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WELL DONE TRIO TRIATHLON TEAM!

A group of Year 7 students from Patterson House decided that they wanted to do their bit to support the Patterson House charity, Guide Dogs for the Blind.



Darcy Hunt, Elsa Farrow and Josephine Winchester decided to give up their Sunday morning on 24 March to take part in their own 'Trio Triathlon'. Darcy completed a 5km (200 lengths) swim in 1 hour 27 minutes. Josephine completed her 10km bike challenge in 57 minutes and Elsa completed a 5km run in 30 minutes. The trio have raised in excess of £350 for Guide Dogs for the Blind.

ECO CLUB:

Plea for parents to turn engines off whilst waiting to pick up students

As mentioned in last week's BartholoNews, some parents who drive to pick up their children from school are not turning off their

engines while they wait. This is causing the emission of unnecessary fumes into the air, contributing to the atmospheric pollution that is having detrimental effect on our environment. Although it may seem that leaving your engine running for five or ten minutes will only have a minor impact; **on Thursday last week, we recorded that eighteen cars were parked with their engines running for an average of over five minutes each.** This will have resulted in the emission of harmful carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, hydrocarbons and particulates.

Not only do these emissions contribute to global warming, by accelerating the greenhouse effect, they also have adverse effects on lungs, particularly in children, leading to an increase in the incidence of lung disorders. Although the environmental and health benefits are the most significant motives to this plea, there is also the benefit of saving fuel and therefore money. Please think about your impact whilst you wait in your car, and switch off your engine.

Amy Turner (Y13) and Eco Club

**HOW TO BE MORE
ENVIRONMENTALLY
FRIENDLY**



Tip of the week from the Eco Club

Take shorter showers

GERMAN EXCHANGE TRIP



When I arrived at school on Monday morning, I was wondering whether I had

made the right decision to go on the trip but, very quickly, my misgivings gave way to excitement. We were off to another country and it was something new to everyone. No one had been on an exchange yet, so we had no idea what it would be like; quite simply, it was brilliant. The journeys were great fun and I made friends with lots of other people, so don't worry if you don't yet know anyone going on your exchange.

When we arrived at the German school, our exchange partners were already there to greet us. My partner and his family introduced themselves. Luckily, his dad spoke English as well as German so, when there were gaps in my knowledge, both my exchange partner and his dad could help. When we got home I met the rest of his family and they were so nice to me that I quickly felt at home. I realised that everything was fine and I would be OK, despite being in another country.

My partner introduced me to his friends at school and took me to my first lesson where I met up with several other students on the exchange. We went on lots of trips: to Cologne, into town, to a skating rink. We also ate out at several restaurants, not all German ones. It gave us the opportunity to chat with other people's partners as well.

Lastly, both our teachers and the German ones did everything they could to keep us interested throughout the trip. They worked incredibly hard and I am very grateful to them for giving us such a great experience. Thank you Miss Smith and Christina. I'm really looking forward to seeing my partner in June and encourage everyone else thinking about going on a trip to go. It's worth it and leaves you with a very real experience of a foreign culture.

Scott Pender-Thaw, 9P2

Calendar



All Years Berkshire School Winter Games,	Weds 27 Mar	Bisham Abbey – all day
Y9(G) Geography Trip	Weds 27 Mar	Kew Gardens – all day
Whole School Quiz	Weds 27 Mar	
Y7/8 Author's Aloud Visit	Thurs 28 Mar	Y7 P2, Y8 P3, Workshop P4
Y8 Subject Parents' Evening	Thurs 28 Mar	Curnock Block, 4.30pm -7.00pm
Y10 CCF(RN) overnight on HMS Bristol	Thurs 28 Mar	depart 3.20pm (ret 3.30pm 29 Mar)
Y 10/12/13 CCF Field Day CCF Inspection Day	Fri 29 Mar	
Patterson House Evening	Fri 29 Mar	Hall, 7.00pm
ONA Netball & Lacrosse Matches	Sat 30 Mar	1st/2nd Netball 10.30am 1st/2nd Lax 12.30pm
Y8 Deadline for return of Curriculum Choices	Mon 1 Apr	
Y7, 10 & 11 Reports issued	Tues 2 Apr	
Spring Concert Rehearsal	Tues 2 Apr	Hall, all day
Spring Concert,	Weds 3 Apr	Hall, 7.00pm
Meningitis B Immunisations, Some Y12,	Thurs 4 Apr	Conference Centre
Y13 Law Revision Trip,	Fri 5 Apr	London, all day
Friday 5 April - END OF TERM		
CCF AT Week, Dartmoor	Fri 5 Apr	(return 12 April)
Revision School, Y12/13		8-12 April
Geography Study trip to Iceland		8-12 April

View all school events in our online calendar, [click here to go straight there](#)



Clubs & Societies Spotlight

GRAPHICS CATCH UP CLINIC

When: Tuesday, 3.20 – 4.45

Where: D114

Who for: Y10-13

Benefit from use of the Graphics equipment and space to complete work. Develop coursework and receive extra one to one teacher support to catch up on work. Staff can also assist students that are aiming for a 7+ at GCSE or B and above at A Level.



