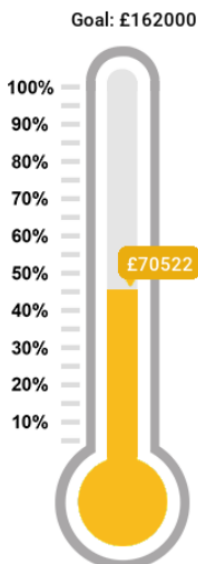


THANK YOU



Your response to the request for help has been amazing, thank you so much for helping support Europa through this period of underfunding.

Every penny you give is used to enrich your children's education, from stream language support to counselling services.

You have raised an amazing £70,522 towards our target, nearly 45% of the total.

The donations make the difference between a standard education and a great one.

If you would like to donate to the school fund please use this link [Fundraising – Europa School UK](#)

Our request is a voluntary contribution of £1 per pupil per day or £2 if you can afford it, either by giving a lump sum or making a regular monthly donation. [More information about how we use the school fund.](#)

WINTER MUSIC SOIRÉE

Thursday, 7th December 2023, 5.30pm - The Chapel



CONCERT AT MERTON COLLEGE CHAPEL - OXFORD



We are thrilled to share the news of our recent concert held in the stunning Merton College Chapel in Oxford. Our students, in collaboration with the Oxford Bach Choir and with peers from three other Oxfordshire schools, presented an outstanding performance of Bob Chilcott's 'Rhythm.' What made the evening even more special was the presence of the composer himself, who was there to enjoy this special moment.

Despite the cold temperatures in the chapel, the dedication and enthusiasm displayed by our students were remarkable. We look forward to more events in the future - with the next concert taking place in the Sheldonian Theatre on the 2nd December, when they're going to perform 'Carmina Burana'.

FOOD COLLECTION FOR CRISIS OXFORD CHRISTMAS APPEAL

(Local Homeless Charity)

There are two options.

1. There will be a food collection box at the Main reception from Monday 20th November to **Monday 4th December 2023**.

2. I will be in school on Friday the 24th of November between 8 and 9am at the Thame Lane entrance under the canopy.

It can be biscuits, tea, coffee, chocolates, jams, chutneys, tinned food, soups, squash, dried fruit, cereals, fruit bars, Christmassy gifts etc.

Last year with your help they were able to support 200 families. So, I hope this year we should be able to support more people! Many thanks for your cooperation. Zohra (Louis 5EE)

Christmas with Crisis
Hope starts here



Support Crisis this Christmas

Over the festive period, Crisis Skylight Oxford will deliver wellbeing events and parcels to people experiencing homelessness.

Please help Crisis provide these vital services to people at one of the hardest times of the year by donating items from this list.

Collection Guidance

There are two options. Please either:

1. Bring your donations to the collection box at **reception** from Monday 20th Nov to Monday 4th Dec

2. OR bring your donations to the **Thame Lane entrance** between 8 - 9am on Fri 24th November



Crisis UK (trading as Crisis), Registered Charity Numbers:
E&W1082947, SCO40094. Company Number: 4024938. CRI0291

Donations Needed

Hats, gloves, scarfs, underwear

Blankets and hand warmers

Vouchers (eg for local coffee shops)

Puzzles, games

Kids toys

Cleaning products

Toiletries

Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate

Seasonal treats

Healthy snacks

Tinned food, instant noodles



Thanks Hannah (S5D) for this lovely artwork!

Dear All,

We are really looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to our popular Christmas Fair. This is the time to come together and meet your fellow parents and enjoy watching your children having fun!

As usual, we need a lot of help from our parent community to make the Fair a success.

Volunteers

We need loads of volunteers on the day so please get in touch via volunteers@europa-pta.org or fill out this google form <https://forms.gle/7BA68BMoAZGZ198X6> if you can spare an hour or two of your time. A big thank you to those of you who have signed up! We will be in touch with you soon.

Only a few more Flea market stalls still available

Outside flea market stalls, which will line the path to the chapel, are still available on a first come first serve basis. You will need to provide your own shelter. Please email stalls@europa-pta.org if you would like to find out more.

Fantastic Raffle Prizes

Buy your raffle ticket here <https://europa.rallyup.com/a8baa1/Campaign/Details> and circulate the link to family and friends. We have the most amazing raffle prizes again this year! This is a fantastic way to donate to the PTA and ultimately the school - with a chance to win a big treat!

Please ensure that you pre-book your tickets via Classlist for the activities below to avoid disappointment: Tickets selling fast!

