

# BartholoNews



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## PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The school was formally presented with a cheque by this year's Parents' Association and is delighted these funds have contributed towards so much which enhances the education for all students at St Bart's.



A contribution of £10,000 went towards new staging, £1,000 to support awards including ties and badges and £1,000 for the Young Enterprise Programme Membership. Other departments to have benefited from sums up to £500 are:-

- MyMaths subscription
- Football and lacrosse goals
- Chess clocks
- Equipment to support the bird feeding area
- Fairtrade display board
- Equipment for Health & Social Care
- Cineclub Gold Membership (Media)
- Benches and tables
- Artwork and artefacts (RE)
- Wired Mac keyboards (Expressive Arts)
- Visualisers (Construction)
- Drying racks and aprons (Textiles)
- Digital cameras (English)
- Polyhedron clip together shapes (Maths)

The funds raised by the PA are considerably boosted by the Vodafone Match Funding Scheme and the PA and school would like to thank all parents who have helped to access this scheme.

## RUN (OR WALK) MEL'S MILE

With the GB Olympic Hockey Medalist  
**Alex Danson**

In aid of Prostate Cancer Research at the RBH  
and Newbury Cancer Trust

On Saturday 4 May

At St Bart's, Fifth Road

Six separate mile runs (walks) starting at 9am

Aerobic warm ups before each mile by

Hart Beat

Cake Sale and Raffle

Further information from

Mel on 07889 699907

## YEAR 10 PARENTS' EVENING

Wednesday 8 May 2013

4.30 – 7.00pm

Curnock Block

## St Bart's Food Festival and Fete

**It's Fete time again!**

**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](mailto:ginette.higgs@gmail.com))





## EMOTIONAL AND MENTAL HEALTH 'IN FOCUS' SERIES OF TALKS

A series of talks on issues that affect young people, tailored for parents/carers and professionals working with children and young people, presented by Jan Lever, Clare Williams, Joanna Feast and guest speakers. Come along to St Bart's find out more about each issue and how you can support children and young people experiencing these emotional issues.

All talks take place at St Bart's from 7.00 – 8.30pm and cost £15 per person per session.

Family Changes	Tues 14 May
ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder)	Thurs 16 May
Drug & Alcohol Misuse	Tues 21 May
Building Self-Esteem & Confidence	Thurs 20 June
Domestic Violence	Mon 24 June
Attachment	Tues 2 July

Contact for bookings and enquiries – [joanna@janlevereducationaconsultancy.com](mailto:joanna@janlevereducationaconsultancy.com) or ring 07764 166112



## DAVIS DIARY

Spring has at last arrived and the days are starting to warm up.

Congratulation to **Amy Broughton** who won the *Civic Young Person Award* for establishing and running a successful netball team at Speenhamland Primary school. Well done to **9D1** who raised £11.06 in their penny collection



Congratulations to **Dermot Gannon** who has been selected to represent Great Britain at the French National Sailing Championships in July.

The following students have received awards as follows:

Good Work Prizes	Gold Award
Kieran Portlock Nojus Dudinkas Daniel O'Connell Sabrina Rivera Megan Prendiville	Jaques Wild Danny Field
Senior House Colours	Bronze D of E
Carl Stanley	Callum O'Neill Amy Major

Well done to all and keep up the hard work.



## YEAR 11 GRADUATION

We look forward to this year's cohort graduating, and receiving certificates for their efforts.

Students should be completing their Passports to graduate, or to graduate with Merit or Distinction. All passports should be signed by tutors and given to House Heads. Each student who has done this will receive a personalised certificate, signed by the Headteacher.

These achievements, and others, will be recognised at a special celebration assembly during the morning of **Friday 10 May 2013 in the Hall**. As it is a special day, uniform is not required. The dress code for the day is smart, business dress, with the best dressed receiving a discount on their Prom tickets. **Students should not spend money on clothing for Graduation Day**. Students may bring a shirt or leaving book into school for signing on 10 May.

As we look towards the GCSE examination period, and students aim to perform to the best of their abilities, the following are targets for all Year 11 students:

- Completion of all coursework
- Full attendance at all lessons and revision sessions
- Full commitment to study, both at school and at home
- 100% attendance and punctuality for all exams
- Full school uniform to be worn to all lessons, revision sessions and exams
- Respectful behaviour towards other students, staff and school property
- Return of any books to the library not required for exams, and thereafter all texts
- Completion of any outstanding sanctions such as detentions

Students who meet all of these requirements can look forward to a successful series of examinations followed by:

- Entry to Sixth Form
- Access to Further Education or employment supported by positive references
- An enjoyable Prom – **tickets for the event on Thursday 27 June will be on sale after half-term.**

Mr N Cook – Assistant Headteacher Years 7-11

## EASTER STUDY TRIP to SHANGHAI, CHINA: 2013



In the first week of the Easter holidays, 21 students went on a trip to Shanghai, China. It was an incredible experience, and one I don't think anyone who went will ever forget.

Before we left, we all took part in a series of meetings and presentations, telling us all about the trip, what to expect, and teaching us a bit about the Chinese culture and food, to prepare us.

