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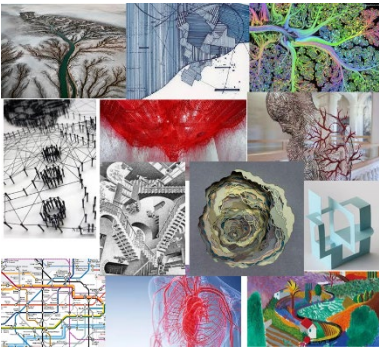
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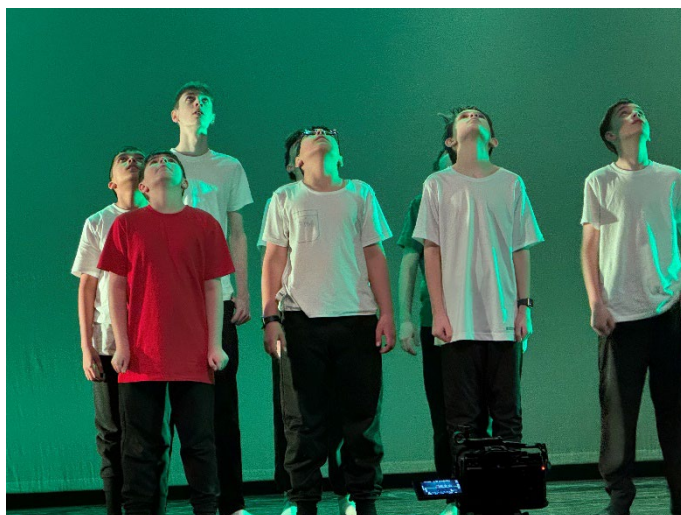
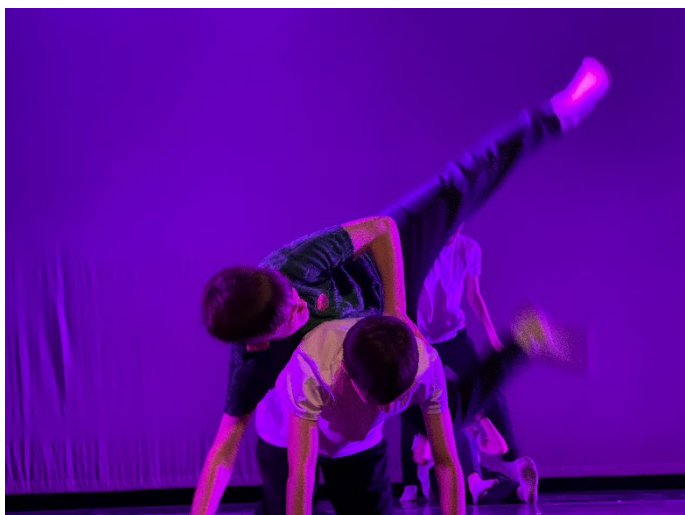
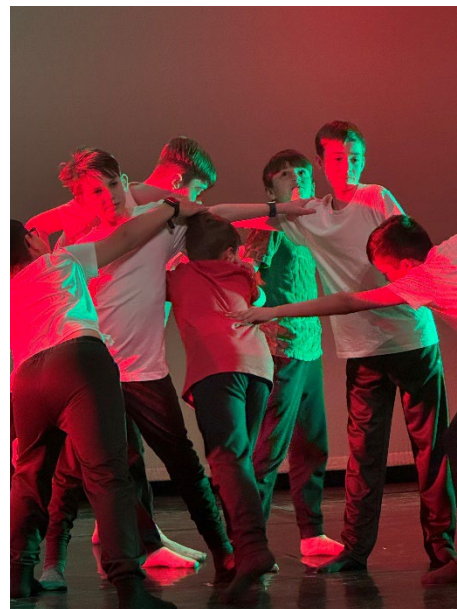
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All of the boys worked extremely hard over the last few months and it was a pleasure to watch them perform. A massive well done to ; Caleb Rees, Joe Langdon, Tom Merchant, Akshansh Gupta, Cedric Roberson, Nick Calin, Codie Evans and Jimmy Ashton.