Santa's Grotto in the chapel

https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1056050682?s=113151119&utm_source=SCHOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK

Dizzy Dean's Magic Show in the drama studio

https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1053470667?s=113151119&utm_source=SCHOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK

Gingerbread House Workshop

https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1067550683?s=113151119&utm_source=SCHOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK

S2E - SUSTAINABLE CHRISTMAS FLEA MARKET

Saturday 9th December 2023 11h00 - 15h00

	<h3>¡únete!</h3> <p>Este evento ayuda a crear una comunidad en nuestra escuela, donde los padres se pueden conocer. Ayudamos al medio ambiente y reducir el consumo en esta época del año además de concienciar a los niños y padres del problema creciente en nuestro entorno</p>	<h2>NO HAY PLANETA B</h2>
<p>ÚNETE - ¡TÚ TAMBIÉN PUEDES!</p>		<p>¡JUNTOS PODEMOS!</p>
<h2>EUROPA SCHOOL</h2>		 <h2>ROPA, JUGUETES Y LIBROS</h2>
<h3>EL EVENTO</h3> <p>¿CUÁNDO? El mercado es el 09/10/2023 de las 11 hasta las 3</p> <p>¿QUIÉNES? Los padres de los niños, venden, y los que no venden, compran!</p> <p>¿CÓMO PODEMOS CONTRIBUIR? Lleva tus productos al mercado y una manta de picnic para ponerlos.</p>	<p>¿DÓNDE? Nuestro mercadillo se encuentra a la entrada de la capilla cerca de el edificio de arte. Está marcado con un punto rojo.</p> <p>EL MAPA</p> 	<h2>MERCADO NAVIDEÑO</h2>  <p>¡TÚ PUEDES CONTRIBUIR A NUESTRO EVENTO Y AYUDAR AL MUNDO!</p>

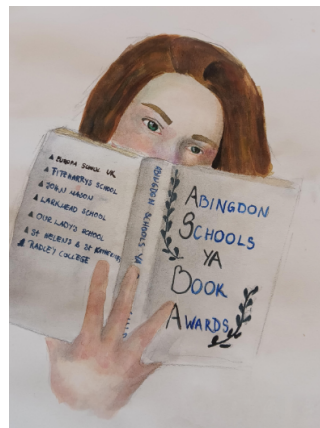
PETER PANTO

Saturday 2nd December 2023 at the Cornerstone, Didcot



[Ticket link](#)

ABINGDON YOUNG ADULT BOOK CLUB



You have taken part in the Carnegie before? Or the Abingdon Young Adult Book Award?
Or just love reading and want to take part in a fun and friendly book club and meet other students from
Europa and other Abingdon schools?

If you are in S3 or S4, come and join us on

Monday 4 December 1 pm in the drama studio to learn more!

Send me an email so I know you're interested: b.mallett@europaschool.uk.



More magazines, anyone?

As you probably know, your secondary library has a large selection of magazines. We would love to know how often you read them and what else you would like us to subscribe to. It's time to have your say and influence us!

Please fill in this survey now!

<https://forms.gle/qLxe8T31uV5DirEG6>Preview attachment

BLACK AND WHITE EXHIBITION: S4 S5 S6

In the Art rooms

18th - 19th December 2023

Over the course of this topic, "I am Here" we worked on black and white art. In the absence of colour we focused on contrast, texture and composition.

For the duration of this project we worked exclusively in black and white and greyscale and it forced us to think slightly outside the box, as most of us had never put much thought into tonal values and contrast before this project and this insight into the world of tone and contrast was very interesting.



JACKIE HOLDERNESS STORYTIME SESSION

Friday 22nd December 2023

10h30 -11h45 Abingdon Library

Jackie Holderness, our founder Governor, who is an author, will be reading her book 'The Princess Who Hid in a Tree: An Anglo- Saxon Story', at the Abingdon library. This will be followed by a book signing and make-your-own princess/prince crown craft session.

Join the author and listen while she reads "The Princess Who Hid in a Tree" followed by book signing and a craft activity. All are welcome but most suited for children aged 5 – 9 and their grown up.



ALL
WELCOME!
IDEAL FOR
AGES 5-9

JACKIE HOLDERNESS

STORYTIME AT ABINGDON LIBRARY

Join us for a storytime session with local children's author Jackie Holderness, who will be reading her standout work 'The Princess Who Hid in a Tree: An Anglo-Saxon Story', followed by a book signing and a make-your-own princess/prince crown craft session.

FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER
10:30-11:45

 01235 520374

 abingdon.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk

BASKETBALL AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY

Basketball is run by after school activities, the cost for the term is £80. You will be able to book your child onto the after school activities through the parent portal. This will be opening next week for the spring term 2024.



EUROPA SCHOOL BASKETBALL DRAGONS NEEDED!



Session Details:

Year 1 - Year 5 09:00 to 10:00 – Primary Gym
Boys Year 6 - S3 09:00 to 10:30 – New Gym
Boys S4 - S7 10:30 to 12:30 – New Gym
Girls S1 - S4 11:30 to 13:00 – Primary Gym



Come join Europa School Basketball on Saturday Mornings!

A handful of parents have joined forces to coach basketball on Saturday mornings at Europa. Our aim is to build a school team to be able to compete against other schools in the area.

We are all passionate about promoting fun, teamwork and resilience through basketball. Come and experience the fun on a Saturday mornings and help us get Europa back to its former basketball glory.

NB: We hold an adult scrimmage session in the new gym every Wednesday evening from 20:00 to 21:30 to raise money for the Dragons. £5 at the door. It's fun and burns a ton of calories!



Contact details (Ismail)
Mobile: 07834 118648
Email: ismailelkadiri@gmail.com

COMICS AND MANGA CLUB FOR S1 - S6

Drama studio - Tuesday lunchtimes



"Do you like comics? Do you like manga? Have you never read anything of the sort but want somewhere to start?

Whatever the case, consider joining the comics and manga club!

This club will be for all Secondary year groups and is about discussing the art form, as well as opinions on current and past series and general culture surrounding both manga and comics (think movies and tv shows!).

If you want to attend or have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me a dros24@europaschool.uk. I hope to see you soon!"

Dylan (S7)

Chill and Craft with Lena



- ❖ Run by and aimed at young people ages 12-18, but open to all
- ❖ Learn to craft, or perfect your skills in a relaxed environment (with snacks!)
- ❖ All crafting materials and sessions provided for free.
- ❖ No need to book, drop in morning or afternoon sessions.
- ❖ Led sessions will include:
Crochet, Macrame, Friendship bracelets and Embroidery with a focus on upcycling and sustainable materials.
- ❖ For details on our upcoming dates + sessions, follow @1planetabingdonyouth on Instagram!



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Abingdon
OX14 3HG



www.oneplanetabingdon.org



INSPIRE CRITICAL THINKING 2023/24

Register here : <https://sjcinspire.com/> before 13th December 2023

INSPIRE CRITICAL THINKING 2023/24



Interested in Crime and Punishment?



Want to learn how to think critically and explore crime and punishment from different perspectives?



Then Inspire Critical Thinking is for you!

WHAT IS INSPIRE CRITICAL THINKING?

Inspire Critical Thinking is a **free** online programme for all pupils in Years 9 - 11 made up of 4 workshops linked to a central question: **'Does crime always deserve punishment?'**. It will run between **January - April 2024**.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Each month a link to each workshop is sent to your email so you can discover at your own pace. Each workshop has articles, videos, challenges, interviews with Oxford students and academics, and other interactive elements.

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
UNTIL 13TH DECEMBER 2023**

THIS YEAR'S WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

- Workshop 1 – How has the definition of crime changed?
- Workshop 2 – Are some crimes excusable?
- Workshop 3 – How effective is crime detection and the Criminal Justice System?
- Workshop 4 – What is the purpose of punishments?

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

- Learn about crime & punishment from a **range of perspectives**
- Develop **critical thinking** skills
- Win **prizes** for completing challenges
- Improve your **literacy**
- **Discuss** and **debate** online with pupils across the UK
- Find out about **life at Oxford University**
- Invitation to the St John's College **Virtual Summer School**
- **Guidance** on **careers** and subjects
- **Skills** to add to your **CV**



HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Scan the QR code to register, or visit www.sjcinspire.com for more information.



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Oxford





GO ECOLO CLUB



You would like to improve the Ecology of the school, come to **Room 331 every Monday from 12h45 to 13h15**

The **GO ECOLO CLUB** members do projects and actions in the school. We try to Rewild areas in school, to find a solution to recycle rubbish in suitable bins, to have less plastic in the canteen, to have free Meat lunch, to protect the owls, to meet specialists of nature, to create films about the planet with the Goldsmith University, to have fun...

Come and share your ideas and actions!

