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Following the news that seven of our Year 13 students have received offers to study at either Cambridge or Oxford University, we are also celebrating three offers made to students on highly competitive medicine courses. This follows months of hard work and study to complete competitive entry tests and interviews. Angel Nwokporo and Gen Brown have both received offers to study medicine from the University of Nottingham, whilst Samuel White has been received two offers — one from the University of Birmingham and one from



Sheffield University. Huge congratulations to all three students.

Angel, Gen and Sam are not the only students who have been successful in taking the next step in pursuing a career in our healthcare services. Vaibavi Lakshmi Narayanan, Dawud Mehdi, Lily Pho, Fatou Diallo and Issy Tallis are all celebrating offers for Pharmacy at their university of choice. Lucy Hicklin has received offers from the University of Plymouth and University of Southampton to study Midwifery. Ryan Cheng is looking to study Physiotherapy at Brunel University. Daniel Newman has been made three offers for placements to study Radiography, whilst Tara Fitzgerald has four offers for Optometry, and Jemima Cutts has five offers for Speech and Language Therapy. Finally, Imogen Conington plans to study Paramedic Science at the University of Lincoln.

We all experience the healthcare industry at some point in our life. It is an industry that faces many different challenges, but it can also be one of the most rewarding career choices students can make, offering the opportunity to make a real difference to people's lives, and to be at the forefront of innovation and technology.

Mr Owen, Co-Head of Sixth Form, said: "We are delighted that it has been another great year for Sixth Form



applications to some of the UK's most sought-after universities and courses. It is very uplifting that so many of our very able students are choosing healthcare courses. Not only will they gain medical knowledge, they will further build their range of important transferable soft skills in communication, critical thinking, empathy and problem solving. This pathway offers excellent graduate employability rates because there will always be a huge demand for these skills and experience. I wish them all the best of success with their exams and beyond. Their hard work is already paying off and we have no doubt they will go on to great things."

We asked two of our students why they have chosen a healthcare route. Isaac (13E1) said, "I want to make the world a better place through my work. I believe that it is meaningful to make a difference for people to get through their unique challenges, which motivated me to pursue my career."

Sam (13P3) said, "I have chosen medicine because of the combination of my interests in science and the desire to help people. Also, medicine has an exciting future which will be great to be a part of."

Calendar

Y12 & Y13 History/German Trip to Berlin	Wednesday 2 April	Returns Saturday 5 April
Spring Equinox Dance Show	Wednesday 2 April	7.00pm
Y8-11 Football Tour to Munich, Germany	Thursday 3 April	Returns Monday 7 April
Y10-Y13 CCF Easter Adventure Training	Friday 4 April	Returns 12.30pm, Thursday 10 April

Friday 4 April - End of Term - school day finishes 12.30pm

Tuesday 22 April - Student Term Begins			
Y11/Y13 Year Group Photographs	Tuesday 22 April	12.10pm start	
Y12 UCAS Trip to Farnborough	Friday 25 April		
Y10/Y12 Ten Tors Training/Selection - Dartmoor	Friday 25, Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 April	Leaves 1.00pm, Friday Returns 7.00pm, Sunday	

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

Save the Date for Prom! Year 11 – Tuesday 24 June

Year 13 – Friday 20 June

As you can see, 'Prom Season' is fast approaching. We're aware that this is potentially a costly activity for many families, so we're bringing you a series of tips for those planning to go to the Prom on a budget!

If you're hiring a limo or party bus, share it (and the cost) with as many friends as possible, as they tend to have lots of seats. An even cheaper option is to decorate a regular car, e.g. with fairy lights inside, ribbons outside, etc.

Please do get in touch with us at bartholonews@stbarts.co.uk if you can help with more tips.

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: Lloyds Banking Group Virtual Work Experience

Two online sessions with Lloyds Banking Group are open to students during the Easter holidays.

Business, Tuesday 8 April & Wednesday 9 April, 10.00am - 2.00pm

Learn practical business skills, take part in projects and master corporate applications. Apply here.

Technology and Data, Tuesday 15 & Wednesday 16 April, 10.00am - 2.00pm

Learn the basics of data, lots of activities using Excel or Google Sheets - manipulate data, present results and analyse complex data. Apply 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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GOVERNOR VACANCY

St Bartholomew's School Governing Body is looking for new Governors to enhance their team.

- Are you passionate about education?
- Do you have skills and experience in finance?
- Are you enthusiastic, confident and able to work collaboratively?
- Can you commit to three or four evening meetings per term, plus an occasional daytime visit?

If so, why not join our team of volunteers and make a valued contribution to school life.

