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WORLD CHALLENGE TRIP TO MOROCCO

A group of Year 9 students took part in the World Challenge trip to Morocco. Some of the students have written about their adventure.



Going to Morocco was an amazing experience and an eye opener to a whole new world and culture. Hiking through the mountains was stunning, with some amazing views. We also got to meet some of the people who lived in the Berber villages. One of the most memorable things was playing football with the locals with the backdrop of the mountains, the peaks in the clouds. I really enjoyed going to the souks in Marrakech, it was such a different atmosphere and haggling was really fun. I would definitely recommend the trip to anyone thinking of going.

Harriet Atherton 9C1



Doing World Challenge was such a great experience and I am really glad I did it. It was really interesting to see how other



cultures lived and worked. Going to the souks was my favourite part because you started to really understand the way in which tourism affects the way people live there. I had a great time in Morocco and I would now love to travel the world.

Sofia Pivaral Booth 9P1



I thought that going to Morocco was a great experience as it was really amazing and a great challenge. The hiking was really fun and the views were amazing. Our group worked really well and we had a great time, even when some people in the group were struggling or weren't feeling too well. Spending time in Marrakech was good as we got to see the culture as well as the landscapes. Our leaders were also amazing. It was by far the best trip I have been on and the one that was the most challenging but enjoyable and exciting.

Mia Bhandari 9P1

















SCHOOL OFFICERS' TRAINING WEEKEND

The newly appointed School Officers in Year 12 set off for their training weekend on 5 and 6 June. Head Girl, Isla Harrison reports on the event.

The School Officers had a great training weekend at St Cassian's in Kintbury. The 20 of us were split into four teams and set the task of making our own way to the campsite, as well as buying and cooking a meal for ourselves. This took some creativity and ingenuity when cooking only on a BBQ and given a budget of only £30 for a three course meal for five students, plus teachers! The BBQ was expertly navigated by Mrs Lane, without whom we would definitely have gone hungry. Everyone cooked some amazing meals, with the winning team making fajitas and Eton mess (and Mr Robbins spending a significant amount of his time at their table).

That evening, our teams were set the task of how we could improve the Sixth Form area to give it more identity — this activity definitely showed the group's creativity



with ideas to give it more colour and a further divide between the chill out and work spaces. After a cold and loud night sleeping in tents, Mr King set up the challenge of completing a trail around Kintbury with questions to answer on our route. We were divided up into two groups and then split further to answer smaller groups of the questions more effectively. This was a great chance to get to know Kintbury better and highlight people's navigation skill. Admittedly my group got quite lost and although we answered all of our questions correctly, we spent a lot of time roaming sheep fields to find them.

The weather was lovely for the whole time, making the weekend a great success. I would like to thank Mr Robbins and Mrs Lane for putting up with us for 24 hours and I am looking forward to working with everyone over the coming year.



The School Officers 2015-2016

The School Officers 2015-2010				
Head Girl	Isla Harrison			
Head Boy	Lucas Jones			
Deputy Head Girl	Becky Gill			
Deputy Head Boy	Oscar Forsey			
Curnock House Captains	James Murrell			
	Harriet Penna			
Deputies	Eileen Graham			
	Dan Green			
Davis House Captains	Katie Clements			
	Jake Mawson			
Deputies	Tom Olive			
	Sophie Smith			
Evers House Captains	Ellie Grady			
	Jordan Haynes			
Deputies	Georgina Bradford			
	Jasmine Day-			
	Langley			
Patterson House	Harry Keeves			
Captains	Lottie Phillips			
Deputies	Evie Ballard			
	Frankie Lloyd			



BRILLIANT CLUB GRADUATION May 2015

A number of our Year 9 and 10s have been working as members of the Brilliant Club over the last couple of weeks, where they have been completing humanities projects with guidance from PhD researchers. This involved the working alongside world-class students university researchers, attending seminars and producing an extended written assessment. We congratulate the following students who Ben Loosen. graduated: Shiana Munar. Rebecca Shaw, Angel Stone, Jasmine Corrie (graduated with distinction), Emily Carr (graduated with distinction), Sophie Evans, Ryan Mitchell, Quinlan Yeung, Molly Herne, Michael Seath and Imogen Harding.



Emily Carr, 9E2 commented on what a positive experience taking part in Brilliant Club had been:

"I have really enjoyed all of my experiences with the Brilliant Club, having learnt a lot of new things. Earlier this year we attended a launch trip, where we visited Royal Holloway University. During the day we were shown around the campus and took part in talks about university as well as attending our first small group tutorial with highly skilled PhD students. We received six tutorials and learned about museums and how social media benefits them. This led to us writing a 2000 word essay on the topic that was marked like an A Level piece of work. Part of what I enjoyed was that this marking was done irrespective of age; everyone achieved higher than his or her key stage. We had been taught huge amounts of content and it was a very interesting topic so summarising all that I had learnt was difficult. However I overcame this and felt proud to receive my certificate at graduation, feeling grateful to have had this brilliant opportunity!"



