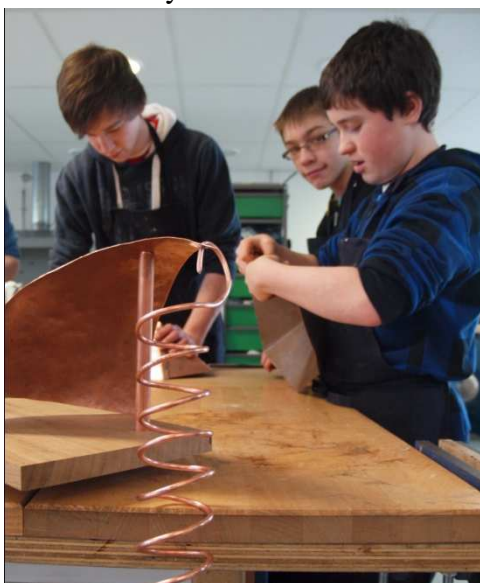


HORTICULTURE LATEST Unique Bird Feeding Station Designed and Built at St Bart's

Last month, the horticulture team in Year 10 built a 12ft bird feeding station. Designed to resemble a tree, the structure has nine separate feeding areas, each made out of copper and wood, plus several hanging feeders.

The students manufactured the structures with the help and expertise of the D&T faculty, especially that of Mr Davies, whose skill and commitment to this project enabled it to work so effectively.



I must also mention the efforts of Sam Wimbridge, who worked tirelessly to support the project. The whole project was supported by the Parents' Association whose generous support was used to purchase many of the materials.

Erecting the structure on location in freezing temperatures (as pictured below) was not without its challenges.



I hope you will agree that the final product is very impressive.

Hopefully, the birds will enjoy it even more than we do, and that it helps them to survive the cold winter.



Dr D Fitter
Assistant Headteacher

MANMADE PROJECT

"ManMade" is a boys' dance project in which members of the all male company "FuzzyLogic" work with boys from across West Berkshire, challenging their creativity and energy to push the boundaries of boys' dance. Monday saw the return of company member Luke Brown, to run the second workshop for the St Bart's boys. Many of the boys had not had much experience in this unique fusion of dance styles before, but they all took to it straight away! Luke challenged them with a technical warm up and then tested their memories as they ran through their performance piece from last year based on a busy day on the London underground. I think all the boys would agree that their favourite part of the day was learning a set of new ways to lift each other which saw them spinning each other in the air, flipping over each other and holding themselves upside down.



At the end of the session, they all got to show off their creativity by making their own duets using the skills they had learnt. Well done to all the boys who took part, who I hope will continue to develop their new found dancing talent!

Miss Hill

JOB VACANCIES AT ST BART'S

Head of Department, Spanish required for September 2013 (Teacher's Salary + TLR 2b £4225)

Teaching Assistant, 32.67 hours a week (8.40am-3.45pm) term time only.

Closing date for both vacancies 11 February.

Further details and an application form on the school website

<http://www.stbarts.co.uk/working-at-st-barts/>



HOUSE PLAY COMPETITION

**Wednesday 6 February
Evers/Patterson**

**Thursday 7 February
Curnock/Davis**

Both nights, 7pm in the Hall

Tickets on sale from the
Patterson House Heads' Office
£5 adults £3 concessions



PATTERSON PEOPLE

We hope that the recent weather conditions haven't caused you too much trouble and things are back to normal. The next big event for Patterson House is the House Play competition where the Year 12 students produce and direct a play performed by Year 10 students. This is held on Wednesday 6 February when Evers and Patterson perform, Curnock and Davis are the following evening (tickets are now on sale).

Another forthcoming event is Patterson House Evening to be held on 15 March 2013 at 7 pm. For those of you new to the school, this is the evening when Patterson students have the opportunity to perform on stage for the entertainment of family members. So if you feel you would like to sing, dance, play an instrument or maybe a short sketch for the entertainment of others, let your tutors know and then come to register at House office. Rehearsals/auditions are on Sunday 10 March time to be confirmed.

Recent awards have been made for Manuel Pinho, Ben Willoughby, Miranda Dockley, Callum Fletcher, George Boyce, Chelsea Black, Ebony Burton, Arty Blake, Jasmine Corrie in Year 8 all earned their Bronze; Lauren Dunlop, Matthew King, Isobel Bankier, Year 9 got their Silver and Isobel Loxton, Maddie Smith and Jenifer Alston all got their Gold awards; Evie Ballard earned her Platinum – well done all of you.

Mr Brennan, Mrs Pritchard and Mrs Humphries



SLEEPING BEAUTY Dance Trip

On Thursday 10 January other dancers and I travelled to London to watch a Matthew Bourne production; a modernised version of sleeping beauty. The production was held at the Sadler's Wells theatre. After grabbing our snacks and drinks we were seated into the theatre. The show however didn't start with the production, it started with a Matthew Bourne junior dance company, they performed a short piece of dance based on 'their dreams'.

The production itself used new modernised technology to make it more interesting and eye catching. I thought the character of 'baby beauty' at the beginning was cleverly done as they used a puppet. The puppet was very realistic and was controlled by people dressed in black; they camouflaged into the backdrop so you couldn't see them-it was very clever. Also on the floor of the stage a flat escalator was used, people danced and moved around it on, it made the scene look very surreal.

I found the story exciting as it was a modernised version, meaning it had a twist. For example the 'good prince' had a guardian angel who was a vampire. It was different and wasn't quite what I expected, nevertheless it was still very good.