The Governing Body sets the strategic direction and ensures the educational performance, management and financial health of St Bartholomew's School.

You don't need to be a St Bart's parent to be one of our Governors – we welcome applications from a range of people in the local community.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Governor at St Bart's, please contact the Clerk to the Governors, Abi Layton at alayton@stbarts.co.uk or leave a message at St Bart's Reception on 01635 521255 by 9.00am on Monday 28 April

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

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ST BART'S AT GREENFEST: CELEBRATING SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION

With <u>GreenFest</u> just days away, excitement is building as St Bart's finalises preparations for the three stalls we'll be showcasing at this year's event. Our students have been hard at work, and we can't wait to share our sustainability initiatives with the wider community.

First up, we have our **Kintsugi Stall**, inspired by the Japanese philosophy that celebrates the beauty in broken things by repairing them with care. Our students have embraced this ethos by creating and selling unique Kintsugirepaired china, demonstrating how restoration can be both sustainable and artistic. A selection of these pieces will be on display and available for purchase.

Next, our **Guardians of the Living Realm** (the dedicated team responsible for documenting and protecting the diverse wildlife on our school site) will be showcasing their work. Visitors can watch exclusive footage of the many species





we share our space with, including **Socks the Fox, Brian May the Badger, Owlivia Hooton-John, and Philip the Hedgehog**. To support our **Nature Reserve Restoration Project**, we'll also be selling custom pin badges featuring our beloved school wildlife.

Finally, we're proud to be represented by **Clean-Cut**, a student-led company dedicated to sustainable craftsmanship. Fresh from their recent "Best Overall Company" award at the Young Enterprise trade fair, Clean-Cut will be selling their beautifully upcycled **glasses and coasters**, ensuring that every piece of leftover glass finds a purpose—zero waste, maximum creativity!

Charlie Gale, Clean-Cut Company Member, said, "we're looking forward to attending GreenFest. It is a great opportunity to showcase our up-cycled glasses and coasters. We have been working hard over the past few weeks to produce our glasses, using the left-over glass to create coasters, therefore ensuring no waste in our production process. We are excited to engage with

Make sure to visit our stalls, support these fantastic student initiatives and be part of an event that celebrates creativity, community and environmental action. See you at <u>GreenFest</u> this Saturday!

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MR KING'S BENCH

On Thursday 20 March, a bench honouring the name of former history teacher, John King, was delivered to the School. Former students of St Bart's, Andrew Cadwell, David Pearson, Robert Fidler and Richard Gray thought so highly of John as the teacher who 'inspired so many' as the plaque reads, that they created a Just Giving Page and raised over £1000 in his name. With the money they bought two beautiful benches; one to stand in the School's Heritage Garden and the other to be presented to East Woodhay Cricket Club where Mr King was President for many years

Pictured are the four former students responsible for creating this splendid memorial for a truly inspirational teacher.



Standing left to right: Richard Gray and Andrew Cadwell.
Seated left to right: David Pearson and Robert Fidler

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HOUSE ART 2025

Remember that the House Art Competition is now open! The Easter holidays are the perfect opportunity to perfect your piece for this important element of the House Championship!

All year groups are invited to create an art piece to be entered, based on the theme of 'Networks'. Talk to 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 in 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.





ENGLAND SUCCESS FOR NEVE

Congratulations to Neve (12C3) who was part of the England Netball team to win the Netball Europe U17 tournament in Belfast! The team were unbeaten against UAE, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland, earning Neve her 8th cap for England in a team of mostly new players. What a fantastic result!

You can read more about the tournament on the <u>England Netball</u> website.

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CHLOE AT CRUFTS!

Following on from Flo's amazing success at Crufts dog competitions, we have discovered that another student, Chloe (10C3), also took part. This was the fourth year that Chloe has competed at the dog show, achieving the best results yet.

Chloe and dog Woody came 13th overall in the Agility Dog of the Year. This also includes a 2nd in the semi-final. What an outstanding achievement for Chloe. Well done!

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PE

Year 7 Football County Cup Semi Final

Congratulations to the Year 7 boys' football team who represented the school in the Berkshire County Cup Semi Final v Little Heath School.

The match was a very close one between two very good sides. Little Heath went ahead with two very well taken early goal opportunities. St Bart's came back in the second half with an excellent team goal, and for a long time it looked as though the game could go either way. Little Heath scored again



directly from a corner in the last part of the match, and the final score was St Bart's 1 - Little Heath 3.

Players of the match (holding match balls) were centre back, Freddie Dancey, for his excellent defence, and centre midfielder and captain, Baxter Finch, for his work rate in the middle of the pitch and leading by example.

