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REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



Last Friday, 9 November, the whole school gathered in the hub for the annual St Bart's Remembrance Service. As well as staff and students in every year from the school,

the service was attended by ex-servicemen, governors and members of the Parents' Association and Old Newburians' Association.

They heard bugle calls by Ella Townsend and Alastair Swain and "Old 100th" from the brass band. A new piece, written specially by Mr Maunders, to mark the centenary of the first Armistice Day, called "A Century Passed", was also presented. Played by representatives of the four houses: Eva Djiksmen (flute, Curnock), Joe Pollard (saxophone, Davis), Matthew Prior (horn, Evers) and Eva Giaever-Enger (bassoon, Patterson) this performance was much praised by those at the service.

The music was recorded, and can be heard again by following [this link](#).

NON-UNIFORM DAY CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 16th November we are having a Non-Uniform Day in aid of Children in Need. Students are asked to donate £1 if they would like to wear non-uniform on the day, which will be collected by their tutor in the morning.

**St Bartholomew's
School**

**Christmas Gift and
Craft Fair**

Sunday 18th November
11.00am to 3.00pm

Over 60 stalls – Wide selection of
homemade 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)

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KEY STAGE 4 AWARDS EVENING



The annual KS4 Awards Evening was held on Thursday 8 November at which 125 prizes were awarded to last year's Year 11 students to celebrate their remarkable achievements. Our guest of honour, presenting GCSE certificates as well as the prizes, was Annie

Cave, who was our Head Girl in 2013-14. Since leaving us Annie has gained a first class degree in Human, Social and Political Sciences from Magdalene College Cambridge and has gone on to join the civil service graduate scheme, currently working in the Home Office.

Annie was able to use her recent experiences to provide the students with some highly relevant advice for their time in the Sixth Form at St Bart's.

Amongst the awards presented were a record 71 prizes given to students who achieved 8 or more grades at 7-9 (the equivalent of A* and A grades) at GCSE. Subject Prizes were given and also Major Awards for contributions to many aspects school life beyond the classroom.

It was wonderful to see the School Hall completely full with prize winners and their parents, alongside staff and governors, and it was a fitting occasion at which to celebrate a truly outstanding group of students.

GCSE CERTIFICATES – READY AND WAITING

If your child was unable to attend the KS4 Awards Evening last Thursday, please ask them to come to the exams office to collect their certificates. Centres are now only allowed to keep certificates for one year after the published date. Thank you.

THE HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP



The House Championship is always keenly contested and adds a wonderful competitive edge to events

and activities across the school. This year, the House Championship is growing. In order to better categorise the massive variety of competitions, we have created a 4th House

Competition Shield. The **Sport Shield** and **Academic Shield** have not changed, but the Citizenship Shield has been split to create the new **Arts and Enrichment Shield**. This shield comprises the flagship House Music, House Drama and House Dance competitions, plus the whole school quiz, debating and chess. Other enrichment competitions will be added to this shield during the year. The **Citizenship Shield** retains Awards, Attendance and Charity work, plus the current recycling initiative taking place right now.

Another exciting development is the creation of a **Sixth Form Cup**. This comprises a wide range of sixth form specific competitions and will be awarded as the Year 13 students leave in the Summer Term. The scores from the Sixth Form Cup will count towards the overall school House Championship.

Updates on the progress of each House in each element will be published on the main notice board in the Community Entrance and periodically in Bartholonews.

2019 SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS



Our Sixth Form Open Evening was held on Thursday 1 November. We really enjoyed chatting with many of our own Y11 students and meeting

so many students from other schools who have been attracted by our academic record and our established reputation.

If you know anyone who was unable to make our Open Evening, please invite them to join us on Wednesday 21 November for a talk with the Head of Sixth Form, Mr Robbins, and a tour with our School Officers. Coffee will be served on arrival, from 8:30am, for a 9:00am start. We expect the tour to finish by 10:15am.

To book a place on the tour, please email sixthform@stbarts.co.uk or call 01635 576368. Applications close on 30 November.

Tickets available from the Art Office

Adult £5
Concessions £3

**Monday 3rd December and
Tuesday 4th December**
7pm Main Hall, St Bart's School

Poster design by Alex Rance, 11D1.

ECO-CLUB CHALLENGE 1 MAKE YOUR LUNCHBOXES MORE ECO-FRIENDLY

The newly implemented recycling system is great for our sustainability at St Bart's, yet we must also question the source of all our waste as well as its disposal.



We can now effectively recycle items that are recyclable, but what about the crisp packets, the straws and the chocolate bar wrappers? The amount of general waste we are producing is declining, but the volume could halve if students' lunchboxes did not contain so much unrecyclable packaging.

Monitoring the recycling, it is disheartening that 3 in 5 items thrown away end up in the general waste. We have worked hard in the canteen to make the packaging compostable, which means lunchboxes are now the main culprit for general waste. Our aim is to suggest simple alternatives that will not take up a significant amount of time or cost more. The members of Eco Club have come up with the following suggestions.

