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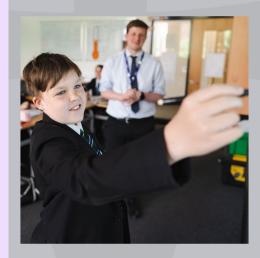
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Y9 House Dodgeball (K Released)	Wednesday 25 September	P2
Y12 & 13 Selected Maths Students - Olympiad for Girls	Wednesday 25 September	1.10-3.40pm
All Years - Cross Country Festival	Wednesday 25 September	St Gabriel's School, 4.00pm
Y7EP Outdoor Activity Day	Thursday 26 September	New Forest, All Day
Y13 Review - Parent Meeting	Thursday 26 September	Online, 5.30pm
UCAS grade deadline - early entrants	Friday 27 September	
CCF AT Weekend	Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 September	Dartmoor



Open Mornings 2024



Monday 30 September 2024 & Tuesday 1 October 2024

> 9.00am -10.45am



11A Geography Fieldwork Trip to Reading Town	Tuesday 1 October	Hall, 9.00am-3.45pm
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Y12 & 13 Senior Maths	Tuesday 1 October	P4 &5
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Y11B Geography Fieldwork Trip	Wednesday 2 October	Reading Town Centre, 9.00am-
		3.45pm
Whole School Harvest Assembly	Wednesday 2 October	
Cambodia Trip Parents' Information	Wednesday 2 October	Hall, 5.30pm
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View all school events in our online calendar. Click here to go straight there

KEY STAGE 3 AWARDS EVENING

Thursday 3 October 2024 at 6.30pm in the Hall



The Key Stage 3 Awards Evening is an opportunity to celebrate our students' achievements. We are looking forward to presenting the awards to this year's Year 10 on Thursday 3 October 2024 at 6.30pm.

An email has been sent to parents/carers of students receiving awards. All current Year 10 students and their parents are warmly invited to the event. Please respond through the <u>reply form</u>.

Miss Thorne Assistant Headteacher KS3 Achievement

Wear Blue for Berkshire Youth School Non-Uniform Day, Thursday 10 October

Students are invited to wear and item of blue or dress all in blue for just £1. All proceeds will go to Berkshire Youth to raise funds to operate more youth clubs in the community. Turn to page 11 for more information.

Wine and Cheese Evening

Friday 11 October at 7.00pm in the Hall

Don't forget to book tickets for the latest St Bart's PA Social at <u>www.stbartspa.co.uk</u>

Join fellow parents for an evening of cheese, wine tasting and a themed quiz. Tables of eight (book individually or as a team). Tickets are priced at £22pp or £15pp for non-drinkers and include a cheese platter, warm bread rolls, a glass of wine (optional), compered wine tasting and quiz. A PA Bar and Chego's wine tasting table will also be available and there will be prizes for the winning quiz team. Have a fun night out and support the school.



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Please buy tickets here: www.stbartspa.co.uk

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: Prosthetics and Orthotics Career Event

Tuesday 15 October 2024, 5.00 - 6.00pm. Students aged 14 years and up who are interested in design and STEM subjects are invited to join a Microsoft Teams event hosted by The British Association of Prosthetists and Orthotists (BAPO). Click here to register.

St Bart's Careers Education Programme is delivered through PSHE lessons, assemblies and a portfolio of careers events. <u>More information on the programme can be found on our website</u>. You will also find <u>Careers Guidance</u> and <u>Further Resources</u> on our website. In addition to information about how parents, carers and local businesses can <u>get involved</u> in our careers events.

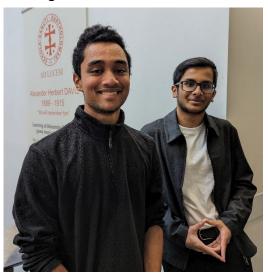
BPhO Computational Challenge 2024

Huge congratulations to Year 13 students Aayush Joshi and Sohaib Alam who have been awarded a prestigious Gold Award in the <u>BPhO Computational Challenge 2024.</u>

The BPhO encourages the study of physics and recognises excellence in young physicists through annual competitions. In order to compete for a Gold Award, Aayush and Sohaib attended a series of weekly online talks on Computational Physics given by Dr Andrew French of Winchester College. These sessions were held in

order to train and expose applicants to a range of areas of computational physics before the release of the competition and its theme in April.

This year's competition theme was on modelling projectile motion, with applicants completing nine different challenges in a programming language of their choice. Aayush and Sohaib chose C++ and began the first challenge by plotting the horizontal and vertical displacement calculated using suvat equations (A level Physics and Mathematics curriculum). Towards the end of the challenges, the students were using verlet integration to model bounces, as well as modelling the path of a projectile experiencing air resistance with different cross-sectional areas. This is extremely advanced physics and coding, and is a truly a fantastic achievement.