How to join in: Contact Miss Suggitt in D114/Art Department.

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION FAMILY QUIZ AND CHIPS

The Parents' Association Family Quiz and Chips night raised a fantastic £1050 for the school and was enjoyed by all. This amount is being match funded by a parent working at Vodafone.

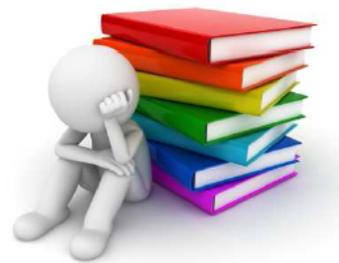


Thank you to all the parents, staff and students who took part and a special thanks to Peter Bell and his team of two students who did the hard work on the night, The amount raised will help fund the extra curricular activities and House Incentive and Reward schemes.

Debbie Carter, PA Chair



Exam Stress & Anxiety Information Session for Parents & Carers and Students



6.30pm

Monday 1st April 2019,
Wormestall Conference Centre
St. Bartholomew's School

If you are unable to make the above free session, then West Berkshire Council's Emotional Health Academy are running an Exam Anxiety Workshop for Parents on 4 April at St Joseph's Primary School at 18:30 costing £5 per person. To book or for more information: <https://bit.ly/2HTAI4d>

HOUSE DRAMA 2019

On Tuesday 19 March 2019, Years 10 and 12 took part in our annual House Drama Competition. Year 12 directed their own original performances independently which were then performed by Year 10. The night was filled with nerves and excitement from all four Houses as parents, friends and teachers filled the hall to watch the performances the students had been working on for months.

First to perform was Curnock House, beginning the evening with a high. The hilarious adaptation of well-known fairy tales had the audience in stitches throughout. Despite being one actor down, they managed

to find a way to work through it smoothly and still create an amazing performance to watch.

Following Curnock was Davis House. This original script was about gangs, following a young girl who wanted to be a part of the “Red Skulls”, a group of powerful and intimidating girls. Their leader’s hilarious mother always found a way of accidentally embarrassing her.

Third up was Evers House. This mix between the famous “play that goes wrong” and JFK’s assassination was an engaging and educational piece which made the audience cry tears of laughter.

Last but not least, Patterson House. For our piece, we transformed the game ‘Cluedo’ into a tense murder mystery performance and the twist at the end was that the characters were patients of a mental institution, simply playing a game. Live music accompanied the piece to set the scenes.

As all the Houses sat on the stage waiting for the winner to be revealed there was silence. Each House was full of nerves, excitement and anticipation. When the winner was revealed there were ecstatic cheers from Patterson. The audience applauded and the room was full of a great sense of achievement. The House Drama Competition was a great experience and such an amazing creative competition to be a part of.

Keneisha Pointer, 12P2

PE

Netball

Recently we played netball league games against Willink School, scores and players of the matches were as follows:

Year 10, won 27-11, Luci Robertson

Year 11, lost 13-12, Jess Harrison

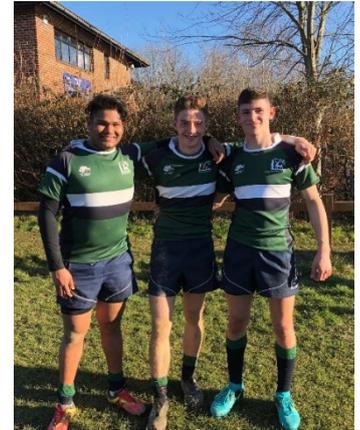
Well done to our Sixth Form Netball team who who won a league match against Kennet School, 22-10. Well done to Jessica Raines who was awarded player of the match.

Rugby

Congratulations and well done to St Bart’s students Charlie Shakespeare, Johann Mascarenhas and Fin Williams, who all put in

excellent performances for Berkshire Rugby U15’s in a victory against Sussex at Crawley RFC.

Also Ben Newman, Will Conington and Johann Mascarenhas then played well in another win for Berkshire, this time against Buckinghamshire, 26-19. This is testament to the



hard work they have put in and building on the excellent year they have had with the St Bart’s



Year 10 side, where they put together an impressive national cup run culminating with a tour to Toronto in the summer.

Photography Competition



Each half term there will be a photography competition to enter and the theme this half term is...

EGGS

Deadline: Tue 2-4-19

Email entries to pturner@stbarts.co.uk with your name, your tutor group and a brief description

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