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CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCHOOLS

We are delighted to have received a letter of congratulations from Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for Schools, for our achievements. I would like to share the letter, as follows:

Dear Ms Mortimore

I am writing to convey my warmest congratulations to you, your staff and your pupils for your school's very high standard of achievement in the GCSE exams in 2015.

The percentage of pupils achieving five or more GCSEs at grades A*-C, including English and mathematics, shows that your school is one of the top 100 non-selective state-funded schools in England.

In addition, your school is one of the top 100 non-selective state-funded schools in England based on the percentage of pupils achieving the English Baccalaureate. Ensuring your pupils are achieving high standards of attainment at key stage 4 provides a strong basis for their further education and employment.

Thank you for your work in these important areas of a young person's education and congratulations again to you and your staff for your hard work and professionalism.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely
Nick Gibb, MP

OLD NEWBURIANS' ASSOCIATION BALL



SATURDAY 16 APRIL 2016
7.00pm for 7.30pm Dinner

At St Bart's, Hall and Dining Room

**All staff and friends
of the school community are welcome**

Three course meal and coffee
Cash Bar
Black Tie/Lounge Suit

To purchase tickets email Tricia
president@oldnewburians.co.uk
by 23 March latest (dinner and dance)

Tickets £30 for dinner and dance
Disco only tickets £10 (book by 15 April)



HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION

This evening
Tuesday 1 March
7.00pm in the Hall

Some tickets still available from
the Art Office
£5 adults
£3 concessions



Parents' Association DISCO Years 7/8

Friday 11 March
7 – 9 pm Entry £3
St Bart's School Hall

DIARY DATES



Mon 29 Feb	House Debating, all week
Tues 1 Mar	House Dance Performance, Hall, 7pm
Wed 2 Mar	PA Meeting, 7pm
Fri 11 Mar	PA Disco, Y7/8, Hall 7-9pm
Sat 12 Mar	PA Quiz Night, Hall, 7pm
Thurs 17 Mar	Easter Concert, Hall, 7pm (date change from calendar)
Fri 18 Mar	Patterson House Evening, 7pm
Sat 19 Mar	ONA Lacrosse, Netball and Football Matches v 1 st and 2 nd Teams

Quiz

SIXTH FORM QUIZ NIGHT

For Sixth Form Students and Staff

Sixth Form students are organising a quiz night to raise money for our partner school in Kyiase, Ghana. This is on Friday 4 March at 6pm in the Hall. Sixth Form students and staff wanting to enter a team of six please email names and team name to Tom at olivi064.869@st-barts.org.uk.

Don't miss out – the students have got some bangers lined up.



SIXTH FORM INTERVIEWS

Sixth Form applications have been strong this year, both from our own Year 11 and students from other schools.

We are meeting all applicants for interviews this week and next week. Interviews will take place during the school day and students have been given their appointment via their tutor. Following the interviews offer letters will be given to the students, confirming the outcome of the interview and also the subject choices.

In the meantime if you have any queries please contact the Sixth Form Office on 01635 576368 or email sixthform@stbarts.co.uk

Mr Robbins, Head of Sixth Form



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EXAM STRESS PARENTS' SESSION

Wednesday 23 March 2016

Main Hall

Delivered by Kate Pike and Amy Law –
Educational Psychologists



NINETEENTH CENTURY NOVELS

Students in Year 9 have been set a challenge this year – to read nineteenth century novels. This is crucial preparation for the new GCSE as they will need to sit an exam on 19th century fiction and are expected to be overall, sophisticated readers.

As a part of this challenge they were asked to produce display materials that reflect their enthusiasm and understanding of these exciting novels. The range of entries was truly impressive; everything from quizzes and book covers to lesson ideas and entire magazines.

The finalists' work was displayed in the Break Out space in Curnock during Year 9 Parents' Evening and the parents had the opportunity to vote for their favourite. The votes will be counted and the overall winner will be announced in whole school assembly tomorrow, 2 March. The lucky student will receive a prize.

The finalists are Ffion Godwin 9D2, Lorien Carter 9D1, Rachel Newark 9C2, Thea Jaques 9D3, Nichola Connorton 9P2, Georgia Davison 9P1, Anneli Giaever-Enger 9P2, Hira Ahmad 9P1, Daisy Perks 9D3.



WORLD BOOK DAY

The school is celebrating World Book Day on 3 March. Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 can collect a book token and there is a quiz taking place during Activity Time in the Curnock Break Out space.

Staff are also getting involved, with some taking part in a fancy dress competition.



DISABLED CAR PARKING SPACES

Please respect the need for members of our school community who are disabled to park in these spaces. **They are**

not for general use.

We are issuing badges to be displayed in vehicles where there is a disabled student/staff member.

If you believe that you require a badge, please contact your House office.

Mrs M Sims, Deputy Headteacher

JUDO SUCCESS

Congratulations to Jacob Aldridge 11E1 who is now ranked 14th in the World Cadet Ranking list.

He recently came away from the Spanish European Cup with a silver medal and has qualified for the European Championships.



BOYS' PE

Football Results

Year 7 beat John O'Gaunt 5-2. Man of the match, Will Oxley.

Year 9 beat Park House 1-0. Dan Stevenson scored and man of the match was Sam Middleton.

Year 10 beat Park House 3-0 before half time with Kalebh Black man of the match after scoring a hat-trick playing in defence.

GIRLS' PE



Year 10 v Kennet, Netball

Well done to the Year 10 team who beat Kennet in a league fixture, 25-12.

Player of the match Niamh Watson.

Netball v John O'Gaunt

Year 10 won their league game 28-21, Beth Pinfold was player of the match.

Year 7 played a friendly match and a won 18-1, Luci Robertson was player of the match.

**Girls' Area Cross Country
Wednesday 10 February,
Newbury Showground**

A big thank you to the girls who recently ran in the Area Cross Country. For some, this is not their most favourite event of the year, but as a PE department we are grateful to you for your support and ensuring that in each age group full teams were fielded.

Results, with the names of the top three in each age group.

U13 finished in 1st place out of ten schools. Luci Robertson finished brilliantly in 1st place with Rebecca Thomson 2nd and Georgina Thomson 3rd.



U15 girls finished 5th out of seven schools. This was a really tough event for the girls who rallied round to get a team together. Placings were Izzy Sanderson 16th, Annabel Mangan 30th, Millie Pope 32nd.



U20 girls finished in 1st place out of two schools. Rebecca Downie 2nd, Georgie Bradford 3rd and Hannah Wolak 4th.

Athletics News

Congratulations to Mia Eldridge. Mia competed at the English Indoor Championships in Sheffield during half term. After two promising early throws Mia was in 5th place for the U15 Shot with 9.78m. Unfortunately it was not Mia's day and she could not repeat some of her training throws and in the last two rounds of six she was overtaken by two athletes to finish overall 7th. This is still a brilliant achievement.

PE Department

ATTENDANCE HOTLINE

If your child is absent please remember to report this on the attendance hotline. This is for students in all years, including Sixth Form.

Tel: 01635 576372