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"Our school trip to Shepton Mallet Prison was a perfect blend of education and eerie excitement. As soon as we stepped inside, the imposing walls and dimly lit corridors set the tone for a day. The tour guides were fantastic, sharing captivating stories that brought the prison's 400-



year-old past to life. From tales of notorious criminals to the prison's role in World War II, every corner of the prison seemed to hold a secret.

One of the highlights for the students was seeing the old cells. The sheer size of them, cold and bare, gave us all a real sense of how tough life must have been for prisoners. The execution room and the graffiti left by inmates made it even more impactful—there was an air of both fear and mystery that got everyone talking.

Overall, the trip to Shepton

Mallet was a brilliant way to bring the history of crime to life outside the classroom. It offered a blend of fascinating facts, gripping stories, and a bit of an eerie thrill that left everyone buzzing with excitement on the ride home. Definitely a trip to remember!"

Aimee Walker (12P2)



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Calendar

Y12 PE & Sport Trip	Wednesday 16 October	Bath University, 8.30am-4.00pm
Y13 EPQ Showcase	Wednesday 16 October	Hall, after school
French Immersion Trip - Parent Information Evening	Wednesday 16 October	WCC, 5.30 – 6.30pm
Train to Teach Online Session Online	Thursday 17 October	6.00-7.00pm. See page 9
Y11 CCF Field Day	Friday 18 October	
Y11 CCF Army Night Ex	Friday 18 and Saturday 19 October	
UCAS deadline for student submission	Monday 21 October	
House Music Rehearsal	Monday 21 October	Hall, all day
Y12/Y13 Psychology Trip to Marwell Zoo	Tuesday 22 October	8.30am-4.00pm

House Music	Tuesday 22 October	Hall, 6.30pm. Tickets on ParentPay
Y10 Textiles Trip - Bournemouth Aquarium	Wednesday 23 October	9.00am-3.00pm
Y10 Navy CCF Field Day	Wednesday 23 October	All day
Davis non-school uniform day	Thursday 24 October	
Sixth Form dismissed Home Study	Thursday 24 October	2.10pm
Sixth Form Open Evening for September 2025 entry	Thursday 24 October	5.30-8.00pm. See below

Friday 25 October - Staff Training & Development Day
School not open to students

Half Term	Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November	
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[View all school events in our online calendar. Click here to go straight there](#)

ST BART'S
SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

- Thursday 24 October 2024
- 5.30pm-8.00pm
- St Bartholomew's School, Newbury
- stbarts.co.uk

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: KPMG Virtual Application Support Session

18 November at 6.00pm. A special session designed to support students considering and applying for apprenticeships with KPMG, a global network of professional firms offering audit, tax and advisory services. For students, teachers, parents and carers. [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 [Careers Guidance](#) and [Further Resources](#) on our website. In addition to information about how parents, carers and local businesses can [get involved](#) in our careers events.

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CHINESE MEAL TRIP

As part of the cultural enrichment programme, our students studying Chinese had the chance to visit the Kung Fu Oriental Buffet in Newbury to enjoy a meal together. Everyone had a great time. Some of the Year 7 students from Hong Kong, were kind enough to demonstrate to us how to hold chopsticks correctly.



Alice Rumens (8E1) said, *“I really enjoyed the trip to Kung Fu. My favourite foods were the sushi and lychees, which hadn’t tried before. We played games and quizzes and I like learning about the different Chinese cities. Thanks to Mrs Wood for organising this for us.”*

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BRITISH LIBRARY TRIP

Our English Language A Level trip headed to the prestigious British Library in London with a group of 30 students, some already studying the subject in Year 12 and 13, others being given a preview of it in Year 11. Although the drive was long, it was worth it for the interesting lesson in the rich variety of dialects, local terminology and accents across the UK. We discovered, in particular, that Newbury is a traditional crossroads for different ways of pronouncing the “bath vowel”, though there evidently weren’t many old farmers in our party. After the library, the excursion continued to the former house and now museum of Dr Samuel Johnson, 18th century England’s “most distinguished man of letter”, for a special guided tour about his legacy in the study and standardisation of language through his famous dictionary. The museum was full of surprises, not least the vision of Mr Horn in the trappings of Georgian maid. He thought it suited him very well. Each to their own!



Gus Bamber-Klepfer, (12D2)

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RHODIUM READING CHALLENGE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Year 9 students Divi and Izzy who have both completed the St Bart's Reading Challenge. In order to join the honour roll of those who have achieved this milestone, Divi and Izzy both read at least 57 books across the five challenges in order to complete the final Rhodium Award - an amazing achievement!

In recognition of this impressive dedication to reading, both girls were congratulated by Dr Fitter, Headteacher, and Mrs Hewetson, St Bart's Librarian. Mrs Hewetson also enjoyed compiling a hamper of goodies for Divi and Izzy, including books, stationary, treats and their rare Rhodium Badge to be worn with pride.



