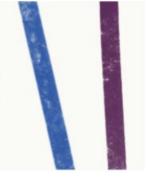


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#### PARENT/CARER SURVEY:

We would be very grateful if you could complete this <u>online</u> <u>survey</u> by the end of this half-term.

More information about the survey can be found on our website.

We will close the survey on Thursday 28 March at 13.00.



your thoughts by 28 March

We will come to the end of a very busy Spring Term this Thursday. Please remember that the school day will finish at 12.30pm on that day.

I hope that you have a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break when we get there, and we look forward to welcoming students back into school on Monday 15 April.

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Luker also demonstrated how she can find crossing boxes to enable safe crossing of roads. She behaved beautifully and was rewarded by playing with her toys. She is still in training but is working hard, Charlotte says Luker is very chilled!





It was also announced, that thanks to the hard work of Patterson students, we have now raised another £2500, meaning we can sponsor a tenth dog. This is such a massive achievement - well done Patterson! Look out for us in the Newbury Weekly News.

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#### **Calendar**

Y12 Krakow Trip departs	Wednesday 27 March	Returns Friday 29 March
Y10 Box Clever Performance - Macbeth	Wednesday 27 March	Hall EP P1/2, CD P4/5
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Y12 Music Technology Conference	Wednesday 27 March	Music Rooms, P1-3
Sixth Form House Dodgeball	Wednesday 27 March	P5
ONA Netball and Rugby	Wednesday 27 March	4.30pm
Y8 Deadline for return of Y9 Curriculum Choices	Thursday 28 March	

## Thursday 28 March - END OF TERM School Day Finishes 12.30pm

CCF Easter AT Week, Dartmoor		(return 3 April)
Y11 & Y13 Geography Trip	Monday 1 - Friday 5 April	Iceland

Monday 15 April - Student Term Begins				
Y11/Y13 Year Group Photographs	Tuesday 16 April			
Y12/Y13 Drama Trip	Tuesday 16 April	'Machinal' at the Old Vic, London, 5.30 - 11.30pm		
Options at 18 Evening	Wednesday 17 April	7.00pm (plus optional talks starting at 6.30pm)		
Y12 UCAS Conference - Winchester	Thursday 18 April	P1-4		
Inclusion Coffee Morning	Thursday 18 April	WCC, 8.30 - 10.00am		
Ten Tors Training - Selection	Friday 19 April	1.00pm onwards		
Ten Tors Training - Selection	Saturday 20 April	All day		
World Challenge Training Day	Saturday 20 April	All day		
Ten Tors Training - Selection	Sunday 21 April	All day		

View all school events in our online calendar. Click here to go straight there

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#### **CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES**

#### SPOTLIGHT: AWE Apprenticeships Day

Wednesday 3 April 10.00am – 3.00pm. An introduction into AWE apprenticeships; find out what it's like to work at AWE. For students in Years 10 and 12. Find out more and register here.

St Bart's Careers Education Programme is delivered through PSHE lessons, assemblies and a portfolio of careers events. More information on the programme can be found on our website. You will also find on our website a Careers Opportunities page, which features news the school is sent on Apprenticeship Courses and Programmes, University Workshops and Schemes, Industry Webinars, Careers Resources for Parents and Carers and much more. The opportunities on this page are updated weekly. Please click to view the latest information.

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#### **VACANCIES**

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR**

We are looking for a part-time Human Resources Administrator to join us as soon as possible on a permanent basis.



We are looking for an organised and enthusiastic individual, able to offer strong administrative support in a variety of tasks. With excellent communication skills, you will organise recruitment programmes, liaising with candidates and the Leadership Team, carry out a range of safeguarding checks to ensure our compliance with the Safer Recruitment Guidelines for Schools and keep our HR/Payroll system accurate and up to date.

You will be confident working independently as part of our Human Resources team and capable of managing multiple priorities effectively to meet deadlines, with excellent levels of attention to detail and accuracy and a can-do approach.

HOURS: 30 hours per week, Monday to Friday (start time on interview days may be from 8.15am), term-time only, plus 5 days pro rata during the school holiday and 5 training days pro rata.