When we were in China, we had a great time. Firstly, we visited Aurora Middle School in Shanghai, and participated in some of

their lessons, like calligraphy, jewellery making and diabolo. We learnt to do their daily exercises, joined in with their eye exercises and made new friends. We also went to the Pearl Tower, which was amazing; we could see the whole of the city from the glass floor. Going to Zhou Zhuang, the water town, was very interesting, and we learnt a lot about traditional Chinese culture.

Going to visit the Chinese families was a fantastic experience – we found out what life was like for them, made great new friends, saw even more of Shanghai and were told about the city by people who had lived there all their lives.

The food was delicious and very different to what we eat in England. There was a lot on offer and we all tried almost everything. Plus, by the end of the week we were all experts with chopsticks! (But it took a lot of practice!)

We would like to say a massive thank you to the teachers who made this possible, and Jessi Yi, from China Challenge.

I would recommend this trip to anyone. It was an outstanding and very memorable experience.

**Imogen Harding, 8P2**



*Calligraphy lesson*



Over the Easter Break, 21 St Bart's students and three members of staff went on the China Challenge. This is the second time in two years that this trip has been available to Year 8 and this is the second time in two years that it has been a massive success.

The trip offered a wide variety of modern versus traditional and both were very enjoyable. The first few days were spent in the Aurora Modern Foreign Language School where times were mainly dominated by lessons in martial arts, calligraphy, basketball, eye exercises and the morning stretching exercises.

All were very good and loved by everyone.

All the students were very adventurous in their food and Matt even ate a duck's head! Miss Midgley strongly dominated the Karaoke night with some brilliant performances and everyone got involved and had a blast. The day with the families was a lot more enjoyable than expected and Jordan and I spent the afternoon playing against Chinese men at Air Hockey. (We Won.)

In the second half of the trip we visited places like Su Zhou, a famous scenic city nearby Shanghai, where we hill climbed and visited a silk factory. We also visited Zhou Zhuang, a really smelly but interesting fishing village. In the marketplace, Miss Midgley really showed off her bargaining talent and I think everyone got a fake pair of Beats, so, bonus!

All-in-all, the trip was a great experience for everyone involved and I really wish we could go back and do it all again. The students would really like to thank their parents, the teachers, Jessi, our tour guide and anyone else who made our experience unforgettable.

**Olly Smithson, 8P3**



## EVERS HOUSE NEWS

We start with an update on **7E2**'s sponsored silence – they have collected in the sponsorship money and raised over £450! That's an excellent achievement...congratulations to everyone involved.

Some exciting news for **Joe Hobbs** (10E1) – Joe has been selected for the Swindon Town FC Academy, and has recently played against teams representing Cardiff and Manchester United, where he scored Swindon's only goal! Well done Joe.

Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded **Good Work Prizes**:

### 7E1

Nina Emetulu  
Lucy Morris  
Elsa Oakes  
Anna Stearn

### 7E2

Miya Akeda-Morris  
Mikey Bhatt  
Emily Carr  
Thomas Cole  
Lisa Darling  
Tyler du Sart-Murray  
Ellie-Mae Hawkins  
Jordan Hobbs  
Isabel Lainsbury  
Ryan Lunn  
Oliver McDonald  
Louis Mortimer  
Lilia Norman  
Megan Ryder  
Emily Wells  
Ateliana Westerlund

### 7E3

Keira Atkins  
Thomas Banning  
Oliver Barnes  
George Conington  
Aimee Cussell  
Samuel Garland  
Ben McCarthy  
Chris Mitchell  
Charlie Nadin  
Ellen Saberton  
Brijana Stanton-Jones

### 8E2

Amber Layton  
Ben Salmon

### 9E1

Michael Van Der Zwaluw  
Finally, good luck to all Evers students who are taking upcoming public examinations!  
**Mr Rose, Ms Evans and Mrs Willcox**



## Photography Club Competition

### SUMMER(1) COMPETITION THEME

### “ PATTERNS “

**Deadline is 12 noon Wednesday  
15 May 2013**

**Entries by email to Mrs Gibbs :**  
[agibbs@stbarts.co.uk](mailto:agibbs@stbarts.co.uk)

One photo per person. Please keep entries no larger than 1.5 MB. You may use Photoshop to adjust brightness, contrast or colour of the image but NOT to add or remove parts of the image.

### ROUNDERS

The Sixth Form and Year 11 rounders teams played against St Gabriel's in a friendly fixture in preparation for their Area Rounders Tournaments that are coming up over the next few weeks. The Sixth Form team won 22-4 and Hannah Benson was awarded player of the match. The Year 11 team won 15-9 and Yvette Pinder was awarded player of the match.

### HOUSE DODGEBALL RESULTS

	C	D	E	P
<b>Y7A</b>	10	6	8	4
<b>Y7B</b>	4	10	6	8
<b>Y8</b>	4	8	6	10
<b>Y9A</b>	10	6	8	4
<b>Y9B</b>	8	4	10	6