Tickets on sale outside the expressive arts office during morning break and at activity time between 1pm and 1.30pm.

ARTWORK OF THE MONTH

As part of the animals project Year 9 students were asked to complete an independent study task that required them to create an animal from recyclable materials. Toby Brown 9E3 designed this excellent wasp from wire and metal.





LATIN FOR BEGINNERS

To parents of current Year 8 students

Beginners Latin for Year 9

students will start in September. Lessons will take place for one hour a week after school (day to be confirmed). Letters have been distributed to Year 8 students via tutors and are also available from Ms Coin in the English office. If your child is interested then please return the slip at the bottom of the letter as soon as possible. If you would like to know more in the meantime please contact Ms Coin at school by phone or email:ecoin@stbarts.co.uk



CHINESE LESSONS

I am now recruiting students for the extra curricular Chinese lessons which take

place once a week on a Thursday after school. The language taught is Mandarin Chinese, the official language of mainland China, and we teach all four skills of listening, reading, speaking and writing.

In addition, we aim to run a programme of cultural enrichment activities. In the past, students have participated in a national Chinese speaking competition, attended a Chinese Opera workshop in school, celebrated Chinese New Year, seen Chinese films, learnt to play Mah Jong, eaten at a local Chinese restaurant and this year several members of the classes are participating in our exchange with Qingdao no 2 School in Shandong Province.

Lessons are open to all students in all year groups. Anyone who would like further information should collect a letter from me in the MFL office.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Outgrown it?

The Parents' Association needs to increase their stock of second-hand uniform. Please leave unwanted uniform at the reception desk in a bag clearly marked for the second-hand uniform shop.

All donations welcome

The second-hand uniform shop is just inside the students' entrance.

Open on Fridays from 3.15pm – 4.00pm.

Uniform, PE kit, boots, bags and belts

Prices from 50p - £10



DIARY DATES

Wed 17 June Curnock Y6 Welcome Evening

Hall, 6pm

Thurs 18 June Patterson Y6 Welcome Evening

Hall, 6pm

Fri 19 June Davis House Charity Disco,

7pm

Tues 23 June Davis Y6 Welcome Evening,

Hall, 6pm

Thur 25 June Evers Y6 Welcome Evening,

Hall, 6pm

Fri 26 June PA Summer Festival 6-8.30pm

Wed 1 July Sixth Form Induction Day

Mon 6 July Y6 Induction Day

St Bart's School



Summer Festival

Friday 26 June 6.00pm - 8.30pm

Join us for an evening of entertainment

- Be 'wowed' by an Art Exhibition of GCSE and A Level Art
- Be enthralled by student bands and other musical entertainment
- Feed your appetite and quench your thirst at the barbecue and Pimm's/beer tent
- Enjoy the usual fete stalls and 'have a go' games such as plants, books, tombolas, skittles and penalty shootouts

All proceeds go to the Parents' Association whose fundraising efforts hugely benefit the school









For more information go to www.stbartspa.net

St Bartholomew's School, Andover Road, Newbury, RG14 6JP



CAN YOU HELP? Once a year for a couple of hours at the PA fund raiser discos

The Parents' Association organises six discos per year for Years 7 and 8 and one disco around September for Years 8 and 9.

The discos provide two clear benefits:

- They are an important fundraising event for the PA, with all the money raised going straight back to the school.
- They provide a supervised environment for the students to meet and socialise, dance, chat and have fun.

The discos are usually on a Friday. They start at 7pm and end at 9pm.

The entry fee is £3 and there are some refreshments available, organised by Sixth Form students, in the form of drinks, crisps and sweets.

This event is supervised by a member of the Leadership Team, a group of teachers from one of the faculties and eight parent volunteers.

We usually have a couple of parents at the door taking the money and counting the students. The rest of the volunteers are spread out between the hall, the atrium and the hub.

The work involves generally keeping an eye on things, making sure there's no trouble in the toilets, that sweet wrappers and drink cans get disposed of appropriately and making sure everything runs smoothly. The teachers are always on hand to help out with any issues. Once the students have paid and joined the disco, they are not allowed to leave the school unless a parent is able to collect them at the door.

There are a handful of regular volunteers who help at most discos, however, any parent can help at one or more discos and you do not have to have children in Year 7 or 8.

