

Barthole News



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Parents' Association Meeting	Wednesday 18 May	WMR - 7pm
Y7-10 Boys' English Schools Track & Field Cup	Thursday 19 May	Bracknell Leisure Centre - All Day
Y7 Subject Parents' Evening	Thursday 19 May	Curnock Block – 4.30-7pm
Y13 Final Day	Friday 20 May	
AS & A LEVEL EXAMS START	Monday 23 May	
YEAR 9 EXAM WEEK	Monday 23 May	
Y10 Graphics Trip to Marwell Zoo	Tuesday 24 May	All Day

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

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

Howdens Joinery, Newbury

Apprenticeship opportunities. Contact the Depot Manager Tel: 01635 582271. Email: Newbury@Howdens.Com

Visit our [Y7-11 Careers Opportunities webpage](#) for more events. And a more comprehensive listing for older students is also available on the Sixth Form Hub: [Careers and Study Opportunities page](#).

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VACANCIES

SAFEGUARDING & INCLUSION OFFICER

We are searching for a Safeguarding & Inclusion Officer to join us on 1 September 2022 on a permanent basis.



We are looking for Someone with experience to support vulnerable students within school. You will be a key member of the safeguarding team, with responsibility to work alongside Pastoral Leaders and the Leadership Team to respond to safeguarding concerns and provide support for students and families, both as concerns arise and through longer term work with key students.

HOURS: 37 hours per week, term-time only, plus 5 training days pro rata. Part-time hours would be considered for someone with suitable experience.

SALARY: £23953.00 - £26446.00 gross pa (£12.42 - £13.71 per hour), pro rata for term-time. Starting salary equates to £20579.84 gross pa for 37 hours pw.

SENIOR TEACHING ASSISTANT

We are searching for a part-time Senior Teaching Assistant to join us on 1 September 2022 on a permanent basis.

We are looking for someone to work with teachers in the delivery of differentiated high quality lessons, and to support students in their learning and development and encourage them to participate in all aspects of school life. We are seeking applicants with good educational qualifications and organisational ability, who have empathy with students, and are able to motivate and encourage them.

As Senior TA you will provide expertise, knowledge and guidance in a specific area of additional needs and liaise with relevant agencies as required. You will support other TA's in the delivery of appropriately differentiated high quality lessons and in the management of concerns, as well as line managing a small group of TA's, being responsible for their appraisal.

You will provide support to the SENCO and Deputy SENCO in managing the students in the Personalised Learning department, teaching small groups interventions for literacy, numeracy and enrichment as well as being involved in the organisation of special access arrangements for exams.

HOURS: 29 hours and 40 minutes per week (Monday to Thursday 8.40am to 3.10pm and Friday 8.40am to 2.50pm) term-time only, plus 5 training days pro rata.

SALARY: £18933.00 - £19312.00 gross pa (£9.81 - £10.01 per hour), pro rata for part-time, term-time. Starting salary equates to £12671.47 gross pa for 29 hours and 40 minutes pw.

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

Closing date for both roles is Sunday 5 June 2022

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

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ST BART'S IS ON INSTAGRAM

If Instagram is your social media flavour of choice, you are in luck because we have recently set up an Instagram account.

Alongside our Facebook and Twitter accounts this is an ideal way to keep in touch with recent stories, news, results and reminders about school life. Do look us up and follow!

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find us:



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Y13 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY



This week Year 13 also celebrate and reflect on their time at St Bart's as they embark on their exams and look forward to some very exciting new opportunities. On Monday they attended their Leavers' Assembly, led by the head students, and premiering a special pre-recorded performance of High School Musical – We Are All In This Together - featuring some special guests! On Friday the students will enjoy a Goodbye Breakfast

followed by the traditional Year 13 Parade around the Hub. Pictures of the parade to follow in next week's BartholoNews...

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THANK YOU TO OUR YEAR 11 BART'S AMBASSADORS

2021-22 saw the launch of our BART'S Ambassadors. Our Year 11 students were keen to apply for the role which saw them act as role models for the younger students and work with teachers and students to drive school improvements. This year our Ambassadors have supported our Year 7s with settling into life at St Bart's, delivered assemblies to different year groups and have worked with members of staff

across the school. Some of our Ambassadors have taken on further leadership opportunities and have supported and led student council meetings alongside of Sixth Formers, others have been supporting cocurricular clubs and some students have worked with our library team.