SALARY: £25979.00 - £27803.00 gross pa (£13.47 - £14.41 per hour), pro rata for part-time, term-time. Starting salary equates to £18501.69 gross pa.

To find out more details, and to apply, please go to <a href="https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/human-resources-administrator-west-berkshire-2028493">https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/human-resources-administrator-west-berkshire-2028493</a>.

Closing date: Monday 15 April 2024

All applicants shortlisted will be subject to an online search. Successful candidates will be subject to a DBS enhanced check along with other relevant employment checks.

Tel: 01635 521255 email: recruitment@stbarts.co.uk

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#### **YEAR 12 TRIP TO KRAKOW**

Today, a group of our Year 12 students, accompanied by Mr Owen, Miss May and Mrs Lane, will be heading to Krakow, Poland. The 3-day trip is part of our Beacon School Programme, in conjunction with the UCL Centre for

Holocaust Education, which enhances teaching and learning about the Holocaust. The visit will include a visit to Kazimierz, Krakow (considering the impact of the occupation), a trip to Galicia Museum to meet with a Holocaust Survivor and a visit to the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum. Students will also visit Rynek Podgorski to learn more about the former ghetto, living conditions and forced labour.

Mikey Cloete is one of the students travelling to Poland, he said: "I look forward to this trip as I believe it will be highly educational as well as



interesting. The trip has been planned to give us a good balance of Holocaust focus, whilst allowing us breaks from some of the most intense and serious educational experiences. I personally decided to go on this trip as I have always held a great interest around WW2 and developing a greater understanding of the deeper topics around the Holocaust. I hope to gain personal experiences of being in these areas and to expand my own knowledge. I believe everyone will gain a great educational, personal and emotional affect from this trip."

In the months leading up to the visit, the students involved with the programme have had the opportunity to attend a series of school seminars, led by teaching staff, and covering topics such as The Nuremburg Trials, literature around the Holocaust and pre-war Jewish life. Mikey, alongside fellow Year 12 students, Sophie and Vanja, has been chosen as Beacon Captain. The role will involve contributing to ideas around the Beacon School Programme and how it is delivered across school, as well as sharing their own experiences and lessons from the programme to the wider school community. The students have plans to lead a school assembly on their experiences following their return from Poland.

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#### **BOX CLEVER – 'ROMEO AND JULIET', YEAR 9**

On Friday last week, the touring theatre company, Box Clever, made their third visit to school this year. This time they were performing 'Romeo and Juliet' to Year 9. This fast-paced, exciting performance really captivated students and brought the play to life. Students were eager to get involved in the workshop opportunity afterwards, and it was great to hear them speaking (shouting) lines as the love triangle between Paris, Romeo and Juliet followed its devastating, but predictable course.



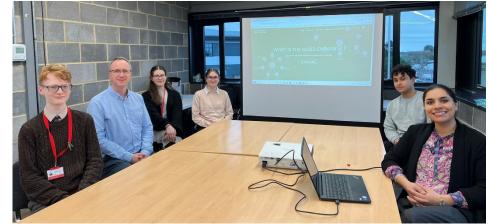
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#### **GREENHAM TRUST YOUTH DISTRIBUTION MEETING**

Last year, we reported that St Bart's students had been given the opportunity to join in the Greenham Common Trust's Youth Distribution Committee. The trust has supported over 5000 local good causes and distributed over £71 Million since their inception in 1997. This committee consists of young people from local secondary schools and groups. They review projects and agree how best to award grants. Archie (13D5) and Luisa (13C2) have been invited to take part again recently.

Luisa said, "Being invited again to the Greenham Trust Youth Distribution Meeting was great. We, as a team,

allocated funding to various charities, parish councils, schools and towns, giving those who received funding a chance to support those more vulnerable and improve their area. Everyone listened to each other and shared ideas and experiences that were vital to distributing resources to the organisations. It was a brilliant experience and thank you to the Sixth Form Team for the opportunity to attend and take part in these meetings and discussions."