The boys should be extremely proud of finishing in the last four in the county in their first year at St Bart's. The future of football looks bright.

Year 8 Football - West Berkshire Champions!

The Year 8 Football team kept the unbeaten run going with matches against John O'Gaunt School and Trinity



School. St Bart's won their first match against John O'Gaunt, 5 -2. Goals were scored by Tommy (x2), Adam, Evan and Zach. St Bart's then played their final league match of the season against Trinity, which was a well contested game that finished 1-1. The goal was scored by Adam. Player of the afternoon was awarded to Tom for his great defending throughout both games. This means that St Bart's are West Berkshire league champions, winning four matches and drawing one! Well done to all students who have played their part in the football season so far.

Year 8 boys also won the 3rd round of the County Cup, 9-1 against Furze Platt Senior School. St Bart's started the game well taking an early lead. The strong start continued until half time with the score 6-0 going into the break. The start of the second half was more evenly contested with Furze Platt scoring the first goal of the half. However, St Bart's regained control and scored three more goals to win the match 9-1. Goals were scored by Tommy (x3), Adam (x2), Zach, Alex, Evan and Tyler. Player of the match was awarded to Adam for his constant pressing and for scoring two goals.



Well done to all involved.

Year 9 Boys' Football Team Shine in Brilliant Season

The Year 9 boys' football team have had an outstanding season so far, securing three crucial victories in the last three games of the season and showing incredible progress from last year.

The season began with a dominant 3-0 victory over The Downs School, where the team displayed great composure and teamwork. A strong defensive performance ensured a clean sheet, while the attacking players showed their quality with three well-worked goals.

Momentum continued in their next fixture against John O' Gaunt School, where the team delivered a commanding 5-1 win. From the first whistle, they controlled possession, created numerous chances and were clinical in front of goal.

The biggest test came in their most recent match against Trinity, which ended in a thrilling 3-2 victory. In a game full of intensity and drama, the team fought hard to edge the win with a last-minute goal, showing incredible resilience and determination to secure the three points.

With other games still to be played, the team is eagerly waiting to see if their efforts have been enough to claim the league title. Regardless of the final standings, it has been a season to remember, with clear improvement from last year and a fantastic team spirit driving them forward.

Well done to all the players for their commitment and hard work—whatever the outcome, it has been a season of real achievement!



Year 11 Football

The Year 11 Boys football team played their final league fixture against Trinity School. It was a game of two halves with Trinity going into half time 2-0 up. A resilient St Bart's side managed to score 4 goals in the second half to win the match 4-3. Goals were scored by Eddie (x2), Kobi and Connor. Player of the match was awarded to Connor for his composure on the ball and for his wonder strike from outside the area. Well done to everyone involved as it was a brilliant second half performance.

Super Netball Season

Here are the results from the Netball League. A huge well done to every player and member of staff that supported the netball this season. To finish in the top 3 in all years A and B except one is a fantastic achievement. Well done St Bart's.

Year 7 Super League

1st - Park House

2nd - St Bart's A

3rd - Kennet A

Year 8 Super league

1st - St Bart's A

2nd - St Gabriel's A

3rd - Park House

Year 9 Super League

1st - St Bart's A

2nd - Park House A

3rd - The Downs A

Year 10 Super League

1st - St Bart's A

2nd - Theale

3rd - Willink

Year 11 Super League

1st - Kennet A

2nd - St Bart's A

3rd - Park House A

Year 7 Premier League

1st - Kennet B

2nd - Theale

3rd - St Bart's B

Yr 8 Premier League

1st - St Bart's B

2nd - Kennet B

3rd - Theale

Year 9 Premier League

1st - Kennet B

2nd - Park House B

3rd - St Bart's B

Year 10 Premier League

1st - Trinity

2nd - St Bart's B

3rd - The Downs

Year 11 Premier League

1st - Theale

2nd - Park House B

3rd - Kennet B

Sixth Form League

1st - St Bart's B

2nd - Park House & St Bart's A

Primary Schools Cross Country: Newbury Showground Tuesday 25 March

Congratulations to our Year 10 Sports Leaders who were a tremendous support at the recent Primary Schools Cross Country championships at Newbury Showground. This is one of the largest Primary Schools Cross Country events in the Country and this year saw almost 1500 Year 3-6 boys and girls taking part in the event.

Our Sports Leaders were a huge support, helping at various stages of the course, running with the youngsters to ensure they got past the finish line and making sure they had their finishing position recorded accurately! Several of the Primary Schools staff members commented on how helpful and supportive our leaders were to their children.

Well done to you all and thank you!

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