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Full time Trainee Dental Nurse

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Administrative Assistant: Lettings and Casual Site Supervisor

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7 June 2024

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Both teams started steadily, before the 35 milers (Year 10) accelerated through the pack of teams to finally camp at their 7th Tor as the lead team on their route. The 45-milers, meanwhile, kept their steady pace through the heat of the afternoon, even adding in an extra Tor (checkpoint) not on their designated route, to camp just after their 6th Tor at 10.30pm. Both teams were up and on the move by 6.00am on Sunday. Unfortunately, Arthur, in the 35-mile team had a deep encounter with the Dartmoor bog, and lost a boot early on Sunday morning. He was forced to drop out at the next safety check, despite continuing for 5km with only one boot! The remainder of the team then continued at a pace to complete their route before midday, one of the earliest St Bart's finishes ever. Plus it's been 20 years since a St Bart's team finished first on their route! The 45-milers kept those at the finish waiting a bit longer, but completed as a full team an hour inside the cut off time.

While the weather was dry and clear (unusual for Dartmoor!), the heat added its own challenge to both teams and they should be very proud of their achievements.



45-mile team: Milla Brereton, Barney Owen, Annie Taylor, Willem Vrolijk, Danni Weaver and Astrid Wilson-Gignoux.



35-mile team: Peter Essex-Lopresti, Amos Fitch, Sam Kirby, Arthur Macgregor, Charlie Morse and Harvey Robinson.

Thanks to all the staff whole helped during the training walks and event: Miss Baikie, Lt Wright, Maj Patrick, Mr Edwards, Sgt Edwards, Lt Cantwell, Mr Brooker, Dr Scourfield, Mr Talbot and Miss Wenlock.

Calendar

Year 8 Patterson - Hurst Castle Trip	Wednesday 22 May	8.50am-4.30pm
Sixth Form House Dodgeball	Wednesday 22 May	P5
Parents' Association Meeting	Wednesday 22 May	WCC, 7.00pm. See below
Y10 Business Trip to Paultons Park	Thursday 23 May	All day
Year 8 Davis - Hurst Castle Trip	Friday 24 May	8.50am-4.30pm

HALF TERM – Monday 27 Friday 31 May

Return from Half Term holiday	Monday 3 June	
Y12 Business Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park	Tuesday 4 June	9.00am – 3.15pm
Y10 Graphics Trip to Marwell Zoo	Thursday 6 June	All day
Y7-13 Wembley Trip - England v Iceland	Friday 7 June	Depart 4.00pm
Berks Schools U15/U17/U19 County Track/Field Athletics	Saturday 8 June	Palmer Park. All day

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

PA Meeting on Wednesday 22 May

St Bart's Parents' Association would like to welcome all parents and carers to join them at the next PA Meeting on Wednesday 22 May at 7.00pm in Wormestall Conference Centre. The focus for the meeting will be student reports, including the colour coding system, comments and how this is applied. All parental feedback and questions are helpful so please do join us if you are able.

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: Full time Trainee Dental Nurse

Cedar Dental Care are looking for a Full time Trainee Dental Nurse and will provide in-house training and the apprenticeship dental course online. This will lead to a National Qualification in Dental Nursing. For more information please contact Practice Co-ordinator, Alison Faithfull, receptioncedardental@gmail.com or 01635 867979.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: LETTINGS

We are looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant: Lettings to join us as soon as possible on a permanent basis.



We are looking for a highly organised team member who is an excellent communicator, and proficient in the use of IT, to be responsible for a wide range of administrative activities to support the Facilities Team in all aspects of the school's lettings.

HOURS: 12 hours per week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 4 hours per day (9:30am – 1:30pm), term-time only, plus training days and one additional week to be worked in the holidays, pro rata.

SALARY: £23114 gross pa (£11.98 per hour), pro rata for part-time, term-time. Starting salary equates to £6584.52 gross pa.

To find out more details, and to apply, please [click here](#). **Closing date: 1 June 2024**

CASUAL SITE SUPERVISOR

We are looking for a Site Supervisor to join us on a casual basis as soon as possible.