Mrs Hewetson, Librarian at St Bart's Library, said, *"I was absolutely delighted when I heard some students had volunteered to help in the Library and become Library Ambassadors. We discussed ideas about how they could help and what they wanted to achieve, and they were brilliant- coming into the Library every week, either working on creating posters from newspaper clippings to appeal to Year 7 - Year 10 students, or helping with regular Library tasks such as shelving books. The students were a real asset to the Library and I would like to thank Amelie McKenzie, Elena Tohux, Mabel Rayner, Maisie Lee and Sophie Jenner for all their hard work over the last few months."*



The students have represented the school with pride as they walk around our site in their purple ties. They have made a strong start to the BART'S Ambassador role, and many of them will continue to drive change when they join our Sixth Form in September. This week our Year 10 students have handed in their application forms to become BART'S Ambassadors and we hope that they will continue the work that our Year 11s have done. Thank you all for your commitment to the school and this role.

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CCF SPRING TERM REVIEW

For the second successive term, St Bart's CCF was able to fulfil all its planned activities.

In early February, a highly successful Weapons Handling Training (WHT) weekend was held for year 10, supported by both St. Bart's instructors as well as members of our Cadet Training Team (CTT). This was followed in March by an optional Night Exercise for Army and RAF cadets in Years 11, 12, 13. This was an excellent activity with great progress being made by all in their fieldcraft and weapon handling skills. A week later, it was the turn of Year 10 to have their respective Field Days. The RN section had a great day at Portsmouth (reported last term) while both the Army and RAF sections spent the day at Bramley. The Army section honed their fieldcraft and ambush skills, with those who attended the WHT weekend able to have their first experience of blank firing. The RAF undertook archery, orienteering and patrolling. Fine weather for the day added to the overall enjoyment of these activities.

Throughout the term, those aiming to take part in the Ten Tors event completed four training walks of increasing length and increasingly heavy rucksacks. With a strong representation from Year 10 for the 35 mile team, we were delighted to be able to enter a second 35 mile team, late in our preparations, in addition to the one 45 mile team. This meant that very few were disappointed not to make a team following the selection weekend on Dartmoor, which took place over the first weekend of the Easter holiday. The two day walk, with an overnight camp at Holming Beam, was completed in superb weather enabling all to learn a great deal about navigating their way through this unique landscape. The majority returned to Newbury on the Monday but 8 cadets remained to join with those already experiencing the variety of activities in our Adventure Training week. All those on the Adventure Training week took part in mountain biking, archery and indoor climbing and those not involved with Ten Tors training also completed two day walks with an overnight camp on the last two days of the week.



Ten Tors 2022

On the weekend of 6 – 8 May, 18 students in 3 teams participated in the 60th Ten Tors Challenge on Dartmoor. After 2 years of the event not being able to run, St Bart's were delighted to be able to enter 2 teams of Year 10 students in the 35 mile event for the first time in at least 15 years, as well as a team of Year 12 students in the 45 mile event. After a day of kit checking and route planning in school on Thursday 5 May, the teams travelled to Okehampton for final preparations together with the other 400 teams involved on Friday 6 May. All were up bright and early ready for the 7am start on Saturday morning with their rucksacks filled to the brim with tents, sleeping bags and all their equipment for the 2 day expedition. With warm, calm weather all day Saturday the teams made excellent progress, despite their encounters with the Dartmoor bog at various times during the day, and reached their 6th or 7th Tor before they camped. On Sunday morning some early mist meant their navigation skills had to come to the fore, but all 3 teams coped well and were delighted when the mist cleared to reveal another sunny day. The first 35 mile team (our first all girl team in



recent memory) completed their route just after 1pm, followed by the second 35 mile team just after 3.30pm and the 45 mile team just before the 5pm cut off time.



All of the students involved were a credit to the school in their teamwork and determination, and should be very proud of their achievement. One of the teams impressed a member of the public who they met on the Moor on Sunday so much that they emailed the school to complement them on their enthusiasm and team spirit. Well done to all those involved.