It doesn't have to be a yearly commitment, the more volunteers in the pool, the easier it is to spread out the load.

The only condition for the disco to go ahead once the DJ has been booked, is that we have our quota of volunteers.

Unfortunately, a few of the regular helpers are unavailable for the **final disco** this year, on **Friday 3 July**.

It would be a shame to have to cancel the last disco, so we are appealing directly to you: if you're able to spare a couple of hours that night, do let us know.

Also, please let us know if you would like your name to be added to our mailing list for next year's discos. There's no commitment involved and we can remove your name from the list at any time.

If you work for Vodafone and can help at one or more discos, do let us know as we can apply for match funding.

Please contact Annick at stbartspa.disco@gmail.com



HOUSE TOMBOLAS AT SUMMER FESTIVAL

Each House will be holding a tombola at this year's PA Summer Festival on 26 June. We would be

grateful for any donations of tins, bottles, sweets and unopened toiletries such as bubble bath, hand cream and soap.

Please send items into school with your child taking them either to their House office or leave at reception.

All proceeds go towards the Parents' Association which funds many projects around the school.

Thank you for your support.

CALENDAR AMENDMENTS

Please note the following additions to the calendar:

Monday 22 June

Y10 Business BTEC Unit 2 Finance Exam resit, 9am

Thursday 2 July

Some of Y10 to Oxford University Open Day

Please note the following amendment to the calendar:

Monday 13 July Y10 Triple Science ISA Day Will now take place on Thursday 9 July

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EVERS NEWS

A busy few weeks in Evers and there are all sorts of exciting news to celebrate. As we near the end of the exam season we

would like to say a big well done to all our students who have worked hard revising and sitting the exams. We wish you all the best with your results and look forward to joining Year 11 and Year 13 celebrate at their end of year Prom evenings.

We are happy to announce that we have made our final decision on the mentors for this year. Well done to the following:

8E1 – Ellen Grace, Jazz Harbour, Imogen Scarr, Anna van der Zwaluw, Ben Potter, Ethan Gallagher, Toby Gale, Harry Greenwood.

8E2 – Joshua Douglas, Izzy Sutton, David Brind, James Wilkinson, Seth Dawson, Elisa Gore, Molly Tucker.

We also celebrate our House awards as we welcome some new bronze recipients:

9E1 – Nicholas Tucker

7E2 – George White, James Atkins, Romany Lindsay.

Our latest silver award recipients are:

9E1 – Megan Bailey, Beth Mitchell

Finally, congratulations to Caitlin Wilton on receiving the gold award.



The House Heads, Miss Midgley and Mr Edens, would like to say how wonderful it was to take some of the Evers students to Thorpe Park on 6 June. Everyone was very well-behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the day.

LIVING FOR SPORT ATHLETE MENTOR – TOBY GARBETT

As a valued school involved in the Living for Sport scheme we were selected to receive a third athlete mentor visit as a further thank you for our support of the programme. It was a pleasure to welcome back Toby Garbett, Olympian, twice World Champion rower and GB triathlete and it was a great opportunity to increase the mentors' engagement with some new students and to widen the impact of the programme.



Toby was able to work closely with three different groups, which included a Year 8 boys' group, Year 10 GCSE group and Year 10 girls' group. He had planned interesting and challenging sessions which included team building activities appropriate for each of the groups. The students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to try out new challenges with an Olympic athlete.

A quote that Toby left which each group was: "A constant cycle of improvements and adapting enables you to break through your physical limits and achieve your goals."



ROUNDERS

On Wednesday 3 June the Year 7 rounders team played against The Clere. At the half way point St Bart's had a solid score of 5 to Clere's 3 ½, but in the second innings did a terrific job and pulled away with some excellent batting and fielding. The final score was St Bart's 20 ½ and Clere 5 ½. Player of the match to best fielder Maddie Barnes and best batter Daisy Dijksman.

ATHLETICS

Regional Finals Schools Cup Monday 8 June, Exeter

Following the first round of the Schools Cup Athletics competition where the junior girls came 1st and the inter girls came 3rd, both teams qualified to go through to the regional finals. The girls competed hard in their events and there were some superb scores (below). Well done to all the athletes and thank you for your support and hard work so far this season.