We are looking for someone to become a member of our Site team on a casual basis to cover holiday or sickness. Hours could be evenings, weekend or daytime and there may be the possibility of some regular weekend hours.

You will be assisting in the day to day smooth running of the school and evening lettings to external hirers. You will be involved in a wide range of activities, which ensure the site is a safe environment for our extended school community.

We need a flexible person who is a good communicator, helpful, well organised and able to work on their own with minimal supervision.

HOURS: This is a zero hours contract, and although appropriate work may be offered to you, if it is available, there is no obligation for the school to do so and you are under no obligation to accept any work offered.

SALARY: £13.72 per hour (equates to a salary of £23114.00 gross pa). Pay review pending in April 2024.

To find out more details, and to apply, please [click here](#). **Closing date: Wednesday 5 June 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



FLAME FORTUNE AT YOUNG ENTERPRISE AREA FINAL

On Thursday 16 June, our Young Enterprise company, Flame Fortune, were one of eight teams competing at the regional final in Buckinghamshire. They were one of two companies representing Berkshire, having won at the area final in April. The other teams came from Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

Since setting up last September, Flame Fortune have completed all aspects of running their own enterprise. They have to come up with their own idea, sell shares to raise capital, conduct research, source supplies, manufacture the product, promote the company, participate in selling events and manage the finances. Alongside this they have participated in a range of Young Enterprise competitions – Dragon’s Den, Best Business Plan, Best Trade Stand (which was judged at the Young Enterprise trade fair in Bracknell), Best Company Report (which they won!).



Managing their participation in this programme, alongside their A Level studies, is a fantastic learning experience for the students. Skills of time management, organisation, communication, resilience and patience have certainly been developed!

Fifty-two Young Enterprise companies were set up in our South Central region in September. Although Flame Fortune did not win through to the National final, to be one of the final eight in the region is a brilliant achievement. They are the first St Bart’s

team to do this! All finalists were presented with a trophy to recognise this achievement.

Well done to all the team - Sakshi Kamra, Sreelakshmi Sreejith, Barney Owen, Alec Dukes, Robert Lambert, Mikey Cloete, Tom Grimbleby, Laura Swanson and Jennifer Bibin, for a great effort!

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HEALTHCARE ROUTES FOR ST BART’S STUDENTS

Despite the sometimes gloomy headlines surrounding the state of our National Health Service, at St Bart’s we are often buoyed by the knowledge of the number of bright young people looking to forge a career as a healthcare professionals across a number of fields.

A recent Censuswide survey, commissioned by Universities UK and analysed by the Nuffield Trust, spoke to more than 5,000 young people across the UK, aged between 16 and 26. It found that, despite perceptions of high pressure and long hours, 73% are considering or have considered a career in healthcare, with nursing (39%), medicine (35%), and midwifery (22%) the most popular courses for these respondents. Improving the lives of others (46%) is the reason most often given for their interest in these careers, closely followed by having a rewarding career (40%).

Across the Sixth Form, over 250 students have been made offers through UCAS. We decided to speak to some of our Year 13 students (Izzy, Mabel and Issy), who have received offers for placements on healthcare courses. Both Izzy Quesada-Getgood and Mabel Rayner intend to go to University of East Anglia, Izzy has been offered a highly competitive place to study medicine and Mabel plans to study Paramedic Science. Issy Tallis plans to attend University of Bath and follow a course in Pharmacy.



"Initially, my interest to study medicine was sparked by the opportunity to spend the rest of my life learning about the human body. However, the process of applying to medical school has enlightened me to the amazing opportunities medicine has to offer, such as being able to have a positive impact on someone through the power of knowledge and compassion. Overall, I am very excited and grateful to have the opportunity to pursue such a fulfilling career. The application process for medicine is tough, but my experience was made so much easier with the help of the school who provided me with fantastic opportunities to develop my skills and reassurance during times of doubt and worry. I am so grateful for all the help I have received and look forward to what my future career brings!" - Izzy Quesada-Getgood

"I have always wanted to work in the NHS and studying Paramedic Science seemed like the perfect option for me. I want to make a difference to peoples' lives and the day-to-day variety of the job appeals to me. I'm particularly looking forwards to being part of an ambulance crew for my placements at university."- Mabel Rayner

"I have always had an interest in medical related topics, which was driven by a personal experience of hospitals. I was lucky to be able to explore careers in this area through visiting Universities and attending science related career talks. Up until this point I was under the misconception that Pharmacists just handed out drugs but my eyes were opened to the wide breadth of areas Pharmacists covered, hospitals, community and research. Mrs Garrety and Mrs Lane were great in supporting my University applications and giving me excellent advice, hints and tips to get me ready for the University interviews. You need an expert understanding of the drugs and their effects but also skills in dealing with patients with complex needs." - Issy Tallis

At St Bart's we have a long record of supporting students into medicine through our Early Entrant Programme. However, if you are considering a career in the caring professions, remember there are so many exciting and important health routes other than the traditional medicine. This year, we have students choosing to pursue Paramedic Science, Pharmacy, Mental Health Nursing, Midwifery and Speech and Language Therapy.

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MAYOR'S CADET AWARD FOR MILLA

Newbury's Mayor-Elect, Cllr Andy Moore, was delighted to award Milla the Mayor's Cadet Award on Friday 17 May in school in the presence of Headteacher, Dr Fitter. Milla has been awarded the award for her outstanding contribution to the CCF at St Bart's and her contribution to the Newbury community. She was nominated for the Young Persons' Civic Award this year. Milla is highly active in her adventure training in the Newbury community. She has volunteered at the Waterside Centre for some time, where she has assisted in the accessible climbing sessions. She has volunteered at various community events, including the Newbury 10K.



Her duties will include supporting the Mayor in his attendance of various public events such as the Victoria Park Family Day, Michaelmas Fair, Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day.

Milla has recently successfully completed the 45 mile Ten Tors event on Dartmoor. This is yet another testament to her incredible teamwork, leadership and determination. She thoroughly deserves this Mayor's Cadet Award.

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AREOSPACE RESIDENCY FOR MADHUKAR

In March, BartholoNews encouraged students to consider applying for the STAAR (Summer Time Advanced Aerospace Residency) Programme 2024. This is a residential summer camp at which students will have the opportunity to experience flight simulators, drone flying, explore the world of engineering in aviation and engage with industry professionals. This will hopefully encourage them to study and take up careers in STEM-related fields.

We are delighted that Madhukar (9E3) will be one of only 40 Year 9 students in the whole of the UK taking part!

His application was supported by a reference from one of his science teachers, Ms Thomson, who says, *"This is a wonderful opportunity for Madhukar. To be chosen from a very strong field of 180 students is fantastic. We hope he will have an amazing time on this STAAR and we are looking forward to hearing all about it after the summer holidays."*



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BOOK DONATIONS

Having a clear out of books? Are they in good condition? Would they be suitable for our students aged 11-16? Please bring them into school and leave in the box in Reception and we will make sure they are offered to our school community to encourage an interest in reading, without any financial burden. [See page 11](#) for more information.

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PE

School Games Mark Gold Award

St Bart's achieves the School Games Mark Gold Award for the second year running which is an excellent achievement. This reflects our extensive and inclusive sporting opportunities for our students

The purpose of School Games Mark is to recognise and reward a schools engagement, provision and uptake in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active



Girls' Area Athletics Results

Congratulations to both the Junior Girls, Years 8 & 9, and the Inter Girls, Year 10, who took part in the recent Area Athletics competition at Palmer Park. There were some outstanding performances which culminated in two excellent overall team positions. The Junior Girls were placed 2nd out of 12 schools, with Downe House School winning, and in the Inter Girls we were placed 1st out of 11 schools.



Very well done to all athletes and thank you for your hard work and determination on the day.