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DRAMA'S 'TWISTED TALES'



Box House Theatre company performed an amazing show of 'Twisted Tales' last Tuesday, which was fast paced, energetic and hilarious. Their workshop was informative and extremely useful for all students in Year 10-13 taking either GCSE or A Level Drama to understand different performance skills and ways to explore more physical focused performance styles, such as mime and physical

theatre. We got to know them as a company and built an understanding of their style, platform theatre.

> Max Lewis and Saffron Robinson, Year 13 Drama Reps



OLYMPIANS ATTEND ST BART'S YEAR 7 OPEN EVENING

Yesterday we were delighted to open our doors to the latest cohort of Year 6 and Year 5 students considering St Bart's as their chosen secondary school. The event is a wonderful showcase of all the school's achievements. We had a fantastic turn out from our local primary schools and it was great to see prospective students and their families discovering all the exciting opportunities on offer at St Bart's.

Dr Fitter, Headteacher, gave two talks in the school hall during the evening and our student tour guides were once again on hand to show visitors around the building and the many subject hubs,



including badge making with English, treasuring hunting with Maths, scratch game coding with Computer Science, mono printing with Art, the 'Tower Block Head Challenge' with 3D Design, explaining 'Big Questions' with Religious Studies, taking part in huge number of sports or a murder mystery with Drama – to name just



some of the array of activities happening throughout the evening.

A particular highlight was the PE department welcoming special guests Toby Garbett, retired Olympic Rower and Tri athlete and Becky Wilde, Paris 2024 Olympics Bronze Medallist in the Women's Double Skull. Toby and Becky were joined by our KS4 Living for Sport course students to encourage our young visitors to get involved with some fitness and team building skills. We are so grateful for their time and for inspiring our students.

Guests also enjoyed refreshments in the canteen and were entertained by our talented School Orchestra playing in the Hub.



We hope everyone who came had a positive experience and left us feeling excited about the step up to secondary school. The evening would simply not be possible without the hard work of all our staff and the support of the current students who played several roles on the night and made visitors so welcome. We thank them for being great ambassadors for the school.

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BARTS AT COUNTY SHOW

If you were at Newbury County Show this weekend, you may have seen our art exhibition in the Education tent. Primary and secondary schools from all over the area had set up a display and the theme this year was 'Environmental Art'.

We selected work that met the brief from 14 of our Fine Art, Textiles, Photography and Graphics students. Contributors were Alice, Danielle, Maddy, Gregor, Olivia, Eleanor, Lewis, Sarah and Sophie from our Sixth Form, Emma, Eleanor, Macey and Martha from GCSE and Penelope from Year 8.



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WELL DONE ELLA

Congratulations to Ella (13P1) who represented her pony club last Friday at Blenheim International Horse Trails. Ella and her horse jumped a brilliant round in the arena eventing 100 competition with an unlucky pole down to come 25th out of a 110 in the class.

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Year 7 Football

Our Year 7 girls took part in their first ever fixture at St Bart's last week. They played their first round of West Berkshire football league fixtures and did brilliantly! We put forward 21 girls in total, which was amazing to see, and we look forward to seeing them grow and develop into mini Lionesses.

Our A team won all their games without conceding, starting with a 3-0 win against St Gabriel's School. Freya, Sophia and Lily all scored. They then beat Theale Green School, 1-0, thanks to a winning goal from Molly. Finally they beat Park House School B, 2-0, with Freya and Elizabeth both scoring. A huge shout-out to Freya who was our goalkeeper but came out to take two free kicks and scored both! Unbelievable scenes.



Our B team also did us proud despite narrowly losing 1-0 to The Downs School and drawing 0-0 with Kennet



School A when we had chances to win the game. Well done to all involved!

The Year 9 girls supported by some Year 8 girls went to Trinity School for the first round of their West Berkshire Football League. Two teams of eager footballers took to the pitch and played some excellent football.

The A team won all 3 games beating St Gabriel's School A team, 2-0, Theale Green School, 6-0, and Park House School, 7-0.

The B team lost to Kennet School A team, 0-2, and lost to The Downs School, 0-2.

Very well done to you all, some great play by you all.

Year 9 Football



PE

1st XI cricket: ONA Report and Summer Review

With the county season rolling into its final, weather-affected week (Surrey having already won the title – again), it's about time belatedly to report on our match against the Old Newburians Association (ONA) last term, and some of our players' exploits



over the summer holidays.

