

NEW SCHOOL OFFICERS TRAINING WEEKEND

Having been recently allocated our positions as school officers, on 6 June a group of Year 12s slowly but surely made their way to Kintbury for a weekend of activities and challenges designed to ensure the creation of the best possible team for the following year.



The first of our many challenges arrived a little sooner than expected. Upon arrival to the school, we were placed in small groups, given £5 each, a small map and were promptly sent on our way to the place that we were camping - St Cassian's Retreat. Alongside this, with the little money that we had, we were required to buy ingredients with which to cook a three course meal, not only for ourselves, but also a member of staff who would subsequently judge our dish and decide upon a winner. The prize of sweets quickly captured the attention of all those that may have felt a little unsure.



Having equipped ourselves with all the

necessary food and equipment, we all made our way to the Centre. Luckily the rain clouds cleared and we put up our tents without too much difficulty - though the wind did make it a bit tricky to hold everything down without it blowing away.

The weekend then really kicked off; we were given challenge after challenge until we had completely exhausted ourselves, both mentally and physically. From Lego building and puzzling over human sculptures, to map reading and trying to find our way around the Hungerford countryside; the weekend was a great experience. There were some moments that stood out - a rather unsuccessful human pyramid and a huge row about survival in a sinking ship are two amongst many more.



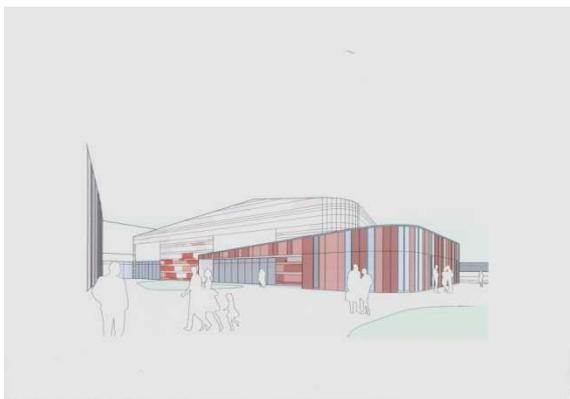
Alongside the fun that was associated with this trip, there was also a more productive side. The discussions that we had as a group really helped us not only develop strong relationships within the team, but also helped us start to prioritise our targets for the upcoming year. After much debate, we agreed on several things that we are hoping to achieve over the next year, and began to brainstorm how we would bring the school together through accomplishing these aims.

Luke Wilson, Head Boy and Annie Cave, Head Girl

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ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

The building works to enhance facilities at the school begin on Monday 24 June. The work will extend the school hall, creating a single storey area to be used for exams, independent study and extra performance space, as well as improving sports changing provision and providing additional storage room.



Over the next six months, the building work, to extend the Patterson Block, will mean that everyone in the school community should be aware of the need to take extra care in the areas associated with construction.

Care near a construction site

Students will be briefed about the building site, to which they will have no access, the necessary routes which they must follow and the way in which PE lessons will be managed whilst construction is under way.

Restricted parking

Please would all members of the school community be aware that parking areas will be significantly reduced. The construction company will section off the left hand parking bays (as you enter the school site) and the disabled parking bays, for use by lorries and as a turning space. Temporary disabled parking bays will be sign posted, taking up the first three bays by the field. Wherever possible, parents, staff and students are asked to reduce car use and parents are requested to meet students after school in nearby roads, when car transport is essential.

Sixth Form students are not to drive onto the main school site; if car use is essential, students should park in the Wormestall parking area or on nearby roads.

Cyclists

Students will be able to wheel their bikes to the bike shed from the Bartlemy Road entrance. They will need to re-join the path from the Bartlemy Road entrance to enter the Hub.

Property

Students currently with lockers will be required to vacate these. For the remainder of the summer term and until Christmas, there will be no external locker provision. Students are asked to bring only the essential items for the day's lessons. Where there may be a special requirement to leave belongings in school, parents should contact the tutor/House office to make alternative storage arrangements.

Emergency evacuation

Whilst the construction is underway and the back of the Patterson block is sectioned off as a building site, in the event of an emergency evacuation, the assembly point will be on the school field.