Perhaps the most incriminating item we receive from lunchboxes is crisp packets; not only are crisps an unhealthy option, they are also very hard to recycle and take up to 80 years to biodegrade. We intend to highlight the issue in December by collecting crisp packets and sending them to TerraCycle for recycling, but reducing the number of packets now is a priority. A sustainable suggestion would be to buy a large packet of crisps and decant portions into a reusable pot or compostable sandwich bag. It is also cheaper to buy crisps in bulk as a large family packet.

Another prevalent issue is sandwich bags and clingfilm; both are not recyclable and are particularly harmful to the environment. Using tin foil is an easy solution to this problem. Paper bags are even better than tin foil because they are easier to recycle. The best alternative is a reusable sandwich box. These reduce the amount of general waste and are cheaper in the long-term. Reusable tubs are a worthwhile investment for more than just sandwiches as they also keep foods fresher for longer.



By following these simple alternatives to make your lunchboxes more environmentally friendly you are greatly improving the sustainability of the school. The new recycling system is becoming increasingly successful, and with a reduction of general waste, due to these alterations, we can make St Bart's one of the eco-friendliest schools in the country.

*Jemima Kerr, 7P1 and
Amy Turner, 13C1, Environmental Officer*

CALENDAR



Y12 Subject Parents' Evening	Weds 14 Nov	4.30pm - 7.00pm, Curnock Block
School Orchestra Day	Thurs 15 Nov	
All Y9 Jane Eyre Performance	Fri 16 Nov	11.00am – 12.15pm, Hall
Non Uniform Day, Children In Need Day	Fri 16 Nov	
Set up of PA Annual Gift & Craft Fair	Sat 17 Nov	2.00pm – 4.00pm, Hall
PA Annual Gift & Craft Fair	Sun 18 Nov	11.00am - 4.00pm, Hall
Y11 Interview Skills Day	Tues 20 Nov	All day, Hall
KS4/5 House Chess	Tues 20 Nov	12.30pm – 1.20pm, C117
Y11 English trip to "Sign of Four" production	Weds 21 Nov	Didcot (evening)

View all school events in our online calendar, [click here to go straight there](#)

NEWBURY BUS STATION CLOSURE

Please be advised that Newbury Bus Station is due to close on Saturday 1 December. From Sunday 2 December 2018, buses and National Express coaches will start serving from Newbury Wharf.

Details of the changes are available on West Berkshire Council's Transport Changes webpage. Follow [this link](#).

HOUSE ART & GRAPHICS COMPETITION

We are very excited to announce the launch of a new school competition this half term. All students are invited to create an Art & Graphics piece to be entered.

Students will receive details about the competition, its timings and guidelines, during their first Art & Graphics lessons after half term.

We will display the winning pieces in the Foyer during the school production of Grease on 3 and 4 December.

Photography Competition



Each half term there will be a photography competition to enter and the theme this half term is...

CHANGE

Deadline: Fri 8-12-18

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

PE

Netball

Well done to the year 7 A and B Netball teams who beat Trinity School this week. Results and players of the matches were as follows:

A team, won 10-2, Bella Castle
B team, won 9-3, Tilly Roots

Year 8 played Park House in the Netball League. St Bart's won 15-4. Well done to player of the match, Alex Royston.

Lacrosse

This Saturday we hosted St George's School, Ascot for Lacrosse fixtures.

Results and players of the matches were as follows:

1sts, won 11-3, Izzy Hole

Year 10, won 12-6,

Bianca Vicaris and Beth Carlton

Year 9, won 9-7,

Georgia Humphreys and Alice Rawlins

Year 8, won 20-4,

Emily Jardine and Maddie Mayo

Year 7, won 7-6, Kirsten Fraser



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Can't make our magnificent annual Christmas Craft and Gift Fair at the school Sunday 18 November? (see page 1)

Then you still have a chance to win one of the dozens of unique

Christmas Gifts in the PA Raffle. £1 a strip via Parent Pay.



St Bartholomew's proudly presents
in Association with MFMA
The Cycle of Success Programme

Launching Tuesday 13 November at 8:00am
If you're looking for:

- Improved Focus
- Better Grades
- Greater Confidence
- Greater Discipline
- Greater Chances of Success

then why not pop by for a fantastic session!

The most successful people in the world understand the importance of the morning routine. Get yours right with St Bartholomew's and MFMA.

A boxercise-based class every Tuesday morning before school in the Sports Hall.

Students can arrive in their PE kit and then change into their school uniform before registration.

The sessions are completely free and we hope to see you all shortly to start your day off right!



Find the Parents' Association on Facebook!



ST BART'S ALUMNI

St Bart's has a new Alumni Association!

Are you in touch with past students?

Have they signed up to our alumni network through Future First?

Please point them in the right direction so that they can receive our newsletters and reconnect with old friends!

Don't miss the second newsletter, due to be published soon, join today!

Find the Alumni Portal at
<http://bit.ly/2E2N4FL>

Find us:

