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SIXTH FORM AT ST BART'S Applications Now Open

Year 11 – applications are now open for a place in the Sixth Form in September 2017. There are loads of subjects to choose from, including Law which is new for next year. Students also benefit from a wide range of extra-curricular activities, social occasions, charity events, quiet independent study areas and a place to relax at break time in the common room.

St Bart's offers plenty of opportunities to take on more responsibility.

Look on the Sixth Form page of the website www.stbarts.co.uk for details about our courses and an application form. Or pick up a form from the Sixth Form Office, W131.



DIARY DATES

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| Sun 27 Nov | School Production Technical Rehearsal, 10am-4pm |
| Mon 28 Nov | School Production Dress Rehearsal, all day |
| Tues 29 Nov | Peter Pan, 7pm |
| Wed 30 Nov | Peter Pan, 7pm |
| Thurs 1 Dec | Peter Pan, 7pm |
| Mon 5 Dec | Y11 Practice Exams Begin |
| Tues 6 Dec | Y13 Subject Parents' Evening 4.30-7.00pm, Curnock Block |



FASHION HISTORIAN VISIT TO TEXTILES DEPARTMENT

The textiles department was lucky enough to have a talk from Fashion Historian and St Bart's parent Dr Alison Toplis. She was kind enough to come and present an overview of Fashion History to Year 12 and Year 10 textile students, where she covered a huge time span, beginning in the 1400s and finishing in 1920.



This was a wonderful experience for the students to hear her professional knowledge and expertise. She discussed with the students' key historical points in fashion, such as the Elizabethan and Victorian eras. Also, she showed the learners how fashion dress and trends are apparent throughout the ages and how these can be mapped through examples of court dress and the study of fine art.

Dr Toplis brought in first hand 20th century pieces for the students to handle and study for their construction detailing. As well as this she brought historic dress auction catalogues, examples of fashion plates and past historical copies of magazines for our students to study.



It was also fascinating to hear about her studies and how she has used her studies of Dress History to shape her career. It was a truly fascinating talk.

BIOLOGY TRIP TO SEE ELECTRON MICROSCOPES

A group of Sixth Form students recently visited Reading University to see their electron microscopes and have a look around the university. Met by two friendly student ambassadors the students enjoyed a short presentation about life at Reading University. It was refreshing to hear a different perspective on university life. This was followed by a 45 minute campus tour.

Unfortunately the SEM microscopes were broken, but luckily the TEM microscope was working. The students saw how the specimens were prepared, which involved seeing a glowing purple gold plasma.



Seeing the different labs in the department gave an insight into specialised university research. This was an interesting and beneficial trip and thank you to the biology department for making the arrangements.

YEAR 8 LIBRARY HELPERS

There are eight vacancies for students from Year 8 who can help the librarians Monday to Thursday at Activity Time.



- You must be able to help on the same day on a regular basis once a week.
- You will be issuing books, preparing books for loan and generally helping with all the many other jobs necessary in a library – some more interesting than others!
- Priority will be given to reliable students who regularly use the library.
- Ask the librarians for an application form.

The closing date for applications is Friday 26 November.



A DAY OF PHYSICS

A Level physics students enjoyed a day of insightful and engaging talks when they went to the Birmingham Repertory Theatre for a series of presentations.

Amongst the speakers was Professor Jim Al-Khalili, who you may recognise for presenting scientific programmes on BBC and Channel 4. Other speakers included Dr Helen Czerski, Dr Tom Whyntie, Professor Lucie Green, Dr Michael Brooks, Dr Andrew Pontzen and Lynn Pharaoh.

Professor Al-Khalili's talk entitled 'Written in the Stars - How to Live Happily in a Deterministic Universe' discussed whether we live in a predetermined world and whether we actually have free will or just have the illusion of free will.

Many topics were touched on during the day, with insights into dark energy and matter, gravity and oceanography. It's safe to say we were all given a lot to think about at the end of the day! A particularly useful part of the day were the examiner talks, held by Lynn Pharaoh, as she gave us tips about how to excel at A Level Physics by showing us revision techniques and giving advice on how to organise our notes.

A big thank you goes out to everyone who helped to organise this trip and to Dr Costambeys and Mr Seib who came with us.

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DAVIS DIARY

**Fundraising Events Boost
Donations for Alopecia UK**

Well done to students of 10D1, 10D2 and 10D3 for raising £94 at the Davis Halloween Fayre for Year 7 students. The fayre included, guess how many sweets in the pumpkin, cakes, a balloon game, marshmallows and a butter beer. A huge thank you to Matthew Smith and Laurie Gale in 12D2 who raised £175 organising an external coffee morning.

NEWBURY CONCERT



St Bart's Sixth Form students took part in a spectacular and well attended event at St Nicolas Church in concert with Newbury Symphony Orchestra. To mark the 400th anniversary of the Bard's death, the concert had a distinctly Shakespearian theme, featuring the incidental music Felix Mendelssohn wrote for

A Midsummer Night's Dream. Using a script put together by professional actress (and Old Newburian) Beth Parks, who also narrated the evening, four St Bart's students took on the roles of Oberon (Thomas Valentine), Fairy (Bethany Edwards), Titania (Annie Jackson) and Puck (Jack McIndoe).

The Chorus of Elves was provided by members of the school's Senior Choir in fine voice in both of their featured numbers, perfectly capturing the magical and mischievous mood of the text. A beautifully performed horn solo by former student Rachael O'Brien was the highlight of the Nocturne, which proceeded the rousing and familiar Wedding March, before Puck's final lines concluded the play.

