

## CHINESE EXCHANGE 2015

The 2015 Chinese exchange has now been launched. The trip is open to all students in Years 8 to 12 inclusive and will take place in October of this year. We will go to Beijing and see the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square, traditional backstreets and an acrobatics show before taking the bullet train three days later to Qingdao and our partners at Qingdao no 2 Middle School. In Qingdao, visits and activities are arranged by the school in addition to spending time in class with our partners. Letters and application forms are available from Mrs Wood in the MFL department or from Mrs Gibbs' office. You do not have to be learning Chinese to participate – the Chinese students speak excellent English.



*Photos from the 2012 exchange.*

This is what some of the participants on the last exchange said about the trip: “Being in Qingdao was an amazing experience because you get to see how an actual Chinese family live” (Lebo Mahlanya).



“The Chinese exchange was the experience of a lifetime. I never thought I would climb the Great Wall or visit the Forbidden City” (Jimi Forkin). “

China has probably been the best experience that school has given me in a long, long time. Not only has it changed the way I see things, but the way I think.” (Stephane Morris)



## I'M AN ENGINEER



Students in Mrs Walmsley's Year 8 science class took part in an online event called 'I'm an engineer'. This was based around the Royal Institute Christmas Lectures which were shown on the BBC during the Christmas holidays. Students had watched the lectures as part of their Independent Study work and spent time reading profiles of engineers and asking them questions about their work and interests.

On 14 January the students took part in an online chat with four engineers who spent 30 minutes answering questions such as 'What's the favourite part of your job?'; 'Will robots take over the world?' and 'What's the biggest item that has been made by a 3D printer?'

The students really engaged in all aspects of this activity and asked some really excellent questions which the Engineers had to think very hard about answering. The 30 minutes flew by and students were still thinking up and asking new questions when the end of the chat arrived!

Below are some quotes from the students about this experience:

'The whole experience was amazing and it was great to get feedback from all the engineers. I would love to do this again.' – Sam Middleton 8C1

'The session was very inspirational and interesting. The engineers answered all my questions in detail.' – Rachel Newark 8C2

'The session helped me understand what could be created in the future.' – Jessica Raines 8D1

'I got an insight into an engineer's life and career.' – Yuri O'Keefe 8D1

'I found out a lot of useful information about 3D printers and that engineering is quite fun but hard work!' – Maddy Mitton 8D1

'The session helped me understand things from time travel to how to become an engineer. It was very fun and would be good to do again.' – Megan Bowey 8D2

The activity was a great success and science classes will look to take part in this activity again next year.

**Mrs B Walmsley, Head of Science Faculty**



## DIARY DATES

- Wed 21 Jan Y10 Subject Parents' Evening  
4.30-7pm, Curnock Block
- Fri 23 Jan Y7/8 Davis Charity Disco,  
7-9pm, Hall
- Mon 26 Jan Y9 KS4 Courses Parents'  
Information Meeting, Hall  
C/D 6pm; E/P 7pm
- Thurs 29 Jan Staff Training &  
Development Day**
- Fri 30 Jan Curnock House Evening, 7pm,  
Hall

## CALENDAR UPDATE

Please note the following amendment to the calendar.

Wednesday 1 April and Thursday 2 April  
A2 Art Exam, all day on both days will now  
take place on Wednesday 22 April and  
Thursday 23 April.



## PRINTING CREDITS

Please be aware that there are a number of parents who are purchasing printing credits regularly which are accumulating and are not being utilised by the students.

For clarity, each student receives 30p a week which is usually enough until Year 10 and Year 11 when students may choose to utilise the school printers for coursework, past exam papers etc.

Students can check their balance each time they log onto the printers. If students know they will be doing a large amount of printing in the near future then extra credit can be purchased.

When students leave, refunds of any balance can be given if requested.

**Mrs H Strutt, Finance Manager**

## MFL SPELLING BEE

At the end of last term all of our Year 7 students took part in the Foreign Language Spelling Bee competition. They had been given fifty words to learn in the language they are studying, either French or German, and were given one minute to translate as many words as possible from English into the foreign language and then spell each word using the foreign alphabet.



The top three students in each tutor group for German were as follows:

	1st	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>
7C1	Ellie Moreton	Leo Matthews	Siena Hickmore
7C2	Thomas Burscough	Clara Gilmour	Emma Davis
7C3	Brendan Chooi	Emma Leeson	Lauren Delavere
7D1	Sophia Chessum	Martha Shepley-Hobbs	Anna Tippet
7D2	Roxanna Monsef	Harriet Turner	Tyler Sherratt



And in French:

	1st	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>
7E1	Lawrence Baker	Kinshuk Bansal	Charlotte Dobson
7E2	Samuel Potter	David Grace	Alfred Morse
7E3	Ffion Murray	Alfie Robinson	Fran Smith
7P1	Theodore Loxton	Francesca Paynter	Gwen Noest
7P2	Eleanor Points	Sophie Mortis	Lola Callaghan

Every student's score contributed to the tutor group competition and the results were:

### German

1st 7D2  
2nd 7C1  
3rd 7C2

### French

1st 7E1  
2nd 7P2  
3rd 7P1

The top two students in each tutor group will be going through to the school round of the competition, where they will be tested on the words from this round plus an additional fifty words. The winners of the school round will progress to the regional round later this term, where they will compete against other schools from the area for a chance to compete in the national final in the summer. We wish them well.

