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The Hansa rose will now be resplendent in our Heritage Garden rose bed and is accompanied by a plaque which reads 'We remember those members of staff who gave great service to the school'.

After the planting of the rose, many of our guests joined us for tea, coffee and a delicious selection of cakes, organised by our catering team, and there was the opportunity to reminisce together and to catch up on the news of many in our school community. We hope the event was a fitting tribute to our wonderful former colleagues.



Dr Paul Millard, Stuart Robinson (former Headteacher), Tricia Ray and Richard Sellwood.



Lee Dillon and Val Pollitt (former History teacher)



Dr Fitter (Headteacher), Geoff Lockwood (former Science teacher) and Gary Norman (Chair of Governors).



Mike Hart (former Head of Curnock House) and Andrew Hughes



Linda Eastman (former Head of Food) and Mrs Scourfield (Head of Maths & Computing)

Calendar

Y11 Internal Interviews	Wednesday 5 February	WCC/RR, P4/P5
Y11 External Interviews	Wednesday 5 February	WCC/RR, 3.30-6.30pm
Davis & Evers House Evening rehearsal	Wednesday 5 February	Hall, 3.15-5.15pm
Y9 & 10 Girls' Rugby Development	Wednesday 5 February	Trinity School, 2.00 - 4.00pm
Risking it All – Parent Performance Opportunity	Wednesday 5 February	Arlington Arts Centre, 7.30pm. See below.
Y7, Y9 and Y10 House Football	Thursday 6 February	Y7 (CD released) P1, Y9 (J released) P4, Y10 (Q1 released) P5
Spanish Immersion Trip departs	Thursday 6 February	Returns Monday 10 February
Davis & Evers House Evening	Thursday 6 February	Hall, 6.30-8.30pm. See page 8 & 9
Y9 Risking it All - Performance	Friday 7 February	Hall, P4/P5. See below.
Curnock & Patterson House Evening rehearsal	Friday 7 February	Hall, 3.00 - 5.00pm
Y9, Holocaust Voices - Theatre Event	Monday 10 February	11.30am - 12.40pm
Holocaust Voices - Theatre Event - Sixth Form, staff, parents/carers	Monday 10 February	Hall, 4.30 - 5.30pm. See page 11.
Y11 (select) Poetry Live! (CD students)	Monday 10 February	Oxford, 9.00 - 4.30pm
Y7 & 8 Girls' Rugby Development at Trinity	Monday 10 February	2.00 - 4.00pm
Curnock & Patterson House Evening	Tuesday 11 February	Hall, 6.30 - 8.30pm. See page 10.
Y9 Subject Parents' Evening	Wednesday 12 February	Remote, 4.30 - 7.00pm

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



Risking it All – Parent Performance Opportunity TONIGHT Wednesday 5 February

On Friday Year 9 students will attend a performance of 'Risking It All'. As previously mentioned in [BartholoNews](#) and in letters home, the interactive performance and workshop touches on many of the issues looked at in PDP lessons. Parents/carers are also invited to attend a free showing of this performance at the Arlington Arts Centre **tonight** (Wednesday) at 7.30pm. Tickets can be booked [here](#). Please see the poster on [page 12](#).

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CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

SPOTLIGHT: Explore STEM Opportunities with the British Army

Wednesday 5 March 2025 at 1.00pm. Explore the exciting STEM opportunities available with the British Army. This session will provide an in-depth look at the Defence STEM Undergraduate Sponsorship, which offers up to £42,750 in financial support for your studies. [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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VACANCIES

EXAMINATIONS INVIGILATORS

**Have you got an eye for detail? Do you enjoy working as a team?
Would you like a rewarding job on a casual basis?**



We are searching for Examinations Invigilators to join us as soon as possible on a casual basis.

You will conduct examinations in accordance with the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), awarding body and to have a key role in upholding the integrity and security of the external examination/assessment process. Full training will be provided.

HOURS: By negotiation and agreement during the main exam periods (and practice exams) when external invigilators are required.

SALARY: £14.26 per hour (including holiday pay), equivalent to £24,027.

