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IN HARMONY WITH VOCES8

The Newbury Spring Festival is in full swing and brings world class music and arts to our area. The Festival also organises various educational events and St Bart's was in for a special treat when Voces8 visited the school to run an afternoon's workshop with members of our junior and senior choirs.

Voces8 is an extremely talented and versatile singing ensemble which tours the world and is heard regularly on radio and TV.

So it was with great excitement that 40 students met the group in the Hall for an inspirational singing session which concluded with Voces8 giving a short performance.



Students from the Senior Choir with Voces8

Commenting on the workshop Sixth Form students said:

'It was a magical experience! One of the most interesting things I have ever been a part of.'

'It's an experience that I probably would never have had. I loved every second. It was great meeting everyone in the group and to learn more skills. I will definitely see them in concert in the future. This was an amazing experience.'

'To be surrounded by the sea of harmonies and percussion was wonderful and one I will treasure for a lifetime. Thank you.'

CARE 4 CALAIS



Fundraising has continued with Sixth Form students supporting the refugees in Calais via Care 4 Calais. Essential food items have been purchased and also donations of toiletries sent on to the depot ready to be distributed among the camps.



DIARY DATES

- Mon 15 May GCSE/AS and A Level Examinations Begin
- Mon 22 May Y9 Practice Exams Week
- Fri 26 May Y13 Last Day of Formal Teaching
- Half Term – Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Mon 5 June Y8 Exam Week
- Y13 Study Leave Begins
- Curnock Y6 Welcome Evening at 6pm
- Tues 6 June Davis Y6 Welcome Evening At 6pm
- Fri 9 June School Officers' Training Weekend, St Cassian's, depart 12.30pm (return Sat 10 June)



CHINA CHALLENGE CAN YOU HOST STUDENTS FROM SHANGHAI, JULY 2017?

We are looking to find families who would be interested in hosting two students for a week from the Aurora Foreign Language Middle School in Shanghai. A contribution will be paid to help cover costs.

The Year 7 and 8 students will be part of a group of 12 who will be visiting us later this term. They will be arriving on the evening of Saturday 1 July and leaving on the morning of Saturday 15 July.

If you are able to help accommodate them for a week during this time we would love to hear from you. Handover between families can be arranged at a suitable time over the middle weekend of 8 or 9 July. Please let us know if you have a preferred week or if you would like to do both weeks.



Although not obligatory, if your son/daughter would like to act as Host on the days when their guests are in school that would be a great help.

Please email to express your interest and for further information at: aharman@stbarts.co.uk
Ms Harman

YEAR 13 PROM



The Year 13 Prom takes place on Friday 30 June at Newbury Racecourse. The cost is £30 per person and can be paid via ParentPay or cash/cheque to the

finance department. The deadline for tickets is 19 May.

The evening will include a dinner buffet, music, photographers and awards.

Dress code is black tie.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION



Each half term there will be a photography competition to enter

There will be categories for staff, Y7-9 and Y10-11 and Y12+

The theme this half term is...

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Deadline: Wednesday 24 May

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

School Uniform and PE Kit

Outgrown it? Lost it? Torn it?
**Visit the Parents' Association
Second-hand Uniform Shop**
just inside the Students' Entrance on the right.

Open on Fridays during term time from
3.00pm to 3.45pm

Blazers, skirts (new style only), trousers, jumpers, ties, skorts, shorts, tracksuit bottoms, sweatshirts, rugby shirts, polo shirts, PE socks, shin pads, rugby/football/lacrosse boots, sports/boot bags

Prices range from 50p to £10

All donations welcome
either at the shop on Friday afternoons or any time via the main reception desk in a clearly marked bag.

Help raise funds for your school!



ALUMNI NETWORK

Were you a student at St Bart's? Would you like to make a difference to the lives of current students?

We are developing an alumni network with a national education charity, Future First, with the aim of encouraging and enabling former students to play a more active role in the ongoing life of the school.

These plans have been shared with the ONA and they see them as complementary to their network.

If you'd like to give something back to your old school, or even just stay in touch and attend a reunion, then all you need to do is sign up to our former student network at <https://networks.futurefirst.org.uk/former-student/stbartholomews>



EVERS NEWS

The Evers trip to **Thorpe Park** is fast approaching. Letters and forms are available from the House

Office and they must be returned by Thursday 18 May to book a place.

The exam season has begun and we said **farewell** and good luck to our Year 11 students last Friday at their Graduation assembly.

We're delighted to have awarded **School Colours** to a number of students. Congratulations to all of them.

Y11 Tom Williams and Tom Cole

Y10 Anna van der Zwaluw, Charley Tibbenham, Ursula Wright, Sophie Linehan, Jack Bailey, Ellen Grace, Seth Dawson, Imogen Scarr, Harry Leonard, Harry Donne, Izzy Sutton, David Brind, Toby Gale, Ethan Gallagher, Poom Narongpun, Harry Greenwood, Jazz Harbour, Dylan Rees, Ben Potter, Lorna Bird, Elle Henderson, Molly Tucker, Joseph McLaughlin.