## EVERS NEWS

Happy New Year from all in Evers.

Lights, Camera, Action!

The preparations for Evers House Evening are well under way. This year we are running with the theme of 'Evers Goes to the Movies'. Tickets for, what promises to be an exciting evening of entertainment, will be on sale soon. We would still encourage all students to share their ideas for acts with their tutor or the House office.

### House Colours

Congratulations to the following Evers students who have been awarded with their House colours:

James Glen, Oliver Evans, Bobbie Lainsbury, Cleona Freemantle.

## ALADDIN

Two St Bart's students performed at The Corn Exchange in this year's pantomime, Aladdin - Phoebe Cowhig 8P2 and Hannah White 8E2. Phoebe celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> show during this year's run, having performed for the last four years in The Corn Exchange pantomimes. Her total number of professional shows has now reached 122.

Hannah has performed two years running and, together with her sister Gemma who has been involved in previous years, they have reached over 100 panto shows.





## KS4 SCIENCE AWARD

The Science Department has rewarded students in KS4 who have made outstanding contributions, demonstrated significant improvement or just consistently worked hard. The first students to be nominated and receiving certificates in assembly were:

Chloe Leftley 10D3, Max Leftley 10D3, Kongpoom Varunrot 10P3, Isabelle Sanderson 10E2, Michael Seath 10E2, Daniel West 10C1, Gemma Boulter 10D1, Abby Graham 10E2, Arty Blake 10P1, Callum Fletcher 10P3, Ella Joyce 10D1, Lucy Walker 10C2, Angel Stone 10D1, Manuel Pinho 10P3, Eleanor Rollinson 10P1, Kieran Caulfield 10D1, Juan Mascarenhas 10E1, Dhanya Thomas 10E1, Harry Jones 10D2, Tilly Gould 10C2, Jacob Chhetri 10P3, Nathan Rosier 10C2, Henry Paynter 10P1, James Bird 10E1, Ethan Lupton 10P1, Maia Brown 11D2, Cait Prendergast 11D2, Amy Bowen 11E2, Jennifer Alston 11P2, Bethany Buckingham 11C1, Declan Smith 11C3, Will Monjack 11E3, Naomi Hill 11P2, Sam Nightingale 11E3, Jesse Emetulu 11E2, Chloe Dellar 11D1, Grace Porter-Brown 11D1, Hollie Slater 11C2, Izabela Kapelewska 11E1, Mike Hannafin 11E1, Natalia Truszkowska 11C2, Silpa Shajan 11E1, Freya Lynch 11E2, Jacques Wild 11D1, Sophie Abrehart 11C3, Michael Warner 11P1.

The three students randomly selected to receive a prize were:

Harry Jones 10D2, Henry Paynter 10P1, Natalia Truszkowska 11C2

Every half term teachers will nominate students from each of their classes to receive this award. Three names will be randomly selected from the nominees to receive an award. Everyone nominated will receive a certificate in recognition of their work in science. The next nominations are being made at the end of this half term, with certificates and prizes being awarded at the end of February.

## BOYS' PE

### Football

Year 7 boys had their first taste of school football as 14 students played in the West Berkshire six-a-side tournament at Trinity. Both the A and B squads performed exceptionally well in all their games with plenty of quality passing and solid defending with the B team finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in their competitive league. With a dramatic last minute winner by Ben Djekic against JoG the A team deservedly won the competition with a record of three wins and two draws. They have now qualified for the South of England Regional Tournament in Hampshire on Tuesday 20 January to try and qualify for the national final. Well done to both squads on an excellent start to the season.



Players – Will Freer, Ben Djekik, Oscar Williams, Sam White, Luca Vicaria, Callum Rosier, Ivan Knyazev, Kris Reddan, Alexander Howgate, James Ellams, Alfie Bullock, Mateusz Opitek, David Grace, Jason Agar.

## GIRLS' PE

### Lacrosse v Heathfield, 10 January

Scores and players of the match

1 <sup>st</sup>	won 14-8	Annie Taylor
2 <sup>nd</sup>	won 12-0	Paige Pope
Y10	won 8-5	Amy Quesada-Getgood
Y9	won 8-4	Millie Pope
Y8	won 11-8	Ottilie Sanderson
Y7	won 13-2	Lola Calaghan

### Senior Lacrosse v Heathfield

On the first Saturday fixture of the new term and after a long Christmas break, both teams were looking to continue where they left off in early December. The first team started strongly and were never really troubled by the Heathfield side. With fantastic support on the side lines the girls moved the ball well and with determined drives, they found themselves 7-4 ahead at half time. The second half continued in the same way with the final score 14-8 to St Bart's and defence player Annie Taylor earning the player of the match.