To find out more details and to apply, please [click here.](#)

Closing date: 23 February 2025

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

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TRUSTWORTHY
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...SO THAT WE CAN ALL BE THE BEST
THAT WE CAN BE.





AN INSPECTOR CALLS

Y11 went to the Mayflower Theatre, Southampton this week to watch the astounding 'An Inspector Calls' to support their GCSE revision. A great time was had by all, and the pyrotechnics were a must-see. The actors put on a great production which really brought the story to life with their dramatization of J.B Priestley's morality play. I definitely recommend going to see it; one hour and 45 minutes you will not waste!

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COMPLETING SIXTH FORM INTERVIEWS

Portal now reopens for late applications.

The St Bart's Sixth Form team and our senior staff have been really enjoying chatting to Year 11 students as part of the Sixth Form interview process, which has been taking place over the last couple of weeks. The team are also hugely looking forward to welcoming so many external applicants this afternoon, and in the coming days, and learning more about their hopes and ambitions for Sixth Form. We are proud of the fact that around a third of our incoming Year 12s are from other schools, which coupled with those students progressing from our own Year 11, creates a really exciting opportunity for students to make new friends and learn from a greater range of past experiences and ideas. Well done to all those students who have successfully completed their interview.



If you know of a student, or you are a student, who is still considering their choice of Sixth Form and has not yet made an application to St Bart's then there is still time!

St Bart's Sixth Form [Application Portal](#) is now open for our second round of late applications. If students are uncertain, we would really advise making an application and spending some time with us at our Taster Days in June. More information on these to follow. We are confident that our outstanding teaching and learning, alongside excellent pastoral and careers programmes and a focus on each individual's personal journey, makes us hard to beat as a destination!

Those interested in learning more, or asking questions, can also join our Co-Heads of Sixth Form for an online Q&A session on Wednesday 12 February between 5.30pm-6.30pm. Just [click here](#).

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COUNTY SWIMMERS MEDAL

Well done to the St Bart's students who swam at the Berkshire and South Buckinghamshire County Championships last month.

Lucy, James, Stan, Emily, Freddie, Reiss, Olive, Amos, Brooke and Louise all represented Newbury District Swimming Club.

The medal winners were Amos, who won Bronze medals in the 800m, 400m and 200m Freestyle events and Olive who won Bronze in the 400m Individual Medley and Silver in the 100m Breaststroke. Congratulations!



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PE

Y7 Netball

The Year 7's had their first competitive matches of the season. The A Team took on Park House A and got off to a strong start despite the weather. They looked in control throughout, winning 11-7. Elizabeth was awarded attacking player for her excellent shooting and Flora for her solid defence.

The Downs School were next to face St Bart's A; all 4 girls that took on the shooting rolls were outstanding. The squad of 10 all played brilliantly, sharing positions and subbing on and off. Tilly and Polly G shone in a 17-0 win.



The B's first opponent was The Willink and Freya took the team to an excellent 5-2 win with her steady play in Centre. Next up was Park House School B who were no match for the determined B's, with excellent shooting from Summer, they won convincingly 11-0. Well done to all involved.

Year 10 Netball

Well done to the Year 10 A and B teams who played their first league game of the season at Kennet last Thursday. The A team had a very tightly



contested game against Theale Green and drew 12 – 12 with Kitty Hutchinson being awarded player of the match.

The B team played a strong Trinity team who dominated the game early in the first half and were winning 6-1 at half time. The second half saw St Bart's pull out the stops to close the gap and finished with Trinity winning 7 -3. Players of the match were awarded to Ellena Clare and Bella Meir. Well done to both teams.



Year 7 Football

The Year 7 boys' football team started their County Cup campaign with an impressive 6-1 win against Edgbarrow School. Players of the match were Baxter Finch, Thom Holland and Rayan Anouar.



Year 8 Football



Well done to the Year 8 boys' Football team who won their first West Berkshire league match vs Park House 2-1 last Tuesday. Players of the match were Bertie, Tommy, Riley and Daniel. Well done to all involved.

Also, well done to the team who took part in the West Berkshire 7-a-side football tournament at Trinity School on

Wednesday afternoon. No scores were recorded as the aim of the tournament was enjoyment and participation. All students had great fun playing matches against other schools in West Berkshire.