The concert opened with Newbury Symphony Orchestra (whose members include a number of former and current St Bart's students) performing Beethoven's dramatic overture to the play Coriolanus, and concluded with Brahms's mighty 1st Symphony in C minor. Marshalling the singers, actors, speakers and large orchestra was Jonathan Williams, Director of College Music at St Hilda's Oxford, and regular conductor of the Newbury Symphony Orchestra. Members of the public were highly complimentary about the quality of the acting and singing.

St Bart's musicians will be back in action at St Nicolas Church next month for the annual (and spectacular) Carol Service on the 13 December.

VOLLEYBALL

Several students attend the Satellite Volleyball Club after school on Mondays with a Newbury volleyball coach as well as taking part in the Friday Activity Time club with Mr Harmer.

A team of volleyball players entered the Berkshire Volleyball Association Junior League tournament where they played three matches. The results reflect the excellent performance of these students.



St Bart's beat South Bucks A team 25-18, South Bucks B team 25-13 and Newbury 25-9 which meant they won the tournament. This is a fantastic achievement, particularly as some of the players have only recently joined the volleyball club.



Gabriel Martinez was awarded the most valued St Bart's player of the tournament.

St Bart's team – Alistair Swain, Mia Kriel, Sasha Howgate, George Hearn, Tom Faretra, Sam Nadin, Gabriel Martinez.

Also involved from St Bart's and representing the Newbury team were Kacper and Igor Was.

VIVO NEWS



Letters will be sent out this week via students to parents/carers of Year 7.

These will detail the parental logins for the Vivo Reward Scheme.

Parents of Years 8 and 9 should already have this information from previous years.

If you have any questions regarding the logins please contact Catherine Graham, Vivo Administrator at cgraham@stbarts.co.uk



HOUSE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The House Christmas Lunch will be held on Wednesday 14 December. This is a ticket only event and a limited number of these are available at £4 each. Lunch will be served at 12.30pm and there will be no other provision of hot food during Activity Time that day. Availability of food at break time remains unchanged.

Menu:

Cranberry and Sage Stuffed Turkey Breast wrapped in Bacon with Gravy

Pig in Blanket

Crispy Roast Potatoes

Carrots

Peas

Christmas Dessert

Vegetarian Menu:

Vegetable and Stilton Crumble

Crispy Roast Potatoes

Carrots

Peas

Christmas Dessert

Crackers, table decorations and a drink will also be provided.

Tickets are on sale now until Friday 2 December from either the Facilities Office W030 at Activity Time or the kitchen before school.

Please note that payment will be taken from lunch cards.

Mrs T Smart, Facilities Manager

GIRLS' PE

Lacrosse v St George's Ascot (away)

Results and players of the match

1st won 9-1 Laura Kirk, Hannie Makant

Y10 won 11-4 Alice Barr

Y9 won 11-3 Daisy Dijksman

Y8 won 8-7 Rosie Makant, Luci Robertson

Y7 won 9-2 Charlotte Swanson

Senior Lacrosse v St Swithun's

1st lost 11-1 Katherine Wadge-Berrospi

2nd lost 7-0 Jess Allum, Amber Layton

Year 9 Lacrosse v St George's

On Saturday 12 November all the year group lacrosse teams played fantastically well against St George's. The Year 9 girls played a very convincing match and it was one of their best performances.

They began the game with an amazing first goal giving them a boost of confidence to press on to play their best and to win. They passed on target throughout the match knowing where they wanted the ball to go, but even though not all the balls went to their preferred place, either the ball was intercepted or it went too high or too low. The girls fought for the ball both when it was on the ground and in the air.

The first half ended with a great lead and the girls discussed how they needed to improve and decided to use their body as well as their stick to drive the players wide and away from goal. They did just that and due to this excellent play the scored ended 11-3 to St Bart's with player of the match awarded to Daisy Dijksman.

Picture of Year 8 Lacrosse v St George's



Year 7 Lacrosse v St George's

On 12 November, a very wet and cold Saturday morning saw our Year 7 lacrosse team play a match for the very first time against St George's in Ascot.

With myself and Georgia Humphreys captaining we got off to a very quick and successful start with Annabel Chandler scoring the first goal of the match in the first few minutes of the game. This was followed by four more goals by Emily Tucker, Gemma Moon, Charlotte Swanson and Georgia Humphreys.

St George's then came back with fight and scored a goal at the end of the first half. St Bart's had a convincing lead at half time and were confident approaching the second half.

St George's were harder to break down in the second half applying lot of pressure on the St Bart's attack. However, we managed four more goals by Gemma Moore, Annabel Chandler and Isobel Smithson with some excellent saves from our goalie Izzy Duly.



We were very pleased with the final score of 9-2 to St Bart's and can't wait until our next match.

Player of the match Charlotte Swanson.

Emily Tucker 7E2

Netball v Park House

League Matches

Y8 won 24-9 Bianca Vicaria, Maddy Ettridge

Y9 won 12-4 Jess Harrison

Y7 Netball v Trinity

League Match

Y7 won 12-5 Polly Hassell-Collins

Y9 Netball v Theale Green

The girls played well throughout the game but at the end of the first half they knew they had areas to work on. The team upped their game and finished with a very good win. Players of the match were Daisy Dijksman and Melissa Congerton.

Y9 Netball v Park House

On 10 November the team played away at Park House in a league match. They remembered the areas they needed to improve and also recalled the strengths of the opposition. They played extremely well to win 12-4 and player of the match awarded to Jess Harrison.

ATTENDANCE HOTLINE

Remember to ring the attendance hotline if your child is absent from school. This is for all school years, including Sixth Form.

01635 576372

Leave a message with:-

Your child's name
Tutor Group
Reason for Absence