We are fortunate that the construction can take place without disrupting learning and look forward to much enhanced provision in 2014.

Mrs C I Haddrell, Headteacher

SCHOOL OFFICER PHOTOGRAPHS

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St Bart's Food Festival and Fete

It's nearly Fete time!

**Saturday 6 July
12 noon to 3pm**

We are looking for donations of bric-a-brac, books, plants, toiletries, bottles and so on.

Please leave your donations in the school reception

We are always looking for helpers and stallholders so please contact me as below

Fete organiser: Ginette Higgs
(ginette.higgs@gmail.com)



LATIN FOR BEGINNERS

To parents of current Year 8 students

Beginners Latin for Year 9 students will start in September. Lessons will take place for one hour a week after school and a charge of £50 a term applies. Letters have been distributed to Year 8 students via their tutors, but if your son or daughter does not have a copy, and would like one, please collect from Ms Coin in the English office.

If you have any questions about beginners Latin please contact Ms Coin at school by phone or email ecoin@stbarts.co.uk



EXAM NEWS RESULTS DAY

GCE AS & A2

15 August 2013 **Main Hall**
08.30 – 11.00

GCSE

22 August 2013 **Main Hall**
08.30 – 11.00

GCSE Science Modules

22 August 2013 **Exams Dept**
11.00 – 12.00

If you are unable to collect in person the following options are available:-

- Bring a stamped addressed envelope to the Exams Department and they will be posted to you.
- Telephone the Exams Department (01635 576347) after **10.00am** on results day. This line will be exceptionally busy so please be prepared to leave a message and we will call you back as soon as possible. You will be asked a number of security questions which may include candidate number, postal code, previous school, tutor group etc.
- E-mail exams@stbarts.co.uk after **10.00am** on results day. This account will be extremely busy so please be patient and we will endeavour to reply as quickly as possible.
- You can ask somebody to collect your results on your behalf, but the Exams Department will require written authorisation before Friday 19 July.

All the results issued are provisional. This means that they can change with any Post-Result outcomes (i.e. re-marks) you may request or late awards.

Exams Office



PATTERSON PEOPLE

Miranda Dockley of 8P3 did a charity bicycle ride (with younger brother) over half term of 26 miles and raised £54.

Also, getting their bicycles out and making the most of the outdoors were Olly Smithson, Joe Seward,



also of 8P3 and Harvey Rainbow 8P2 who rode 20 miles and collectively raised about £145.00 – brilliant effort everyone. At the Berkshire Athletics Track & Field Championships, in Reading recently Jamie Kuehnel 10P3 achieved three wins in the under 17 age group throwing events with 10.98m in the shot putt, 32.39m in the discus, and 47.58m in the hammer – well done Jamie. With all this activity going on let's hope Patterson have plenty of students volunteering and trying their best at the forthcoming sporting events. There is cricket and tennis, and a brain work-out needed for House chess. Come on Patterson do your utmost to put in a good effort the final sports competitions this year and achieve success at the sports days track and field events later this half term.

**Mr Brennan, Mrs Pritchard,
Mrs Humphreys**



St Bart's Dance Department

Presents the

SUMMER DANCE PERFORMANCE

**Tuesday 2 July
7.00pm, School Hall**

**Tickets £3/£5 available from the
art office (top floor or the
Curnock block) during first break.**

CRICKET AT EDGBASTON

Mr Bateman and Mr Hart took some of the Year 7, 8 and 9 cricket team players on a trip to Edgbaston on Wednesday 12 June to see the Australia v New Zealand ICC match. The match ended in a draw with rain putting an end to play.



We saw the whole of the Australia innings and fifteen overs of New Zealand's innings. A great day was enjoyed by all who went.