Squad: Thomas, Olad, Archie, George H, George H (2), George S, Stanley, Vinayak, Marek, Jake, Jessie, Arthur and Euan.



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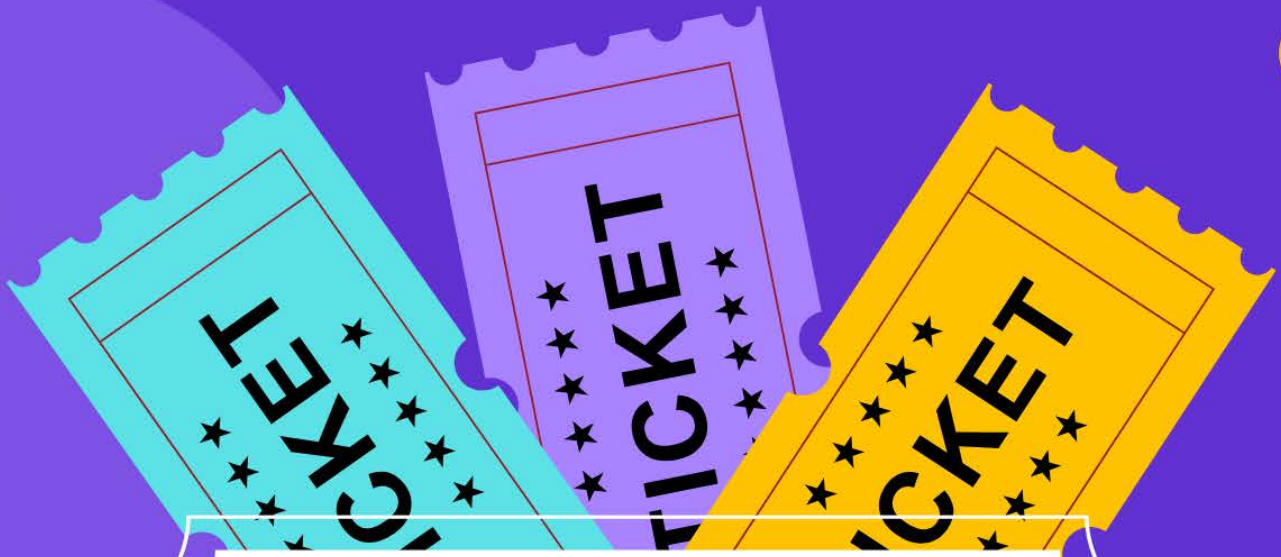
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**BUY YOUR TICKETS AT HOUSE EVENING OR GET
THEM FROM DAVIS/EVERS HOUSE OFFICE BEFORE
THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY**

CURNOCK PATTERSON HOUSE EVENING

TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2025

6:30PM

**TICKETS AVAILABLE TO
PURCHASE VIA PARENTPAY**

RAFFLE AND REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS HOUSE
CHARITIES

**GUIDE
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Monday
10 February
4.15pm

KINDNESS

A LEGACY OF THE HOLOCAUST

A VERBATIM PLAY

BASED ON THE TESTIMONY OF SUSAN POLLACK OBE

Parents/Carers Performance

Monday 10 February 4.15pm-5.30pm, St Bart's School Hall

Tickets £5 via ParentPay

Please note this is also open to parents/carers and any students who wish to attend - age guidance 11+. For further details, please refer to the letter sent to parents/carers on 23 January or visit www.stbarts.co.uk/the-beacon-school-programme



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RISKING IT ALL

The Truth Behind Exploitation

Wednesday 5 Feb 7:30pm

Arlington Arts Centre, Mary Hare
Newbury, Berkshire RG14 3BQ

Risking It All, a powerful theatre production based on real-life accounts of young people affected by grooming and criminal exploitation.

Created for schools and supported by West Berkshire Council, this public showcase invites parents and the general public to witness and engage with the realities teenagers face. Through immersive storytelling and facilitated discussion, Risking It All helps audiences spot the signs of exploitation



<https://arlingtonarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows>



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