#### **MANAGING EXAM STRESS**

On Tuesday 19 March, we hosted an information evening on 'managing exam stress', which was well attended by parents and students. There were presentations from <a href="Time 2 Talk">Time 2 Talk</a> and <a href="TellMi">TellMi</a> focusing on how young people can understand and manage their anxieties and how we can help manage stress levels, specifically during examination periods.

Thank you to all who attended. If you weren't able to attend <u>you can look at</u> the presentation on our website, which includes the slides from TellMi.



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#### **ATTENDANCE**

We are delighted to have been awarded a certificate placing us in the top 25% of schools nationally for our



whole school attendance figures in the Autumn Term. However, you will be aware of the importance attendance to school has on a child's academic achievement and progress, and therefore this remains a key focus for us as we enter into the vital summer terms.

Attached is an attendance leaflet from West Berkshire, which highlights the importance of your child attending school each day. If you have any questions regarding your child's attendance or need support in order to improve attendance further, please contact your child's House Office.

Mr Bastable Deputy Headteacher

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#### PE

#### **Netball League Results 2024**

Please see below the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions for this terms West Berkshire netball leagues. A full set of results follow below.

Firstly, a massive thank you to the Director of Netball, Mrs Shopland. You have been absolutely amazing, as always, with your organisation and commitment. Also, thank you to all the staff who have supported the school netball this term.

Well done to all of the girls who have taken part in fixtures and training sessions this term. You should be really proud of your results.

Year 7 (A League)

1<sup>st</sup> - St Gabriel's

2<sup>nd</sup> - St Bart's

Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> - The Downs & Park House

Year 8 (A League)

1<sup>st</sup> - Park House

Joint 2<sup>nd</sup> - St Bart's & St Gabriel's

Year 9 (A League)

1<sup>st</sup>-St Bart's

2<sup>nd</sup>-Kennet

Joint 3rd Park House, The Downs & Willink

Year 10 (A League)

1st - St Bart's

2<sup>nd</sup> - Kennet

3<sup>rd</sup> - Park House

Year 11 (A League) 1<sup>st</sup> - St Bart's 2<sup>nd</sup> - Kennet 3<sup>rd</sup> - The Downs

Sixth Form League 1<sup>st</sup> - St Bart's 2<sup>nd</sup> - St Gabriel's 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kennet Year 7 (B League)

1<sup>st</sup> - St Gabriel's

Joint 2<sup>nd</sup> - Kennet & St Bart's

Year 8 (B League) 1<sup>st</sup> - St Gabriel's 2<sup>nd</sup> - Willink 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kennet

Year 9 (B League)
1st Theale
Joint 2nd St Bart's & Trinity

Year 10 (B League)
Joint 1<sup>st</sup> - Kennet & Willink
3<sup>rd</sup> - Park House

Year 11 (B League) 1<sup>st</sup> - St Bart's 2<sup>nd</sup> - Willink 3<sup>rd</sup> - Theale



Year 7



Year 10



Year 11

#### **Table Tennis Festival**

Last week, St Bart's hosted a Table Tennis Festival for three schools. We won the competition, winning 11 out of 12 games. Very well done to all involved and thank you to all the staff who enabled this to take place.



#### U13 Football

Well done to the U13 girls' football team who reached the semi-final of the County Cup. Unfortunately they lost in the semi-final at home to Maiden Erlegh School.

It was a great match between two very strong teams. We scored two early goals and were 2-1 up at half time. But we could not hold on and the game ended 2-2 and we had to play

extra time. Both teams had chances to win the game, but extra time ended 0-0. So we had to go to penalties and it wasn't meant to be for us.

But the team has lots of potential and talent and we know they will go on to do big things in the future. Well done to the whole squad. Well done to Alice who was awarded player of the match.

#### Year 8 Football

The Year 8 boys' football team played a league game against a very good Trinity side. The boys were 1-1 at half time but unfortunately lost the game 3-1. Joint player of the match for Rory Tucker (first goal for school) and Rory McLellan.





**Year 11 Football** 

Well done to the Year 11 football team who beat Trinity 2-1. The match was full of good performances, but the players of the match were the back four and Jimmy. Well done to all.

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