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REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



On Monday 11 November, the whole school gathered in the hub for the annual St Bart's Remembrance Service. In addition to all students and staff, the service was

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

The School Officers laid wreathes in the Memorial Garden and were joined by members of the CCF by the flagpole to lower the flag to half-mast.

This was followed by the traditional reading of the Roll of Honour, commemorating all of the past St. Bart's students who have died in war.

Bugle calls by Alistair Swain (13P2) were heard and then the School reflected during the two minute silence.

The service is a unique occasion where the whole school comes together to show gratitude for the bravery of all the past students and their comrades.



St Bartholomew's School

Christmas Gift and Craft Fair

**Sunday 17th November 2019
11.00 am to 3.00 pm**

With a variety of stalls for all your Christmas gifting needs – from stocking fillers to that special gift

Refreshments, lunches, teas and cakes

**Admission £2
Concession £1, under 16 free**

Buckingham Rd, Newbury, RG14 6JP

**To book a table or for more info
Email: stbartspa@gmail.com**



2020 SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS



Our Sixth Form Open Evening was held on Thursday 7 November. Students explored the Sixth Form,

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attended presentations and were able to drop in on subject classrooms to chat with teachers and our student subject reps.

We really enjoyed seeing many of our own Y11 students and meeting so many students from other schools who continue to be attracted by our academic record and our established reputation.

The deadline for Sixth Form applications is Friday 29 November 2019. If you missed the Open Evening, please do call 01685 576368 for information on our Sixth Form tours.

Calendar

		
Y12 Subject Parents' Evening	Weds 13 Nov	Curnock Block 4.30pm -7.00pm
Non Uniform Day for Children In Need	Fri 15 Nov	See opposite
Evers House Evening	Fri 15 Nov	Hall, 7.00pm
Set up of PA Annual Gift & Craft Fair	Sat 16 Nov	Hall, 2.00pm – 4.00pm
PA Annual Gift & Craft Fair	Sun 17 Nov	Hall, 11.15am - 4.00pm
Y11 Interview Skills Day	Tues 19 Nov	Hall, all day
Criminology Student Conference 2019	Tues 19 Nov	London, all day

**View all school events in our online calendar,
click here to go straight there**

CHRISTMAS GIFT AND CRAFT FAIR: Appeal for volunteers

The St Bart's Gift and Craft Fair is our biggest fund raising event of the year and one that attracts a huge variety of stallholders from far and wide.

We would love to see you at the Craft Fair, so please bring family and friends. If you are not

able to come to the Christmas Craft Fair parents can buy raffle tickets on [parentpay](#).

We are also looking for helpers and raffle prize donations. Please check [last week's BartholoNews](#) for details of how you could help or email stbartspa@gmail.com and let us know your availability.

ST BART'S PARENTS ASSOCIATION

warmly invites you to join us at a

CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

which we will be hosting at

**NEWBURY TOWN HALL,
Market place, Newbury**

**Saturday 23rd November
10am till noon.**



Pop in and enjoy some delicious homemade cakes and good old fashioned conversation, alongside a tombola table. All the money raised goes to boosting the extra curricular activities and equipment at St Bart's.

Tell your friends and family!

NON-UNIFORM DAY CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 15 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.

EVA SCHLOSS – HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR TALKS TO STUDENTS

Just before half term we were very privileged to be visited by Eva Schloss. Eva is 90 years old, a survivor of the Auschwitz death camp and the step-daughter of Anne Frank's father. We were able to fill the school hall with the whole of Year 10, over 100 sixth formers and a number of invited guests.



Eva spoke for 45 minutes and you could have heard a pin drop in the Hall throughout her account of her life, from her early childhood in Vienna to her hiding from Nazi occupation in Amsterdam through to her capture and arrival in Auschwitz. Her description of life in the camp and of her will to survive was in contrast to the feelings she described of her years after the war when life had so little meaning because of all she had lost.

Fortunately for all of us who heard her speak, she regained her joy in life through her own family and, now a widow, she devotes her life to telling others of her life and experiences. Amongst the many reactions from students...

Recently, we had an assembly with Eva Schloss, a Holocaust Survivor, talking about her experience. Whilst feeling extraordinarily fortunate to have been able to hear such a moving talk, it made me realise how lucky we are not to have to experience what she has been through from a young age.

At the end of the talk, Eva also gave an important message to not be a by-stander, and after what she said, I was sure that every Year 10 felt fortunate to have heard a personal experience of the Holocaust because the main hall was silent before applauding.

Jenny Tonge, 10C1

It was a very interesting talk and it induced a lot of feelings. It made me personally feel weak compared to how strong these people who endured this terrible event are. The personal account brought it to life. Reading about it in a text book is one thing but hearing a real account is something completely different. It made you really believe in luck.

Coral Dyson, 10C1



Eva with some of the Sixth Formers who attended her talk.

It made me reflect a lot on how we need to pay more attention to that part of history, as it was such a significant event. Even though it was so hard, it made me realise that our arguments are nothing in comparison to what these people went through. It teaches you to be strong regardless of how hard it was getting.