For more information please contact Dr Sandrine Philippot-Gasc: s.philippot-gasc@europaschool.uk

Model United Nations : MUN



COP delegation

S4, S5, S6, S7 students attend the MUN Club to become a delegate or an ambassador of the United Nations and participate in a Model of the United Nations in Toulouse, Brussels or Milan.

The MUN Club takes place in Room 331 every Monday after school, Wednesday morning break, Friday lunchtime.

For more information please contact Dr Sandrine Philippot-Gasc : s.philippot-gasc@europaschool.uk

CULHAM INTERACT CLUB

Culham Interact Club : Come and take action NOW!

Come to the **Culham Interact Club** to become an interactor and participate to improve the world. We meet every Friday at 9h50 to 10h10 room 331.

The **Culham Interact Club** organises at least two projects every year, one that helps their school or community and one that promotes international understanding. The local Rotary Club of Abingdon in the person of Astrid Nielsen is organising the projects with me .
<https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/interact-clubs>

During the last years **Culham Interact Club** helped for examples :

*Planting two plantations of mango trees in Senegal and developing villages :
<https://www.association-irrigasc.org/>

*Construction of a fuel saving eco-stove at Mugalodde Primary School in Uganda/ saves trees in Uganda" :
<https://youtu.be/7Z8VlwhehTs>

*Action with Cultiva to plant trees in Chili : <https://www.reforestationworld.org/project/corporacion-cultiva>

*Make a wish: help to grant life-changing wishes for children with critical illness.
<https://www.make-a-wish.org.uk/>

*Harry's hat: to help children diagnosis with hydrocephalus (water on the brain) <https://harrys-hat.org>

*Mary's meals: to feed very poor children in England and around the world : <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk>

*Alzheimer's Society

*Funsani charity to help orphan house in Zambia : <https://www.funsani.com/>

Examples of actions for raising money :

Quiz evening, catwalk show, cake sales, Halloween movie evening, battle of the bands evening...

Culham Interact Club gives as well the possibility to students over 14 years old to get a diploma of the **Institute of Leadership and Management in London**.

In 2020, Five students passed the diploma and now on the 13th September 2023, five new students received the Diploma of Leadership and Management with the highest grade : Distinction!



For more information please contact Dr Sandrine Philippot-Gasc: s.philippot-gasc@europaschool.uk

NATIONAL BADMINTON

4 X WEEKS COACHING FOR JUST £10



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FOR JUST £10!

**Professional group
badminton coaching**

Interested in badminton? Get
on court with a weekly group
coaching session and get
your first 4x sessions for £10!



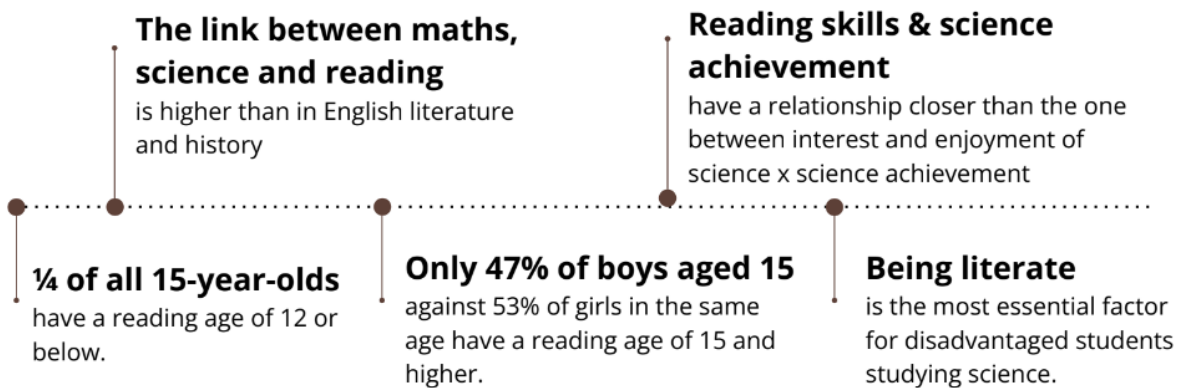
NEXT GEN
JUNIOR PROGRAMME

REGISTER AT
[NATIONALBADMINTON.ORG.UK/PLAY](https://nationalbadminton.org.uk/play)



Help your children to read and succeed in Science and Maths

370,000 secondary school students tested



Data from GL Assessment, research from 2018-2019, report found at <http://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/whyreading>



Have you 5 minutes?

Ask your child to read the headlines on their mobile phone and tell you which one seems more interesting or intriguing, and why.

If you have 10 minutes

Ask them to read a short article and summarise it. Then you could ask: do you agree with what the article said? Why or why not?