Junior Girls

4:303pts: St Bartholomew's School, Berkshire

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100m	14.5s = 14pts 15.2s = 11pts	Mia Eldridge Ottilie Sanderson			
200m	34.5s = 6pts 31.5s = 13pts	Maddie Barnes Maddy Mitton			
800m	2m43.2s = 20pts 2m51.3s = 17pts	Emma James Grace Twyford			
1500m	6m00.8s = 15pts 5m32.2s = 20pts	Sophie Stancombe Izzy Hole			
Hurdles	16.7s = 8pts $18.4s = 3pts$	Charlotte Dobson Lucy West			
Relay	61.7s = 14pts $= 0pts$				
High Jump	1.26m = 16pts 1.17m = 13pts	Charlotte Dobson Izzy Hole			
Long Jump	3.30m = 8pts 3.81m = 13pts	Emma James Ottilie Sanderson			
Shot	9.88m = 30pts 6.08m = 12pts	Mia Eldridge Freya Owen			
Discus	22.03m = 22pts 20.87m = 21pts	Maddy Barnes Maddy Mitton			

Inter Girls

7: 274pts: St Bartholomew's School, Berkshire

7: 2/4pts: St Bartholomew's School, Berkshire					
100m	17.1s = 0pts 14.4s = 12pts	Georgina Sanderson Hannah Tilly			
200m	29.2s = 16pts 31.4s = 9pts	Georgia Featherstone Catherine Berrospi			
300m	50.1s = 13pts 46.7s = 19pts	Lauren Bell Annabel Mangan			
800m	2m45.3s = 15pts 2m51.4s = 12pts	Issi Sanderson Harriet Atherton			
1500m	5m16.8s = 20pts 5m24.9s = 18pts	Suzie Drake Mollie Dummett			
Relay	59.0s = 15pts $= 0pts$				
High Jump	1.35m = 16pts 1.32m = 15pts	Suzie Drake Issi Lainsbury			
Long Jump	4.12m = 14pts 3.99m = 13pts	Georgia Featherstone Issi Sanderson			
Triple Jump	8.67m = 13pts $= 0pts$	Freya Eva :			
Shot	7.23m = 14pts 6.69m = 11pts	Georgina Sanderson Mollie Dummett			
Discus	21.13m = 17pts 17.31m = 12pts	Lauren Bell Annabel Mangan			
Javelin	= 0pts $nr = 0pts$: Catherine Berrospi			
Mrs Leach					

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Junior Boys

The boys who represented the school came 2nd out of eight schools in the regional B final. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement.

Junior Boys					
2:336pt	2:336pts: St Bartholomew's School, Berkshire				
100m	13.1s = 19pts 14.4s = 10pts	Josh Douglas William Joseph			
200m	29.1s = 14pts 28.3s = 16pts				
300m	44.6s = 18pts 45.0s = 17pts				
800m	2m32.1s = 16pts 2m42.1s 13pts =				
1500m	5m51.3s = 7pts 5m41.9s 8pts =				
Hurdles	15.4s = 12pts 17.9s = 2pts	Rhys Ainsworth Callum Congerton			
Relay	64.5s = 4pts = 0pts				
High Jump	1.20m = 10pts 1.11m = 7pts	Daniel Stevenson Kris Reddin			
Long Jump	4.54m = 17pts 4.51m = 17pts	Jake Ford			
Triple Jump	11.79m = 27pts 9.18m = 14pts	Josh Douglas Rhys Ainsworth			
Shot	$ \begin{array}{r} 10.09m \\ = 19pts \\ 8.06m = \end{array} $	Zach Montgomery William Joseph			
Discus	19.61m = 14pts 24.40m 18pts =				
Javelin	26.16m = 19pts 12.89m 5pts =	Callum Congerton William Fyall			

Year 7 Area Athletics Results

The St Bart's PE department organised the West Berkshire Area Athletics event at Palmer Park. The girls' team came 2nd out of 12 schools and the boys were 5th out of 11 schools.





The following athletes came 1st or 2nd in their event and have qualified for the county competition on 2 July.

Anya Knyazev – discus, Maddie Barnes – discus, Daisy Dijksman – discus, Freya Owen – 150m, Charlotte Dobson – high jump.

A special mention goes to Maddie Barnes who threw 26m20 which is more than two metres further than the school record.

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HOUSE ROUNDERS AND SOFTBALL 2015

Softball	Yr 7	Matches abandoned due to the weather			
	Yr 8	6	10	8	4
	Yr 9	8	6	10	4
	Yr 10	6	10	8	4
To	Total 20		26	26	12
Rounder	Yr 7 A	Matches abandoned due to the weather			
S	Yr 7B	Matches abandoned due to the weather			
	Yr 8A	4	8	6	10
	Yr 8 B	6	10	8	4
	Yr 9 A	4	8	10	6
	Yr 9 B	6	8	4	10
	Yr 10 A	6	4	10	8
	Yr 10 B	6	8	4	10
To	otal	32	46	42	48