ONA MUSIC NIGHT

**Star performers headed
by St Bart's legend, John
Norris and 'Fat Chance'
so do come along!
Friday 21 June
2013**

at
**ACE SPACE, NEWBURY
7.30pm - 11.00pm**

£5 ENTRY
Tickets from St Bart's finance
department, Jacqui's Store
and Hogan's Music

DANCE DAY FOR YEARS 7 AND 8

Reports from Students

Reports for Year 7 dance day

We started off the day with a warm up that wore most of us out almost immediately. With a Zumba style warm up, we all felt ready to dance. Soon enough, Izzy Groves-Way and Lily West were teaching us the main phrases, sand, sea and sun. We started by practicing in partners, but were soon arranged into a complicated arrangement. Then, some of us were surprised when we were told we needed to do some of the phrases a lot faster! Soon we got the hang of it and it started to look like an original dance. I was enjoying the day so far.

Then, it was break and we got to tell the others in our class what we were doing and how fun it was. Most of us got back from break early as we were so eager to start dance again, and were practicing in the studio. Then, Miss Jones came and told us how to do a very complicated lift that made the person in the middle (in this case, Elsa) look like the rising sun, which fitted with our next phrase, the sun. Then we were able to adapt the phrases to make them different



and how we wanted. This was my favourite part, as it meant we could choreograph our own pieces of dance, which I enjoy doing.

Soon it was time for lunch, and some of us were practicing in the hub. Then it was time to get back to dance. After half an hour of practice for the beginning of the dance, we got onto the duet dances, where we made our own phrase out of pieces of the main dance. Soon, it was time to end the dance with the big finish, the wave. To finish our dance off we had a finishing position where we made a wave movement with our arms.

Overall, all of us thoroughly enjoyed the day and we would all do it again.

Libby Davis, 7C1

I am very thankful that Miss Jones organised this event, I personally feel it turned out really well and that I have definitely benefited from it.

In my opinion it was worth the wait and the help and support we received from the sixth formers, Lily and Izzy, was invaluable. They taught us many different techniques and motifs that we will be performing on 2 July.

The choreography was very well planned, it contained lots of detail such as toe pointing, straight backs and timing to name a few. The motifs were well thought of and are polished to perfection. My favourite section of the dance was the partner section where I was paired with Lucy James, I think the decision to pair us up worked very well.

Lily and Izzy are extremely talented and worked well as team leaders throughout the day. They were patient and understanding and were consistent with their approach, I was especially impressed with their choreography. Their confidence in their own teaching ability grew as the day progressed which filtered down to us as students making all of us want to keep doing better and better.

As a team I think we were all very energetic and excited to find ourselves working on a summer dance. I am pleased to say it turned out well and I have no doubt it will be sold out of tickets by 2 July. The only constructive criticism I would give towards the day was 'communication' it became less effective towards the end of the day as we were all tired. To improve I think we need to ensure we listen to each other's ideas and not to interrupt while others are talking.

In conclusion I think the day went well and my fellow dancers would agree. Miss Jones, Lily and Izzy were good at leading us through the day and were caring. It helps to have nice teachers and support that we can talk to that will understand our situation. I think the summer show will be a great hit with the audience and will be remembered for years to come.

Hannah Perry 7D2

Reports for Year 8 dance day

The dance day took place all day on 6 June. We were led by three amazing dancers which were: Lucie Dale, Scarlett Wroe and Georgie Williams-Moss. We started off with the warm up to raise our heart rates. It was very energetic and repetitive which helped you remember it easily.

We learned three phrases which were choreographed by the three girls. Then we had to go into four groups which had three people in it. We had to use the actions from the three phrases to create our own little dance. It lasted for three counts of eight. After we were comfortable with that we merged the dance together, it looked fantastic. All of us gave 100% energy. Some movements were sharp and some were smooth. The three girls explained the dance very well and it was simple to understand.

In our dance we also had a contact phrase which included two people running to each other and then one of them would hold their partners shoulders so they could jump higher. The other person would put their hands on their partner's hips to support their jump. We then did couple of lifts which were very sturdy.

Overall I loved my day; it was really fun and a very good fitness activity. It was full of energy and there was lots of extension of the feet and arms.

Weronika Wielgus 8E1

On Thursday 6 June for the whole day a group of 12 girls (including me) took part in a Dance Workshop. The Dance Workshop was organised by the dance department and only happened with the help of Miss Jones and Mrs Williams.