This was the first ONA game when students who'd recently represented the school were able to turn out for the opposition, and it was great to welcome back Messrs Crouch, Greenwood, Delavere, Rutt and Butler, who have contributed so much to our endeavours lately. Unsurprisingly, under the avuncular, exacting eye of ONA captain and Falkland supremo Graham Beal, they raised their fielding levels to new heights (!) in a low-scoring but competitive game that the alumnae eventually won by four wickets.



School captain, Seb, strode out to bat averaging over 50 for us this season, so it was inevitable that the curse of the opening batters that has beset this fixture for the past three years would strike now. Callum Johnson duly had him caught behind for a duck, but the quality of Seb's batting has never been in doubt, exemplified by the fact that he averaged over 40 in his first full season for Falkland men's 1st XI this year. With runs proving hard to come by, St Bart's made it to 36-3 off 10 overs before talismanic allrounder Jimmy took the initiative. One huge six landed on the balcony of The Bowler's Arms, and eventually he found a willing accomplice in Year 10 student, Ray. Together, their partnership of 45 saw the school scamper to a respectable 106-5 at the close.

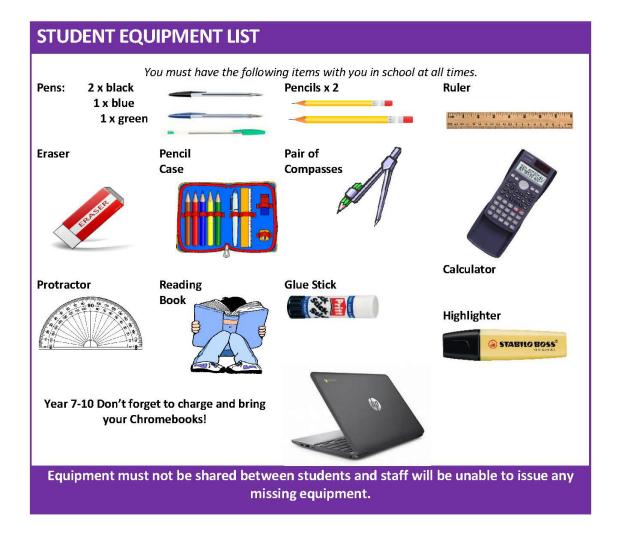
In reply, Charlie Mabbatt and James Bloodworth dispelled that openers' curse (no individual on either side had previously made more than four) by putting on 29 before attack leader Tom (then Y12) bowled Charlie with an

absolute pearler. James went on to make 29 before Nikhil had him caught, the first of two wickets for the seamer that reminded us that cricket's loss has been Further Maths' gain. The unassuming wicket machine

known as former Year 9, Yudeesh, then snaffled two in two overs – and an unlikely upset was almost on the cards until Johnson joined Matt Richardson and wise (oldish) heads carried the ONA to victory in the 15th. Thanks, as ever, to the ONA's Tricia Ray for arranging the food and drink, and to Edan Camplin for organising the ONA side and sharing the umpiring duties.

In other news, it was brilliant to hear that, on the very day of the ONA game, Edan's sister, Poppy, scored her first century (for Berkshire against Oxfordshire). She then enjoyed a successful summer with the Southern Vipers Emerging Player Programme and, in concert with another Y12, Ellie, helped to win the U19 girls' league for Falkland. Year 10 Ava hit 58 not out for the adult women's 1st team at Falkland this season, and another centurion was Year 10 Ray for his Saturday club. For all his various teams, Year 10 Leo reckons he has amassed more than 2,000 runs in total this year, and he was selected alongside Soorya for a Middlesex sojourn up north that meant they missed the ONA game. Both distinguished themselves with 50s on tour, and as, with everyone who represented the school in 2024, they can look back with pride on their achievements and the way that they have played and conducted themselves. We salute our departing Year 13s, Harrison, Alex and Ani, and trust they'll keep in touch. As for the future, let's hope the weather is kind after exams in 2025!

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All proceeds will go to Berkshire Youth to raise funds to operate more youth clubs in the community

Thank you for your support

- Though we are celebrating and supporting the work of Berkshire Youth, the day is still a normal working day in a working environment and we respectfully ask for you to dress accordingly.
- We do not welcome ripped jeans or clothes with slogans, nor do we welcome any high heel / platform shoes, or cropped tops which leaves skin exposed, both for H&S reasons in science labs, cooking facilities and D&T workshops.
- We do welcome clothes that would be acceptable if you were allowed to wear casual clothes for example, in a Saturday, or after school job.
- If in doubt as to what this means, please check with your tutor, or another staff member first, as you may be asked to change into uniform if your school think your clothes are unsuitable for a working school day



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