Lucy Bennett, 10C1

Eva has kindly donated signed copies of the three books that she has written and these will be available to borrow from the school library.

Eva gave a talk at the Watermill Theatre the evening before she came to St Bart's. We are grateful to the team at the Watermill for making Eva's visit to us possible.

EXCEPTIONAL LINGUISTIC SUCCESS

Modern Foreign Languages are going from strength to strength at St Bart's. Earlier this year [BartholoNews celebrated four students](#) who have been studying Mandarin after school and have now achieved amazing top grades.



Last month eleven Year 10 students learned that they had won prizes in a German essay-writing competition run by Reading University German Department and were invited to attend an awards ceremony at the University. To enter the competition the students had to write an alternative ending to a traditional German fairytale studied in class. One student commented, “*it was nice to do something a bit different from normal lessons and to have a chance to be creative.*”

Also, Head Girl, Ciara Beale, recently heard that she has won second Prize for her essay on Der Sandmann in this year's Oxford German Classic Prize essay competition. This competition is aimed at students going from Year 12 to 13, encouraging them to complete their entries independently over the summer term and represents a great achievement. Feedback on Ciara's work was exceptional, “*you have just the right approach. This kind of dedication and passion is exactly what we and other universities are looking for in candidates.*” Ciara will be invited to an awards ceremony to celebrate her achievement next summer.

These achievements come on top of praise for our language teaching from the Rt Hon Nick Gibb, Minister of State for School Standards [in a letter to the school](#) last March. These

accomplishments are a great testament to the hard work put in by both students and the staff who support them in their studies. Modern Foreign Languages are a valuable skill, allowing students to broaden their horizons.

CCF (ROYAL NAVY) FIELD DAY AT HMS COLLINGWOOD

Last month the combined Year 11 and 10 cadets, with seven Sixth Form NCOs, of the Royal Navy section had a gruelling, challenging and muddy experience at HMS Collingwood, the Royal Navy Leadership Academy.

Over 50 cadets completed the obstacle course, particularly enjoying the fact that the heavy rain of the last weeks had filled the water hazards to the brim and turned every ditch into a quagmire of thick, brown, slimy mud! There was also great fun completing Practical Leadership Tasks under the command of Sixth Form NCOs, as the cadets worked in teams to cross pits of lava, safely dispose of radioactive waste and rescue battlefield casualties against the clock.

The cadets from St Bart's received their usual glowing feedback from the RN



instructors, who were particularly impressed by the cadets “have a go” attitude, the leadership shown by the Sixth Form students, and the fact that the only cadet who didn't complete every challenge was the one on crutches! At the end of the day every cadet was completely caked in mud, tired out, and really satisfied with their achievements. Lt. Maunders & SLts. Evans & Castel were left really pleased with and proud of every cadet.

VACANCIES



BEHAVIOUR & INCLUSION OFFICER

Permanent, required as soon as possible

32 hours per week, Monday to Thursday 8:30am – 3:30pm, Friday 8:30am – 3:00pm, but some flexibility possible. Term-time only + 5 training days.

£22,911 – £25,295 gross pa (£11.88 to £13.11 per hour) pro rata Equates to a starting salary of 17,024.50 gross pa

We are looking for someone who will contribute to the improvement in outcomes, by supporting vulnerable students who have obstacles to their learning in order to engage them with learning and school life.

You will help address issues such as attendance and behaviour within school and provide support on an individual basis, linking with appropriate external agencies where necessary.

TECHNICIAN: EXPRESSIVE ARTS

Permanent, required for 6 January 2020

18 hours pw including 5 hours worked flexibly to support School performances, term-time only. Hours to be worked over 3 or 4 days to be agreed on appointment.

£18065 - £18426 gross pa (£9.36 - £9.55 per hour) pro rata Equates to a starting salary of £7500.20 gross pa

We would like to recruit a Technician to provide support for the Expressive Arts Faculty. We are seeking applicants with good organisational ability. Full training is available for the right person.

For full details of both roles or to apply, please visit: www.stbarts.co.uk

Closing date for both roles is Sunday 24 November 2019

Successful candidates will be subject to a DBS enhanced check along with other relevant employment checks.

Tel: 01635 521255

E-mail: recruitment@stbarts.co.uk

A THANK YOU IN RESPONSE TO THE HARVEST APPEAL

Thank you to students, staff and parents who responded overwhelmingly to the annual Harvest Appeal. Many boxes of tins and packets of groceries were collected. Half of the donations will be delivered to Fair Close Centre and half of the donations will be delivered to Loose Ends in Newbury.

PE

Netball

St Bart's played league matches against Trinity School. The results and players of the matches are as follows:

Year 7 A team, won 20-0, Chloe Shore

Year 8, won 16-13, Anabelle Maclean

Year 9, won 15-7, Lauren Woody

KEY CONTACTS REMINDER

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Sixth form email: sixthform@stbarts.co.uk

Sixth form enquiries: 01635 576368

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