

BBC ONE'S QUESTION TIME BROADCASTS FROM ST BART'S



The weekly BBC topical debate programme, Question Time chaired by David Dimbleby, was broadcast from St Bartholomew's School on Thursday 16 October 2014 on BBC One at 10.45pm.

Panel guests on the night were Jeremy Hunt MP Health Secretary Conservative, Angela Eagle MP Shadow Leader of the House of Commons, Labour, Ming Campbell MP former leader Liberal Democrats, Isabel Oakeshott author and commentator and Rev Giles Fraser parish priest and broadcaster.

Lively debates took place with key topics being immigration, NHS funding, General Election leadership debates and the controversy over Lord Freud's statements about disabled people's wages.

Several St Bart's politics students had successfully applied for audience tickets and Year 13 student Dan Cox said: "Taking part in Question Time was an incredible experience, especially as a politics student. Being able to participate in the debate and being so close to the action was really worthwhile."

During the set up for the programme the production team from Mentorn Media, who makes the programme for the BBC, provided some hands-on learning opportunities for some of the St Bart's Sixth Form media and politics students. The A Level politics students spent some time with David Dimbleby who hosted a mock debate with some students taking on the role of politicians, whilst the others posed some challenging questions.



Politics students taking part in the mock debate

Eleven Year 13 media studies students with ambitions to work in television were given the opportunity to sit in on rehearsals and took a behind the scenes tour of the production company's vision mixer truck. The director, floor manager and vision mixer were particularly friendly and welcoming explaining their work and giving an insight into the workings of the industry.

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Reece Broughton, a Year 13 Media Studies student said: “This experience was vastly enriching and was a great opportunity to learn about the production of live television from what consists of set up, the editing during the broadcast and the equipment used on set. I loved it!”



Media students taking part in a warm up session with floor manager Stan (above) and in the broadcasting van (below)



Politics students were also involved in the preparations for the debate acting as runners between the office and production team collecting questions from the audience. There were a number of familiar faces in the audience and this included headteacher Ms Julia Mortimore who said: “We were delighted St Bart’s was chosen as a venue for the programme. Our school hall offered the layout and seating requirements needed by the BBC and we created a ‘green room’ in one of our conference rooms. This has been a great opportunity for the school to be involved with a national event taking place in our community, whilst also providing our students with so many learning experiences.”

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YEAR 8 PARENTS’ EVENING ONLINE BOOKING SYSTEM

The Year 8 Parents’ Evening is on **Wednesday 5 November 2014** from 4.30pm to 7.00pm in the Curnock block.

The school has now introduced an intuitive and easy to use online appointment booking system for parents’ evenings. This considerably improves our previous system which relied on students making bookings with teachers. This online system is now being used for all parents’ evenings.

The system enables parents to choose their own appointments with teachers, for which parents will receive email confirmation.

Year 8 parents/carers will be sent information about booking appointments including log in details, together with a short guide on how to use the system, and bookings can be made from **Wednesday 22 October 2014 at 6.00pm** by visiting

<https://stbartholomews.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>.

For parents/carers of Year 8 students who do not have internet access, please contact your House office who will add appointments on your behalf.



DIARY DATES

- Tues 21 Oct House Music Competition, Hall at 7pm
- Wed 22 Oct House Music Competition, Hall at 7pm
- Thurs 23 Oct KS4 Awards Evening (Y12 students), Hall, 7.00pm
- Fri 24 Oct Staff Training Day
- Half Term Friday 24 October to Friday 31 October**
- Tues 4 Nov Y11 Parents’ Curriculum Information Evening, Hall, 7pm
- Wed 5 Nov Y8 Parents’ Evening, Curnock Block, 4.30pm – 7.00pm
- Mon 10 Nov Y12 Safe Drive Stay Alive, Hexagon, Reading, 12-3.30pm
- Tues 11 Nov Remembrance Day Service, 11am, Luker Hub
- Tues 25 Nov Sixth Form Open Evening 5.30-8.30pm

PUDSEY PARTY



In advance of BBC Children in Need day, St Bart's students were delighted when Pudsey made a surprise visit to last week's whole school assembly. Students were given more

details about the Pudsey Party being held at school on Friday 14 November, which will then be televised during the evening.



*Pudsey meeting
Ms Mortimore*

Students will be involved in fund raising activities during the day which are planned to feature in the evening programme and the following morning.

We want to raise lots of money. Students, parents, families, staff and the local community can all join in. See the poster on page 3 for more details.



THE GREAT BART'S BAKE OFF

If you want to join Martha for the Great Bart's Bake Off for BBC Children in Need during the morning of 14 November please send in your submission.

Parents, staff, Sixth Form and students in Years 7 to 11 have the chance to take part. Places are limited.

Send your reason, maximum 100 words, to Mrs Eastman by 5 November.

I want to work with Martha because

Remember to include your name, tutor group and/or contact phone number.



**St Bartholomew's
School**

**Christmas Gift and
Craft Fair**

**Sunday 16th November
11.15am to 4pm**

**Over 60 stalls – Wide selection of
home made crafts and gifts – All price
ranges, from stocking fillers to that
special gift**

Refreshments, Lunches, Teas, Mince Pies

**Admission £2.00
(concessions £1, under 16 free)
Buckingham Road, Newbury**

**stbartsgiftandcraft.wordpress.com
www.facebook.com/stbartspa.craftfair**





is coming to

St Bartholomew's School

and will be broadcasting LIVE

on

Friday 14 November 2014

What are you doing to raise money?

Do you know of a local organisation who would like to present their donation to Pudsey?

Students—talk to your tutors, House office, parents and friends. Talk to Mrs Sims.



Martha, the teenager from the latest Great British Bake Off will be joining us!

We need **colourful**, **visual**, **exciting** and **innovative** ideas that will work well on TV to raise LOTS of money!

Come and join the Pudsey Party!

HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION 2014

Tuesday 21 October
and
Wednesday 22 October

At 7.00pm in the Hall



Adjudicator: Nick Beach
Head of Academic Music, Trinity
College London

TICKETS ON SALE NOW
FROM THE
EXPRESSIVE ARTS OFFICE

Prices – Adults £3; Concessions £2
Family ticket (2 adults 1 child) £5

IChemE INSTITUTE OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERS ESSAY COMPETITION

The Institute of Chemical Engineers is running an essay competition for all students in Years 10 and 11. The prize is £100 of Amazon vouchers. The theme of the essay is 'Quenching our Thirst' and the deadline is Friday 16 January 2015.

Further information is available on the chemistry department notice board. If you have any questions please see Dr Alonzi in E016 or E013.

JAMIE OLIVER COOKING SKILLS

The Year 10 BTEC Jamie Oliver Cooking Skills students have been making delicious spicy apple chutney ready for Christmas. School staff kindly donated windfall apples and jam jars, so the recipe supported teaching on sustainability. The chutney will be stored until December so that the flavours have a chance to mature. It will then be gift wrapped in time for the students to take home for a

celebratory opening to serve alongside Boxing Day cold cuts!

The students made sufficient chutney for

two jars each, with the surplus dozen jars being given to the 'Peggy in Peckham' appeal to provide Christmas box treats for pensioners attending Peggy's lunch club in London. We trust they will enjoy it.

Thank you to the staff who supported us with the apples and jars for this project.

Mrs Eastman and Mrs Bell



SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING Tuesday 25 November 2014 5.30pm - 8.30pm



St Bart's is a successful comprehensive school offering exceptional opportunities.

All St Bart's Year 11 students, and prospective students from other schools, are invited to our Open Evening.

Come and find out about our wide range of courses, extra curricular activities and vibrant Sixth Form life.

A presentation by the Head of Sixth Form is at 5.30pm followed by a series of subject talks

Email: sixthform@stbarts.co.uk
www.stbarts.co.uk

DAVIS DIARY

We have almost reached the end of the first half of autumn term and what a busy term it has been. We wish to say a huge thank you to all the students, staff and parents who supported our House Evening on 10 October. It was a great success and we raised over £1,000 for our House charity, Prostate Cancer. Should you wish to order a copy of the DVD, they are on sale at £12 each. Order forms are available from the House office. Please can we have your orders by Thursday 23 October.



Congratulations to Amber Cracknell 9D2, who has been awarded her black belt in Marshall Arts and to Archie Dickens 8D2, has achieved his Bronze award.

Please do come along and support our musicians at House Music on Tuesday and Wednesday 21 and 22 October in the hall at 7.00pm. Our instrumentalists will be playing Toto's "Africa" and our Choir will be performing "I'm gonna be", by the Proclaimers.

May you all have a most enjoyable half term break.

Mrs Hodgkin Miss Thorne and Mrs Lee

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME – YEAR 9

Please note that after half term, Year 9 students will be covering topics relating to sex education. This will include contraception, sexually transmitted diseases, 'sexting' and pregnancy.

If anyone would like further information regarding these topics please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs M Sims, Deputy Headteacher

SPORTS SHELTER

The PE department thanks the Moxham and Tindall families for their kind gift of a sports shelter to the department and the lacrosse girls. The shelter was used for the first time at the Senior West Lacrosse Tournament and was very useful.



ASTRONOMY

GCSE

Nick Howes
Visit



On Monday 1 December, renowned Astro-Photographer Nick Howes will be coming to speak to the Astronomy GCSE students from Park House and St Bart's schools

We would like to extend an invitation to this talk to any students or parents from the two schools who might be interested in studying GCSE Astronomy in the future, and also to any past students and members of the Newbury Astronomical Society who may be interested.

Come along and see some spectacular pictures of the heavens!

This event is free, but if you're not part of the current GCSE class please register with Maureen Sims: msims@stbarts.co.uk



YEAR 12

Safe Drive, Stay Alive



Arrangements have been made for all of Year 12 to participate in West Berkshire's *Safe Drive Stay Alive* campaign at the Hexagon Theatre in Reading on Tuesday 10 November during the school day.

This is a well established programme produced in partnership with Thames Valley Police, local councils and Thames Valley's emergency services. More information is on the website www.safedrive.org

Letters have been emailed home and there are also paper copies in the Sixth Form area.

Year 12 students must return their off site visit form to the Sixth Form office by Monday 3 November.

BOYS' PE

Rugby v Lord William's

On Saturday 11 October Year 8 played away to Lord William's School. At the beginning St Bart's boys were in total control, stringing passes together and creating nice pieces of play. This eventually led to tries from Jake Ford, Josh Douglas (two) and Will Joseph. Harry Leonard converted all but one of his conversions. In the second half Lord William's scored a try. St Bart's regained control with two more tries from Josh Douglas, and more from Alastair Swann and Toby Gale with Harry Leonard converting all of his conversions. The end result was St Bart's 54, Lord William's 7. Man of the match went to Jake Ford playing his first game of rugby.

Jake Ford 8D2

Year 9 Rugby Team Top the Bill

St Bart's 43 Lord William's 0

On Saturday 11 October Year 9 hosted Lord Williams School at Enborne Road. The weather and pitch conditions were excellent, as was St Bart's performance. Year 9 were back to a full strength side, and they were able to put into place the game plan that they have been working on in training – to great effect. The forwards worked well together, rucking effectively and playing several phases before the ball was moved out to the backs. At half time St Bart's were several tries for the good. In the second half all of the eight substitutes were used, and the performance was enhanced rather than weakened. The game was stopped slightly early due to an injury to a Lord William's player, but we are glad to say that he made a quick recovery - had it not been stopped then St Bart's may well have scored a half century. The boys are looking forward to the floodlit league and county cup competitions, and more Saturday fixtures after half term.

Team – Harry Seymour, Isaac Fernandes, Josh Hamnet, Jude Blundy, Elias Prince, Michael Emmerson, Oliver Barnes, Oliver Davey, Ben McCarthy, Nathan Moore-Mason, Henry Chandler, Archie Awford, Theo Thomas, Lewis Hearn, Dan Rees, Tom Cole, Joe Mitchell, Joe Power, Kieren Portlock, Mikey Bhatt, Alex Colston, Oscar Hesketh Field.

GIRLS' PE

Y7 Netball League

Results and players of the match v John O'Gaunt

St Bart's A JOG A won 5-4

Lola Calaghan

B v JOG B St Bart's won 2-1

Freya Owens

A v JOG B St Bart's won 19-1

Maya Landhed

B v JOG A JOG won 8-2

Casey Willoughby

Netball Report

On Tuesday 14 October St Bart's netball A team played against John O' Gaunt A netball team, John O' Gaunt were an extremely good team as they were very fast and dodged a lot, in the first quarter St Bart's netball A team were winning 1-0 Unfortunately that changed as John O' Gaunt really made a difference in their pace. The final score was 5-4 to John O'Gaunt. The player of the match was Lola Callaghan.

Next St Bart's netball A played against John O' Gaunt B netball team, John O' Gaunt B team were good but St Bart's had a lot more control and possession of the ball making the final score 19-1 to St Bart's. The player of the match was Maya Landhed.

Match Report by Lola Callaghan.

Lacrosse

The senior 1st and 2nd teams played in the U19 Senior West Lacrosse Rally at St Swithun's School.

In the morning the 1st team won one game and lost three games. This meant they played in the 1st division for their afternoon matches. In the afternoon they lost two games, drew one game and won one game. They came 4th in the division and overall were 9th out of 15 schools.

In the morning the 2nd team lost two games and won one game finishing 4th in their group on goal difference. They played in the 2nd division in the afternoon and won all three of their games finishing as division 2 winners. They were 10th overall from 13 schools.

Girls' Football

Congratulations to Lauren Bell and Emily McDonagh who, following one trial, have been selected from a large number of girls from other schools to attend further girls' football county trials. We wish them luck.

Also Lauren Bell has been asked to attend a south west regional trial for girls' football at Chippenham.

BBC ONE'S QUESTION TIME AT ST BART'S PICTURE GALLERY