My favourite scene would have been the garden party scene. In this scene the bad prince was trying to win the heart of the princess. They cleverly dressed the dancers in white, which highlighted the bad prince and his black rose. This scene, like all the others was made largely interesting, the dancing, the costumes, the colours, backdrops and music all came together to make a really fantastic show!

I would definitely recommend this to others who enjoy dance or Matthew Bourne productions. I'd say it's quite different to other shows he has done, but for me the best one so far.

By Ella Claridge 10P3

GERMAN EXCHANGE 2013:

Welcome, Welcome

There was much excitement as we set off for the German Exchange last Monday morning with 46 students from Years 9-11 boarding the bus with a great sense of anticipation. On arrival in the afternoon the group was greeted by their German partners with signs of welcome and a newly purchased Union Jack on show outside the school.



The next day involved a welcome from the local Mayor who gave the students a talk about the town of Monheim and also a gift to remember their trip, this was swiftly followed by a welcome from the German school's Headmaster in front of the teaching staff.



Further activities in the day involved our students working in English lessons allowing many German pupils to have a "real life"

native experience. This was particularly popular amongst the Year 5 German students who have just started learning English at the age of 10. That afternoon the students got to know their exchange partners better through a workshop which identified typical opinions of



Germany and Great Britain and German/British people. Students were then set the task of creating a video diary/ clip in mixed

groups to be presented later in the week.

On Wednesday the whole group (including the German partners) set off on a trip to Cologne where the students visited the Rautenstrauch-Joost-Museum where they were able to look at examples of different cultures and think about further stereotypes that exist in society. This was then followed by a long awaited shopping trip and for many the experience of their first German McDonald's!

See next week's BartholoNews for the next instalment of the Exchange. **Mrs Z Johnson BOYS' PE**

Year 8 County Cup Rugby

St Bart's 10 - 7 Forest School

The Year 8 rugby team recently competed in the county cup semi final at Maidenhead Rugby Club. After a comfortable win earlier in the season Forest went into the game as favourites and St Bart's knew that they would have to perform at their very best to stand a chance of winning and making the final. St Bart's started the game strongly and never gave their opponents time to settle into their game. Towards the end of the first half St Bart's dominance was rewarded with a try from Will Hutchins when he drove over the line strongly from a penalty. St Bart's started the second half in the same manner and continued to look dangerous in attack and solid in defence. The second try soon followed with Fin Chambers scoring under the posts after an intelligent kick from Joe Seward and a chase from Bukunmi Oluwande. Forest came into the game more as the second half wore on and the St Bart's defence was finally breached 5 minutes from time. However the team responded fantastically and were able to hold onto the advantage to claim an outstanding victory. The team will now meet Reading Bluecoat School in the final at Newbury Rugby Club.

The boys involved were Max Hayman, Sam Barrett, Will Hutchins, Tom Murrell, Matt Smith, Fin Chambers, Matt Grey, Tom Webster, Nick Haynes, Max Carnell, Ed Cullen, Dan West, Olly Smithson, Olly Harvey, Max Uden, Jamie Maughan, Bukunmi Oluwande, Joe Seward, Oscar Day, Harvey Rainbow, Sam Young, Tom Allum and Harry King

Year 7 Indoor Football

English School's FA Regional Final

The Year 7 football team recently competed in the English School's indoor football regional finals at Soccer City in Fareham. After impressively winning the Newbury competition the team travelled to soccer city in Fareham to compete against teams from around the south of England. The team started the competition well with a credible 2-2 draw against eventual finalists Victoria College from Jersey. This was followed by a narrow 4-3 defeat against Everest Community Academy from Basingstoke in a game that St Bart's dominated and should really have won. Two more draws followed against Harrow Way (4-4) and St Gregory the Great School (1-1). In the final game the team finally got the result their performances had deserved in beating St George Academy from Southampton 3-0. With 13 goals in 5 games the team finished as one of the top scorers in the competition but the goals conceded let the team down and they narrowly missed out on

making the finals. Despite this the team can be very proud of their efforts in a hugely competitive tournament.

The boys involved were Tom Cole, Jake Pemberton, Jordan Hobbs, Sam Hart, Tom Williams, Theo Thomas, Archie Awford and Jamie Wardle.

Mr Gibbons

GIRLS' PE

Senior Netball v Pangbourne, 23 January

The girls went into this fixture fired up and prepared for a tough match. They got off to a good start, opening up the scoring with a turnaround from the opponent's centre pass. They maintained this lead with some great shots and movement from Chloe Boulter. Pangbourne brought some back, but with some sharp defence from Hannah Benson and Josie Moxham the girls maintained their lead for the first quarter. The second quarter was a different story; Pangbourne hit back hard and the girls had to readjust. After letting Pangbourne fight back before half time, the girls soon settled in the third quarter, regaining their lead and playing their own game. The shooting by Emma Seymour was superb, safely resulting in goals giving St Bart's a comfortable lead. They continued this into the last quarter, with Pangbourne struggling to keep up. The final score was 17-10 to St Bart's with Emma Seymour player of the match.

Year 7 netball beat Little Heath 17-0 in the first round of the netball league. Player of the match Sophie Harrop. They also beat Theale Green 15-2, player of the match Lauren Bell.

Year 9 netball beat The Clere 14-0 in their latest league, Jo Kirk was player of the match.

Year 8 netball beat The Clere 18-1, Tosin Sonubi was player of the match.

Girls' football, U13 beat John Madejski in the first round of the Berkshire County Cup 4-1. Goals scored by Lauren Bell, Victoria Bullock and Fiona Paus. Player of the match Victoria Bullock.

Senior lacrosse played against Wellington College in a friendly match. 1st team won 5-0, Naomi Reay player of the match. 2nd team lost 5-1, Georgie Lillington player of the match.