Special mention goes to the following girls who having achieved 1st or 2nd place as an individual in their event and have now been selected to represent the County Championships on Saturday 8 June: Ffion Pritchard – long jump, Hazel Cook - discus, Beth Maclean - 800m, Isla Clare - 1500m, Olive Muir - 1500m. Good Luck to you all.

We look forward to bring you the boys' results after half term.

Girls' English Schools Track and Field Cup Athletics Competition

Congratulations to all girls in both the Junior and Inter girls' age groups who took part in this competition on Friday 10 May. All of you, without exception, were absolutely superb and we greatly appreciate all your hard work and effort during the day, especially having had the Area Athletics the previous day.



The results are very well deserved with some excellent team scores and some outstanding individual scores.

Inter girls' Results

3rd place out of 9 schools with a total of 361 points, narrowly missing out on second place to The Piggott School who scored 362 points and Downe House School in first place with 369 points, so very close indeed.

Congratulations to all team members, as every point counts towards the final score.

Special mention to the following girls: Beth Maclean - 800 and Javelin, where she achieved a PB of 29m 03 scored a massive 51 points from her 2 events which is outstanding, Ffion Pritchard - 1500m and long jump, scored a very impressive 42 points, Isla Clare - 1500m and Discus, 32points, Olive Muir - 800m and high jump, 29 points.

Junior Girls Results

3rd Place out of 9 schools with a total of 305 points, second place Queen Anne's 340 points and first place Downe House with 370 points.

Congratulations to all team members – a tremendous effort with some excellent scores.

Special mention to the following girls Anna Hall - 1500m and Javelin scored an outstanding 46 points, Jessie Mc Curtin 1500m and high jump scored a superb 42 points, Chloe Yorston - 300m and high jump scored a very impressive 35 points and Holly Franklin-Wilson - hurdles, 19 points, Emmeline Lloyd - 800m, 23 points. Both Holly and Emmeline competed in the relay in which they scored 17 points, which is only counted as one event.

A huge thank you to you all - you were outstanding and a pleasure to be with.

We look forward to bring you the boys' results after half term.

Year 9 Boys' Cricket vs Kennet

Well done to the Year 9 cricket team who won their first West Berkshire league fixture vs Kennet School this afternoon. Kennet batted first and scored 68 off their 75 balls then St Bart's batted and scored 109 runs of their 75 balls.

Players of the match were Pracket and Ram for their excellent bowling and Freddie for his batting. This was all three players' first cricket match for St Bart's! Well done to all involved.



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ALEX'S 'PHENOMENAL' ACHIEVEMENT

St Bart's are exceptionally proud of Alex (13E3) who took part in the [UK Chemistry Olympiad](#) and achieved the highest score in the country for a non-grammar/non-private school student. He is also in the top 35 in the country! In all, there were 15 students who took part in the Round 1 competition with 10 achieving certificates. [read more](#)



CALENDAR

Y10 Reports issued, Y11 & 12 Computing - Alumni Talk, Sixth Form House Rounders, Y11 Graduation P3 onwards (in timetabled lessons P1 & P2), Bank Holiday, Y13 Final Day of Teaching and Y13 Final Assembly and Parade.

CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES:

Virtual Surgical Theatre Operating Experience

VACANCIES:

Catering General Assistant

GOVERNOR VACANCIES:

Vacancies on St Bart's Governing Body

CURNOCK WIN HOUSE DRAMA:

The annual House Drama competition returned to our stage last week with the Houses battling it out to impress us with their productions!



YEAR 9 LEGOLAND TRIP:

On Friday 26 April, Year 9 Computing students went on an exciting trip to Legoland!

STUDENTS WITH RAZZAMATAZI:

Congratulations to St Bart's students Daniel, Robert and Jenna, who recently took part in Razzamataz Theatre Schools Seniors Next Steps.



RHODIUM READING CHALLENGE CHAMPIONS:

Congratulations to Year 9 students Jimmy and Chloe, who join the honour list of those to complete the St Bart's Rhodium Reading Challenge.



SASHA SHOWCASED:

We have entered a piece of art work by one of our students into the exhibition opening soon at The Base, Greenham.



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