The second match saw an enthusiastic second team dominate from the first draw. They linked well as a team showing excellent passing skills and team work. The final score of 12-0 was testament to how well they are training and progressing as a squad. Player of the match was awarded to Paige Pope.

**First Team** – Tamara Yeung, Cicely Colthurst, Ciara Seward, Yvette Pinder, Christie Leach, Anna Prudden, Millie Calkin, Ellie Bingham, Yas Ryder, Jo Kirk, Bobbi Lainsbury, Annie Taylor, Saffron Langley, Sophie Steele-Child, Jen Alston and Ruby Hornsby.

**Second Team** – Paige Pope, Hannah Bodin, Amy Brown, Lou-Lou McFadzen, Elin Landhed, Alex Maughan, Annie Wheatland-Clinch, Isla Harrison, Katie Clements, Georgie Bradford, Jen Alston, Amy Bowen, Cait Prendergast, Harriet Denton, Saskia Spencer and Lauren Manton.

### U15 v Heathfield

Playing a home game the team won 8-5. Well done to Annabel Mangan, Abby Graham, Georgie Sanderson and Amber Layton who each scored fantastic goals. The rest of the team showed exceptional skills and teamwork. Well done to Annabel Mangan and Amy Q-G for receiving players of the match and to goalie Freya Eva who saved many goals.

Team – Annabel Mangan, Laura Kirk, Frankie Twyford, Amber Layton, Ellie Fell, Georgie Sanderson, Abby Graham, Izzy Sanderson, Susie Drake, Rebecca Shaw, Beth Daly, Alissa Theil, Amy Quesada-Getgood and Freya Eva.

### Y7 Report

This match saw some great mid-fielding from Lola which meant she was player of the match.



As a team there were great shots and goals from many of the girls including Charlotte Dobson and Melissa Congerton, Megan Van-Zyl, Siena Hickmore, Francesca Smith, Lola Callaghan, Maya Landhed, Hattie Smithson, Jess Harrison, Freya Owen, Casey Willoughby, Esme Layton, Lucy Q-G, Frankie Paynter and Elsie Overend.

### Year 8

On a very windy and wet Saturday the Year 8 team played against Heathfield. The first half was fairly even between both teams with end to end action, however St Bart's had a lot more to give.



With a strong team talk at half time the girls were energised and came out to dominate the second half. Great passages of play from all areas of the pitch put a final score of an 11-8 win to St Bart's. Player of the match Otilie Sanderson.

### **Y9 v Heathfield**

The Year 9 team made an excellent start to the second half of the season as they won 8-4. The girls were lacking a bit of fitness after the Christmas holidays, but at times played some very good lacrosse. Goals were scored by Millie Pope, Issi Lainsbury, Lilia Norman and Thea Manton. Well done to Millie for being awarded player of the match.

Squad – Alice Points, Issi Lainsbury, Harriet Atherton, Courtney Renouf, Jess Allum, Emma Greenslade, Lilia Norman, Katherine Wadge-Berrosapi, Millie Pope, Hannie Mahant, Finola Mangan, Thea Manton, Niamh Watson, Alex Earle, Tegan Scapens.

### **Netball News**

The Y7A and B teams and Year 8 team played friendly fixtures against Queen Anne's last week. Results and players of the match follow.

Y7A	lost 7-2	Daisy Kijksman
Y7B	lost 11-2	Lauren Delavere
Y8	lost 22-3	Issi Sutton

### **Report Year 7A team**

The Year 7A team played against Queen Anne's Year 8 team which was a hard match. The dodging from St Bart's was good and the girls managed to gain a few goals. Daisy was player of the match as she did very well, even though she had a bad injury.

### **Lola Callaghan 7P2**

### **Report Year 7B team**

This was a tough game for the Year 7B girls against Queen Anne's Year 8C team. The player of the match was Lauren Delavere who played excellently throughout the game. Even when faced with a difficult match the girls all tried their hardest and worked exceptionally well as a team.

### **Melissa Congerton 7C2**

## **ATTENDANCE HOTLINE**

### **For all years, including Sixth Form**

If your child is absent from school please ring the hotline number

**01635 576372**

Leave a message with the following details:

- Your child's name and tutor group
- Reason for absence
- Likely date of return
- Contact telephone number

## **TERM DATES 2015**

### **Spring Term 2015**

Staff Training Day	-	29 January
Half Term	-	16-20 February
Student Term Ends	-	2 April

### **Summer Term 2015**

Staff Training Day	-	20 April
Student Term begins	-	21 April
May Bank Holiday	-	4 May
Half Term	-	25-29 May
Student Term ends	-	21 July

### **Autumn Term 2015**

Staff Training Day	-	1 September
Student Term begins	-	2 September
Staff Training Day	-	23 October
Student Half Term	-	23-30 October
Student Term ends	-	18 December