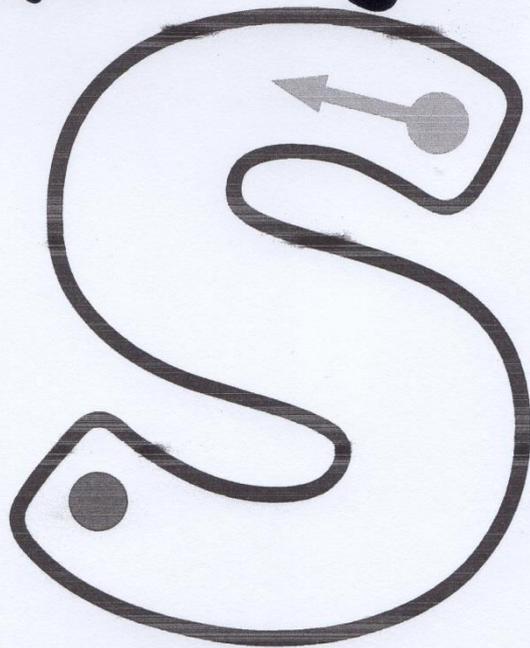
#### Mathematical Development

- Count to 10 in the correct order
- Match some numerals and amounts correctly
- Can recognise some shapes in the environment
- *You can count the steps/stairs you take together*

**IMPORTANT: Each child is an individual** and Transition to Reception Class is an important issue for your child. We look forward to working with you in the coming months to ensure that transition from nursery to school is smooth and that your child feels confident and well-prepared as they move on to the next stage in their learning. If you have any questions please speak to your child's Key person.

For more information regarding Transition visit: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/103378412>

Show and Tell  
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Monday  
Something  
beginning with...



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Thank you 

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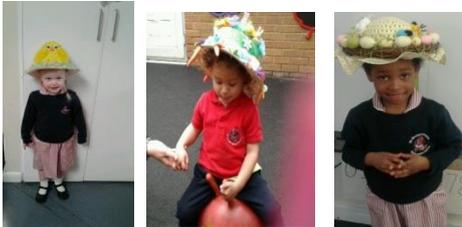
## St. George's Nursery- Dragons.

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What are we doing this week?  
Focus: numbers

### Easter Bonnets

Thank you for participating in our Easter Bonnet Parade. The children had fun on the Easter egg hunt and received a certificate for their Special Easter bonnets.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lilya & Mia

### Monday

Silly soup –phonics game  
Number songs

### Tuesday

Developing fine motor skill- Tweezers and rice

### Wednesday

Ten green bottles display  
What in the bag-Phonics game

### Gymnastics

### Thursday

Outdoor counting games on the field

### Hartbeeps,

Story book exchange.  
Number songs

### Friday

Counting and problem solving  
Cooking- Ginger bread people

### Information

#### School Uniform

Children may wear their summer uniform this term. **Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly labelled.** Some children are arriving at school wearing the incorrect uniform.

Please let a member of staff know if you are unable to send your child to nursery in the right uniform.

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St. George's Nursery Dragons has been serving the community for the last seventeen years. We have been asked by the governors to raise the profile of St Georges Nursery and let others know about the quality care and education we provide. We are aiming to have an open day for prospective parents on Wednesday 1st May.

We are asking for your help, If you are happy with the quality of care and education your child receives at 'Dragons', please review the nursery by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.daynurseries.co.uk/daynursery.cfm/search/azref/50001010STGA#reviews>

Thank you