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BRITVIC MARKETING TALK



Last week we welcomed Matthew Barwell, Chief Marketing Officer at Britvic, as the latest speaker in the Sixth Form enrichment programme.

“The talk was brilliant from a business and economics perspective but also from the perspective of students finding their career paths. Matthew Barwell gave a fascinating insight on the fluidity of job opportunities and the importance of finding

purpose early on in life so that we can pick a future that's right for us.

The environmental crisis facing the world today is often missed out from talks by employees of big business, but Matthew Barwell's talk highlighted the imminent threat we face and how businesses can improve their ways for the good of the planet. I feel that I have a more informed point of view on the responsibilities of adults in the world of work and on the best ways of discovering the ideal career for me thanks to the enriching assembly.”

Ed Morris (12C6)

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

Suppliers

The summer is usually the time when parents/carers replace any outgrown or worn out items of school uniform. In the interest of families having a choice of uniform supplier, both **Skoolkit** and **West Berkshire Clothing** are now stocking all items of uniform and PE kit. Website links are www.skoolkit.co.uk and www.westberkshireclothing.co.uk/school-shop

As an alternative option, the Parents' Association's school uniform shop is also a very cost effective way of purchasing St Bart's uniform items. Their shop is open on Fridays during term time from 3.00pm to 3.45pm. In the meantime, if you have any requirements email the Parents' Association at stbartspa@gmail.com

PE Base Layer Top

During colder weather sports students now have the option of wearing a plain black base layer top under long sleeved PE uniform. This optional item must not be visible. It can therefore be worn underneath the rugby shirt or the quarter zip long sleeved black/purple top.

The full uniform list and supplier contacts can be accessed at [here](#).

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EVERS CAKE SALE

Evers House Captains, Adam, Izzy, Sophie, Tia and Josh, organised a cake sale with the helping hands of some of our Year 7s to raise a whopping £135.00 to support this week's Mental Health Awareness week.

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the cake sale.

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PE

Year 7 Boys' Cricket

The Year 7 Boys' Cricket Team played a close match against Reading Blue Coat School (RBC) in the County Cup. St Bart's won the toss and put RBCS into bat first, and they scored 131 for 3 off 20 overs. St Bart's scored 99 all out off 17 overs. A very respectable score. Players of the match were Yudeesh Balachandran and Ed Hancock for their brilliant batting partnership.



Year 7 Girls' Cricket

St Bart's held the first Year 7 girls' cricket festival this evening.

Thank you to our groundsman James Bloodworth who created four amazing cricket pitches for us on Luker field.

7 schools took part.

Our A team lost to St Gabriel's School and to Park House School A. Our B team lost to Willink School and beat Theale Green School.

A big thank you to the Year 10 sports leaders who helped with setting up, packing up and umpiring.



Year 8 Cricket

The Year 8 cricket team won their first West Berkshire league fixture against Kennet School. Lots of great individual performances, player of the match was awarded to Leo Clark. Well done to all involved!



Year 9 Cricket

Year 9 girls played their first round of cricket games this afternoon. St Bart's A played Willink School and Park House School and won both of their games. St Bart's B unfortunately lost both their games against St Gabriel's School and Trinity School. Thank you to our lovely sports leaders who came and umpired their games. Nina, Ellie, Hannah, and Emily.



Year 10 Tennis



A busy week for tennis fixtures saw the Year 10 girls begin their LTA schools tennis competition with an 8-4 win against The Oratory School. Player of the match was Immy Moon, after winning both matches and playing some excellent tennis against the opponents' first seed.

The Year 10 boys also had a win against a significantly younger Oratory team, winning the fixture 12-0. Daanyal Begg was awarded player of the match with some impressive groundstrokes and two wins from two.

The Year 10 girls then travelled away on Thursday with a tough match against Queen Anne's School. All

girls played excellently and won many games despite losing the match overall. Player of the match - Francesca Parsons.



Sixth Form House Dodgeball

An astonishing 50 students turned up. It was a high energy event and lots of fun. Thanks to the PE Department and Mrs Lane for supporting the event.

Results: 1st – Curnock, 2nd – Patterson, 3rd – Evers, 4th – Davis



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