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YEAR 7 ST BART'S CONKER CHAMPIONSHIP

Get ready for some cracking fun as we host our first-ever Conker Championship at the school – and it's all for a great cause! For just £1 per go, you'll be able to represent your House and compete to be the conker conqueror, with all proceeds going towards restoring our school's beautiful nature reserve. Every obliterated conker will help bring our outdoor space back to life!



The competition will be between Houses, so there's even more reason to bring your best game! We will be providing all conkers to keep things fair, and health and safety procedures will be in place to ensure everyone has a safe and enjoyable time. At the end of the tournament, there will be an overall House winner, and an exciting prize for the top conker champion. To help us prepare enough conkers for everyone, please fill out [this registration form](#).

This year, the competition is just open to Year 7's, but next year will be open to other years.

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WEARING BLUE FOR BERKSHIRE YOUTH

[Berkshire Youth](#) delivers targeted support to young people in order to develop resilience and self-confidence. Last Thursday, St Bart's were delighted to 'Wear Blue for Berkshire Youth' in order to support the charity's efforts to fundraise for additional activities and enriching opportunities for young people in our community. Our non-school uniform day raised the fantastic total of £1,839.72. Thank you to all in the St Bart's students, staff and families who supported this effort, we hope it makes a difference to this amazing organisation. You can read more about [Student Wellbeing](#) at St Bart's on our website.



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FREE PERIOD PRODUCTS

Each year, St Bart's receives a grant from the Government to purchase sanitary products for our students. We have a fantastic variety and supply of products that we are keen to distribute to our students. The ultimate aim is for **provide our students with enough products to prevent them from ever having to purchase their own**. Students can collect as many products as they would like from their tutor, House Office, or from Mrs Cordiner and Miss Thorne in P033; we have a variety of disposable and reusable products.

We have recently installed four dispensers around the school to enable students to take products as and when they need them. These dispensers can be found in the Library, Sixth Form, PE and Dance changing rooms.



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PE

Year 7 Football



In wet and windy conditions, our Year 7 girls played their 2nd round of West Berkshire league fixtures. The weather started off bright but soon turned to torrential rain which impacted the football being played massively. As the astro was so wet, the ball didn't stay in play much! Our A team played two games, drawing both, 0-0, against Trinity School and Kennet School B. Our B team lost 3-1 to The Willink School and then battled to two 0-0 draws against Kennet School A and St Gabriel's School B. Well done to all girls who braved the weather conditions and did their best!



Year 9 Football

Well done to the Year 8 and 9 girls' football players who took part in the Year 9 girls' West Berkshire league last week. The results were: A team v Kennet School B, 0-0. B team v The Willink School, 0-0. Team A v Trinity School, 0-0 and The B team v Park House School we lost. 1-0. Some great football was played by both teams. Well done to all who played.



U18 Football



Team Broncho also had a successful evening, starting with a commanding 3-0 win over St Gabriel's School. They then battled to a 1-1 draw against The Downs School, showing excellent defensive resilience. In their final game, Broncho's edged a narrow 1-0 victory against John O'Gaunt School, completing a strong set of results.

The U18 girls, Team Tornadoes and Team Broncho, kicked off their first round of league fixtures with strong performances across the board.

Tornadoes had a solid start, winning their first match 2-1 against The Downs School. They continued with a hard-fought 0-0 draw against a resilient Kennet School A side, before finishing the night with an impressive 3-0 victory over Park House School.



Year 9 Rugby

The Year 9 rugby team travelled to Kennet School to play their first match of the season. At half time the scores were close, two tries a piece, Kennet leading by one conversion 14-12. The boys played really well, all 21 players playing at least a half of the match, showing the depth in the squad. The final score was 33-12 to Kennet, the scoreline not reflecting the closeness of the match. Tries were scored by Oscar Edwards and Oscar Hook, and the conversion kicked by captain Johnny Cahoon. Player of the match was Oscar Edwards.



Netball

45 girls represented the school across four teams, playing lots of netball against Park House School. The games were friendlies, so all the girls had lots of court time and played in a variety of positions, it was a fun, friendly atmosphere. Huge thanks to Hannah, Amelia, Lucy and Beth for umpiring - we wouldn't be able to hold these fixtures without you.

Players of the matches:

Year 7: Elizabeth and Katie

Year 10: Mariella

Year 8: Summer and Liv

Year 9: Holly and Ellie



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ST BART'S SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

DATE & TIME



Thursday 24 October 2024



5.30pm-8.00pm



St Bartholomew's School
Newbury

Join us and discover all St Bart's Sixth Form has to offer you. Explore the huge range of subjects, meet our team and hear from our Heads of Sixth Form, speak to current students, and learn more about Sixth Form life.

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