Congratulations are also due to a large number of Year 7 students who have achieved their **Bronze Awards**. Ben Garrety, Adam Edwards, Will Stearn, Henry Woods, Caitlin Cox, Kitty Gilbert, Edan Forrester, Elise Garland, Sophie Bhatt, Shyam Taank, Michael Dann, Matthew Pinfold, Finley Blackmore-Coles, Olive Wallace, Malak Latif, Lily Whitby, Ben Kaesser, Lisa Bunce, Isa Lockhart, Alice Wells

TEN TORS

On Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 May, six Year 10 students, and one Year 12 student took part in the Ten Tors challenge on Dartmoor. Only 400 teams can take part each year. The St Bart's Year 10 team of Billy Dijksman, Daniel Matthews, Daniel Beck, Josh Marshall, Josh Prout and Conor Fernandes participated in the 35 mile challenge, starting at 7am Saturday morning and reaching the finish at 1.30pm on Sunday. They carried full expedition sacks and are required to be completely self-sufficient during the challenge. They kept up an excellent pace and reached their 7th Tor at the end of day one, then were up again to be ready to start walking at 6am on Sunday in order to complete the challenge.



James Read in Year 12 completed the 55 mile event as part of a team with students from another school. He is the first St Bart's student for ten years to achieve the impressive

feat of completing the 35, 45 and 55 mile events in consecutive years, and receiving all three Ten Tors medals - bronze, silver and gold.

Well done to all those involved, and thanks to the staff who helped make it possible, by supporting the training in Sundays during the last term, and during the Easter holidays. In particular thanks to Paul Brooker, Emma Wright and Clive Edwards who were there over the weekend to help the students be ready and well prepared, and to cook breakfast with me at 5am on Saturday morning.



Y10 team at the cross

Anyone who is in Years 10, 11 or 12 next year who might want to take part in 2018 Ten Tors should look out for notices about an initial meeting during the first half of the autumn term.

Mrs H Scourfield



DAVIS DIARY

This term Davis House welcomed Mrs Sarah Jelley who has joined the Davis House office team as House Administrator and Lead Attendance Officer. Mrs Jelley comes to us with much experience of working with young people and is rapidly getting to know the students and parents of Davis House.

Many Davis students have been working hard to achieve awards and in recent assemblies we awarded the following.

Bronze Awards: Juan Lim, Matvey Kholmor, Jack Wordley, Katelyn Dent, Alec Willoughby, George Shakespeare, Colum Bailey, Georgia Humphreys, Jamie Little, Amelia Repton, Polly Gibson, Finn Sheridan, Sam Robinson, Lucas Price, George Waters, Kate Hoverd, Annabel Grant, Rocco Power, Daniel Shaw, Sophie Lawrence, Aila Butt, Ebony Waterhouse, Baxter Fletcher, Toby Turner, Sebastian Burgess, Olivia Raines, Baijal Kumar, Lucy Godwin, Harshi Singh, Ed Denton, Amber Ashby, Angarad Pyne, William Walke, Jakub Skrodzki, Dylan Gerhardt-McLeish, Macauley Farry, Charlie Mabbatt, Maisie Dixon, Piers Fulcher.

Silver Awards: Rhiannon Evans, Emily Billett, Beth Burns, Tom Harvey, Jessica Head.

Gold Awards: Tom Grant, Joe Pollard, Maddie Osborne, Kate Lilliman, Hattie Turner, Louie Pass, Freya Owen, Alex Rance, Sophie Chessum, Amy Quesada-Getgood, Meg Seymour.

Junior House Colours: Dan Beck, Arianwen Evans, Callum Edwards, Lorien Carter, Toby Parker, Jessica Raines, Gareth Lewis, Mia Kriel, Freya Williams, Becca Dean, Dominic Gibbard, Jay Chammings, Emma Downie, Chiara Ricchi, Bethan Davies, Megan Bowey, Sasha Howgate, Ffion Godwin, Alice Barr, Ellie Dixon, Daisy Stratton, Hannah Grey, Megan Easton Thea Jacques, Molly Robinson, Grace Twyford, Abi Livingstone.

Congratulations to them all.

At our last assembly we said farewell to Davis Year 11 and wish them all the best for their GCSE exams and their future plans.

Mrs Hodgkin, Miss Miles, Mrs Jelley & Mrs Palmer

BOYS' PE

Football

The Year 10 football team won the Newbury Schools Plate final. Top performances from Josh Douglas and Calum Meechan. Congratulations.

GIRLS' PE

Tennis

Well done to the Year 9 and 10 girls team who won five out of six matches in the first competition of the season against The Abbey School.

Rounders

The first round of the league matches took place at Park House with games against Park House and Kennet. Results and players of the match follow.

St Bart's v Park House

Y7 won 14 – 6 ½ Alice Rawlins and Gemma Moon

Y8 won 10 – 3 ½ Maisie Lainsbury and Luci Robertson

Y9 won 15 ½ - 8 ½ Melissa Congerton and Gemma Loosen

St Bart's v Kennet

Y7 won 14 ½ - 6 Izzy Duly and Eva Dijkstra

Y8 lost 4 ½ - 7 ½ Bianca Vicaria and Lucy Emberlin

Y9 won 15 – 6 ½ Mia Eldridge and Gemma Loosen

Y10 drew 7 ½ - 7 ½ Katie House and Hannah Grey