On the day we had no lessons and got to learn a dance to Mumford and Sons – The Cave. The dance was based around a motif of overlapping and we all learned three sections and then merged them together in a different but clever and catching to the eye way. As well as that we got to make up little sections in small groups.

On 2 July the dance will be performed in a whole school summer dance performance with other dances which I recommend coming to watch. Overall the day was very successful and very enjoyable and was worth it. With many thanks to Lucie Dale, Georgie William-Moss, Scarlett Wroe to choreographing the dance and taking a day of their study leave to teach us the dance!

Alissa Thiel – 8E2



EVERS HOUSE NEWS

Awards!

Congratulations to the following students on their achievement:

Bronze Awards:

Luke Tucker, Brijana Stanton-Jones, Thomas Banning, Aimee Cussell, Phoebe Kyle (7E3)
Robert Weekes, Gvidas Pisikas (9E3)

Silver Awards:

Ellie Brown, Gabriel Berger, Caitlin Watters, Ellie Wooldridge, Max Uden, Ellena Butt (8E2)

Ryan Lockwood, Will Monjack, Sam Nightingale, Matt Van Zyl, Albie Embleton, Alex Harvey, Holly Parsons, Maddie Hunt (9E3)

House Colours

Congratulations to the following Year 10 students who have been awarded their House Colours:

10E1: Chris Randall, Conan MacDermott, Joanne Willmer, Georgina Bradford, Oscar Forsey, Isla Harrison, Valentina Albanese, Imogen Watson, Johnny Bhatt, Joe Hobbs, Ellie Bingham and Ellie Grady

10E2: Anna Prudden, Eleana Forson, Jazzy Day-Langley, Will Seath, Ed Peppitt and Katie Gale.

This is an excellent achievement – recognition of a significant contribution to the House. There will be a further award of House Colours later this term.

School Officers

Welcome back to our Year 12 students after their AS exams.

We are looking forward to working with our newly-elected School Officers too:

Evers House Captains: Emma Tindall and Georgie Williams-Moss

Evers Deputy House Captains: Luke Gregory and Amy Hodgson

School Officers: Fran Miller, Prince Jiju and Hermione Dace.

Mr Rose, Ms Evans and Mrs Willcox

SENIOR CRICKET V ONA

Despite poor weather earlier in the day it was great to have the fixture go ahead at Falkland cricket club. The ONA winning the toss opted to bat with **Ben Myers** and **Josh Winfield** facing the tidy bowling of **Callum Johnson** (9-1-4 overs) and **Sharif Admadzai** (22-0-4 overs). **Callum** making his debut for St Bart's was particularly impressive, causing the opening pair real difficulty in getting anything away and claimed the first wicket of the game of the normally high scoring **Winfield**.

The team looked sharp in the field and captain **Will Herrington** set the field which particularly restricted **Myers** to a slow run rate. Bowling figures for the rest of the team read as follows with **Matt Nichols** being the most economical bowler (8-0-4 overs), **Cameron Flack** also impressing with his pace (21-1-4 overs) and **Luke Gregory** (25-0-4 overs). The other wicket came from a run out as **Olly Sopp** found wicket keeper **Osmond** who caused some controversy with the umpires after spilling the ball into the stumps along with his gloves afterwards.

The school was confident going into bat chasing 101, seeing the 5 an over run rate as very achievable. Unfortunately the top order batting line up struggled to establish a partnership as the strong ONA team filled with past captains pressurised the school. Former school captain **Adam Kite** claimed three wickets including openers **Gregory** and **Johnson**. ONA captain **David Barlow** took the key wicket of **Will Herrington** caught and bowled and **Sam Trumper** another former Captain claimed a hat trick as well. Top scorers with the bat for the school were **Sharif Admadzai** 21 (including five boundaries), **Olly Sopp** 18 and hero of the day **Ali Uwins** 16 key runs to push for the win in the friendly. The result of the match is an interesting one, the ONA allowed the school to have 12 batsmen and because of this the school went on to win the game. It was decided at the end to say the match was officially won by the ONA but the friendly by the school. Many thanks to all the supporters, Mr Herrington for scoring and the ONA for providing refreshments.