Mrs Hoult (Head of Dance)

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Calendar

Y8 Parents' Curriculum Information Meeting	Wednesday 12 March	6.30pm, Remote
Y10 CCF Field Day (Army/RAF)	Wednesday 12 March	8.30am-4.00pm
Y11 DofE Silver Expedition - Canoeing	Friday 14 March – Sunday 16 March	6.00pm
Y12 Young Enterprise Trade Fair	Saturday 15 March	Oxford, 8.30am-5.15pm
Ten Tors Sunday Walk 5	Sunday 16 March	Newbury area, 8.30am-5.00pm
National German Week Events	Monday 17 March	See page 4
Y12 Geography Trip - Stratford Field Study Centre	Tuesday 18 March	Stratford, 8.00am-5.00pm
Y7 and 8 Girls' House Lacrosse	Tuesday 18 March	P3 & 4
Y7 and 8 Boys' House Basketball	Tuesday 18 March	P3 & 4
Y12 Reports issued	Wednesday 19 March	
Y9 Girls' House Lacrosse	Wednesday 19 March	P2
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KS5 Destinations Fair	Wednesday 19 March	Hall, 8.15am-12.10pm
Y11 External Interviews	Wednesday 19 March	WCC/RR, 3.30 – 6.30pm

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

Comic Relief Red Nose Day on Friday 21 March

Friday 21 March will be a Non School Uniform Day at St Bart's and we would like to encourage everyone in our school community to give a [donation](#) to help us raise as much money as possible for this annual fundraising event.

The PE Department is also organising something 'funny for money' with House Staff Netball on the MUGA during activity time on Friday 21 March. Students will be welcome to watch the staff battle it out (!) and we will have buckets for donations, so send your child in with some change.

Not to be outdone, our Houses are organising a joint cake sale at break time – please bring your yummy bakes into your House office on the morning of Friday 21 and together we can all raise a great sum to help transform lives.

Comic Relief is a UK charity which aims to create a just world, free from poverty. The money raised is used to transform lives in the UK and around the world.

- **£10** could provide a day of meals and activities for a child during the school holidays in the UK
- **£50** could help to provide a young person living in poverty in Zambia with lessons on CV writing and employability skills, helping them to find long-term independence



- **£200** could establish a peer support group for a kinship carer to gain a local support network and companionship in the UK.

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE WEEKS

The Experience Weeks are for students who are interested in pursuing a career in healthcare in the future. Year 12 & 13 students: 23 – 27 June 2025. Year 10 & 11 students: 1 – 3 July 2025. Hosted on the Whiteknights Campus of the University of Reading. For more information email healthreach@reading.ac.uk.

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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NATIONAL GERMAN WEEK

17-21 March 2025

Next week, St Bart's will be taking part in an exciting national initiative by The German Embassy, the Goethe Institut in the UK and the DAAD to promote the German language in the UK! Our German department has registered with the Goethe Institut to back this promotion and we have a full week of activities on offer.

Whole school events include the Oxford Translation Exchange competition, a whole school quiz with questions for all subject areas about all things German, a library display of German books and magazines as well as the Film Society (3.10pm on Tuesdays) showing of "Lola Rennt" in German with subtitles.

For students learning German there is a Goethe Institut quiz on German cities and areas, a display on careers utilising German and the start of an exciting new KS3 German lunchtime club in addition to events each activity time! There is also a German poetry competition to coincide with National Poetry Day on 21 March, with prizes to be won. Several classes will also have guest speakers!

Deutsch macht Spaß!

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**ST BART'S GERMAN WEEK
ACTIVITIES FOR ALL**

- GERMAN BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY**
- MORNING PUZZLES IN GERMAN**
- ST BART'S FILM CLUB: LOLA RENNT**
TUESDAY, 3:30 PM
- GUEST SPEAKERS IN LESSONS**
- QUIZ CHALLENGES!**
- AROUND SCHOOL:**
- FIND YELLOW QUIZ QUESTIONS**
- MFL DEPT: GOETHE INSTITUT**
- "PLACES IN GERMANY" POSTER QUIZ**
- QUIZ SHEETS IN MFL OFFICE**
- PRIZES: GET INVOLVED & WIN!**

POETRY LIVE

The English Faculty recently took some Year 11 students to 'Poetry Live', an annual event aimed at supporting GCSE students with their study of the poems that they will be assessed on at the end of this academic year. Students heard poets speaking about their poems and other poems in the cluster.



Students who went said, *"The trip to Poetry Live! Is an absolute must. Seeing the poets and listening to the poetry live really helped with our GCSE course and gave us a better understanding of the poems and the poet's intentions. The Unseen Poetry run-through was very useful and gave us a good insight into how an exam board would grade our work and how to analyse unseen poems."*

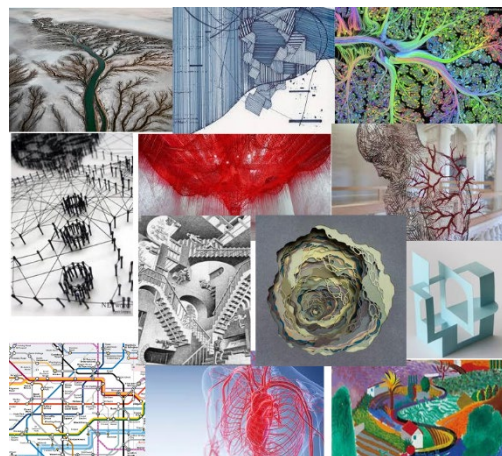
Freddie, Will and Aly (11P3)

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HOUSE ART 2025

The annual House Art Competition is an important element of the House Championship and a chance for all students to shine a light on their creative talents! All year groups are invited to create an art piece to be entered based on the theme of 'Networks'.

Information about this event, timings and guidelines should have been explained during your Art, Graphics and Textile lessons. Do approach your teachers or come to the Art office to find out more. The winning works will be judged and displayed during the Expressive Arts showcase event during the Summer Term. Points awarded will contribute to the House Championship Competition. Happy Creating! The deadline for submission is Tuesday 22 April.



More information can also be found [on our website](#).

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DEVELOPING CAREER AWARENESS

In recent weeks, students have had lots of additional opportunities to explore possible future pathways, with St Bart's celebrating both National Apprenticeship Week and National Careers Week. Both weeks are a nationwide celebration of the importance of supporting young people to develop awareness around careers, and employers to develop a workforce with future-ready skills.

As reported in earlier BartholoNews, St Bart's ran a number of events to coincide with these campaigns. Well done to all the students who took advantage of the competitions on offer and the information



posters and resources displayed around the school. With particular thanks to our Careers Adviser, Charlotte, and Oscar van Zijl from PathwayCTM careers support service, who specialises in helping students into apprenticeships; both held a drop in session for all students in the library. PathwayCTM will also delivered an information session to our Year 12 as part of their enrichment programme, which will be shortly followed by next week's Year 12 Destinations Fair.



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Congratulations to Klenam Agodzo (9P1), who won our Apprenticeship Week Quiz and to Sai Bhavik Bayyana (7C1) and Gamy Bayyana (10C3) who was the winner of our Careers Week Quiz.

MFL POSTER COMPETITION WINNERS!

In Years 7, 8 and 9, Languages students were given the challenge of finding out about some cultural elements of their respective languages and where they are spoken. We feel it is so important that the students are aware that our main MFL languages are not just spoken in France, Germany and Spain and that we help students develop an understanding and empathy for the wide variety of cultures represented in each of the countries chosen. After completing their research, students had to create a poster to highlight key information. The results proved to be some beautiful presentations of the variety of towns and countries where the languages are spoken.

Our wonderful Foreign Language Assistants, Killian, Nele and Aitana, chose their favourites and decided on overall winners. We are delighted to acknowledge the work of the overall winners and want to say a big thank you to all students who took part. Here are some of the winners and posters. Well done all!

Winners:

Y7 French	Bhavik with France
Y7 German	Suraiya with Switzerland
Y8 French	Livi with Lyon
Y8 German	Rafferty with Germany
Y8 Spanish	Alesha with Argentina
Y9 Spanish	Sam with Zaragoza



WELL DONE JESS!



Congratulations to Jess (7C1) who has received a medal at her swimming club in Tadley for swimming 600 metres in one session. Students were challenged to swim 100m as part of their 'Distance Week' but Jess decided to go the extra mile... or 500! Jess says, "It was tiring but good. Next time I want to swim even further!"

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CONGRATULATIONS LOTTIE

Congratulations to Lottie, who has been selected to play football for Berkshire Schools FA U14 Girls. She played a county match last week as captain! The Berkshire team played Oxfordshire in a tough league match winning 2-1 after going a goal down. Well done Lottie! We look forward to hearing more about your successes.



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There is a large amount of lost property items on display in the reception area. This includes coats, blazers, shoes, trainers, water bottles, pencil cases, laptop cases, and sportswear.

There is also a lot of jewellery, keys, and a pair of headphones. These items are kept separately, and you will need to come and ask reception and be prepared to provide a description of your lost item.

Items will be on display until Wednesday, 19 March 2025. After that time, items will be recycled or donated to the PA Uniform Shop.



The sports bag on the right belongs to a Year 7 or 8 girl in Davis

House. It also contains something of value, which, if it is yours, you will be able to describe.



The PE bag shown on the left belongs to a Year 7 or 8 girl in Curnock House. The bag has a distinctive logo on the front.



PE

Year 7 Football

The Year 7 Boys' football team travelled to John O'Gaunt School to play their last two league matches.

The first match v Kennet School was close and ended as a 1-1 draw.

In the second match, Park House School went ahead 3-1 in the second half, but St Bart's came back with a goal in the last play of the game to make it 3-2 to Park House.

Some highlights included a brilliant left-footed volleyed goal by that Natanael Szewczyk, following an excellent cross from the right wing from Ryan Anouar, and one particular super save from Dan Powell in goal.

Players of the match were Ethan Haste for his defence in the Kennet match, and Natanael Szewczyk for doing a good job as captain and also scoring two goals. Leo Bodin scored the second goal in the Park House match following an excellent ball over the top from goalkeeper Saukhyam Kangutkar.

Year 11 Football

The Year 11 Boys football team lost to the Downs School 3-0 on Wednesday afternoon. Despite conceding early on, we continued to give 100% until the final whistle. We look forward to improving the performance in a few weeks' time against Trinity and JOG. Well done to all involved.

England National Schools Lacrosse Tournament 2025

Team - Alice Johnstone, Annabel Maclean, Bethany Maclean, Charlotte McDonald, Clara Horwood, Chloe Barlow, Ellie Upton, Francesca Parsons, Hannah Bosley, Imogen Duly, Imogen Moon, India Duly, Izzy John, Jo Winchester, Katya Burgess, Matilda Russell, Sophie Livingstone.

On Saturday and Sunday, St Bart's entered the U19A National Schools Lacrosse Tournament, with the girls showing **skill, determination, and teamwork** against some of the best school lacrosse teams in the country. The team had a strong day one, facing a mix of challenging opposition. With excellent play they finished the day with two wins, two losses and one draw. This performance secured a well-earned place in Division One for the second day of the competition.

Competing at the highest level, we faced tough matches against Fettes and Benenden, narrowly losing 1-0 and 3-2 respectively. Despite these results, the team showed resilience and tactical discipline, earning a spot in the last 16.

In the knockout round, we took an early lead against a very strong Putney side, demonstrating great teamwork and attacking play. However, in a tense and hard-fought contest, Putney managed to turn the game around in the final minutes, with our team eventually falling to a 2-1 defeat.

Throughout the tournament, the team was led by excellent captaincy from India Duly and Sophie Livingstone, who both showed outstanding leadership, composure and determination on and off the field. Thank you to all those involved for two amazing days of Lacrosse.



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