BOYS' PE

Year 8 Cricket League

St Bart's beat Downs by 7 wickets & beat Park House by 106 runs

After beating Kennet earlier in the season the Year 8 cricket team continued their good form with two convincing wins over The Downs and Park House. Bowling first against The Downs the team put in a fantastic display restricting their opponents to only 32 runs in 16 overs. The pick of the bowlers was Matt Smith who took 4 wickets and he was supported by strong performances from Jamie Maughan, James Bird, Olly Smithson and Oscar Day. The target was comfortably reached in 7 overs with the highlight of the innings being a huge 6 from Finn Chambers.

St Bart's batted first against Park House and scored a huge 135 runs in their 16 overs. Top batsman was Jamie Maughan with an unbeaten 50. He was supported well throughout his innings Michael Seath who scored 13 not out. The team completed an emphatic victory by bowling out their opponents for only 29 runs. All of the bowlers had good spells but the outstanding performance came from James Bird who bowled 4 overs, took 4 wickets and incredibly conceded no runs. The game concluded with a great moment as Dan West, playing his first ever game for the school team, took a difficult catch at square leg off the bowling of Matt Smith.

The boys involved in the games were: James Bird, Jamie Maughan, Finn Chambers, Michael Seath, James Murrell, Olly Smithson, Oscar Day, Luke Davies, Matt Smith, Archie Perks, Harry Bodin, Manav Narayanan, Harvey Rainbow, Nick Haynes, Olly Harvey, Dan West & James Dalton.

Mr Gibbons

FREESKI SUCCESS

Congratulations to Kyle Wood 9D1 who has been chosen to be part of the English Freeski Team.



Kyle recently took part in the Slope Style English Championship in Manchester where he came 3rd in the youth category and 7th overall.

ATHLETICS

Year 7 Boys and Girls Quad Kids Athletics Competition - 4 June at Park House

A Year 7 team consisting of ten athletes were selected to take part in the Quad Kids competition at Park House. Each athlete had to compete in four events which included 100m, 800m, long jump and vortex javelin. The athletes scored points based on how quickly they ran and how far they threw/jumped. The quicker they went and the further they jumped the more team points they scored!

As always, the St Bart's athletes performed superbly and were great competitors against six other local teams. The



combined team finished in spectacular form scoring an overall tally of 1654 points which put them in 1st place. Congratulations to all athletes who will now go on to the county round on 3 July at Wellington College.

County Athletics

8 June at Palmer Park

There were fantastic performances at the county athletics competition on 6 June for Yasmin Ryder and Millie Calkin. They both came 1st in their event and Yasmin achieved the English standard qualifying time in the 1500m which she ran in 4 min 44.7 secs and the qualifying time was 4 min 47 secs. Millie also achieved the English standard qualifying time in the 200m with a time of 35.7 secs. Both girls will compete at the English Schools Track and Field Championships in Birmingham on 5 and 6 July.

Berkshire Track and Field Championships 25/26 May

Jamie Kuehnel competed in the Berkshire County Championships and achieved gold in hammer, discus and shot putt. He also became Berkshire Schools County Champion in hammer and has been selected to represent the county in Birmingham on 5 and 6 July.

ROUNDERS

Year 8 v Trinity – 5 June

A nervous team set off to try and keep up the winning streak, but the girls played a fantastic game. In the first innings, batting first, a fair few rounders were racked up. Then, when fielding, Annabel Mangan did an amazing job at getting the batters out at first. Our lead was extended in the second innings and the final score was 17-3 to St Bart's. Well done to all the team and player of the match Annabel Mangan.

Year 10 Rounders Tournament

St Bart's hosted and organised the Year 10 Area Rounders Tournament last week. Well done to the Year 10 team who won the tournament.

Ten teams entered and St Bart's beat Park House, Willink and Little Heath in the group matches. The girls then beat Kennet in a close semi final 5 ½ - 5 and beat Theale Green in the final 5 ½ to 2 ½.

A special mention to our Year 9 rounders team who played in this tournament as a non scoring team and won all their group matches. A big thank you to the sports leaders who helped run the tournament.