When you have 30 minutes

Choose an article and read together. Ask each other why you prefer this or that subject. Discuss what the author really meant and if your children had seen the topic in school already.

Pet dogs a threat to nesting birds in South Walney - warning

31 March 2020



Dog walkers, beach-goers and drone users are disturbing nesting birds at a nature reserve, conservationists have warned.

Continuing to disturb the birds could lead to multiple reports of "disturbance" incidents at South Walney Nature Reserve near Barrow.

It is urging visitors to stick to clearly-marked paths away from beaches which are out of bounds.

Dogs are not allowed on the site unless they are assistance animals.

Nature reserve officers said thousands of seabirds such as Arctic terns, oystercatchers and wader ducks were ground-nesting and particularly vulnerable between March and April.

"Sadly we're getting lots of reports of recreational disturbance of wildlife by people and their pets, which is particularly alarming as nesting season is now under way.

"It can be really hard to see the speckled bird eggs and the little chicks can be extremely well-camouflaged too, and almost impossible to spot amongst the shingle shells found all around the shorelines at South Walney.

"If you're a very well-behaved dog on a lead will scare birds away from their nests."

VACANCIES

Caretaker

Join Our Team

Are you a hands-on individual with a passion for maintaining safe and welcoming environments?

We are looking for a School Caretaker to ensure our school premises are in top-notch condition.

Salary: Point 10-13 £12.25ph to £12.89 ph

Plus: Generous pension and sick pay benefits

Hours: Full-time 40 hours per week (8 hours a day between, 7am to 6pm, likely to be a later shift).

Can you:

Maintain school facilities and grounds?

Conduct safety inspections and address issues?

Monitor security measures?

Assist with cleaning tasks?

Collaborate with staff and service providers?

Contact Anna at applications@europaschool.uk

Or see our [website](#)

General Assistant - Kitchen

Our partners Accent catering are looking to appoint a general assistant for the kitchen

Working Pattern: Monday to Friday, 11am to 2.30pm, Term Time Only

Pay rate; £10.42 per hour Contact: Europa@accentcatering.co.uk

LOST PROPERTY

Every Tuesday 3pm - 4pm

The Lost Property room will be open every Tuesday from 3pm to 4 pm.

Please come and check the room when it is open for your lost items.

A huge thank you to Irene Larraona and Zohra Fatima-Jenkinson for managing this.

CONTACT EMAILS

If you have any questions regarding the IB Diploma Programme (S5, S6 and S7) please email Mrs Simpson at ibdiplomacoordinator@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding the IB Middle Years Programme (S1, S2, S3 and S4) please email Mrs Butcher at ibmypcoordinator@europaschool.uk

If you are an external student and would like to apply to the school to do the IB Diploma please contact Mrs Fabulet at admissions@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding UCAS and S4 Work Experience please contact Mrs Charalambous at i.charalambous@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding Careers please contact Mrs Powell at l.powell@europsachool.uk

If you have any questions regarding public (GCSE/MYP and DP) or internal examinations (years S4-S7) please contact Mme Jouhandin at examsofficer@europaschool.uk

If your child is absent please email absence@europaschool.uk before 09h00

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December 2023

Friday 1st December	19h00 - 22h00 Junior Ball - Schuman Hall
Saturday 2nd December	Afternoon/evening: rehearsal and performance at the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford
Tuesday 5th December	S2 Parent /Teacher meetings (Online) S3F community project cake sale
Wednesday 6th December	15h00 - 16h00 - S2E Christmas market (1)
Thursday 7th December	17h30 Music Soirée - Chapel
Friday 8th December	S3F - Maison Française, Oxford
Saturday 9th December	11h00 - 15h00 Europa School Christmas Fair
Tuesday 12th December	S7 Parent /Teacher meetings (Online)
Wednesday 13th December	15h00 - 16h00 - S2E Christmas market (2)
Thursday 14th December	16h00 - S4 Girls Basketball v King Alfred - Home S4 Parent /Teacher meetings (Online)
Friday 15th December	S1 - S5 FLU vaccination
Monday 18th December	S4, S5 and S6 Black and White Exhibition - Art rooms
Tuesday 19th December	S4, S5 and S6 Black and White Exhibition - Art rooms Last day of the Autumn term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY Wednesday 20th December 2023 - Friday 5th January 2024

January 2024

Monday 8th January	First day of the Spring term
Wednesday 10th January	S6 Reports issued
Thursday 11th January	19h00 - 20h30 IB Virtual Open day
Monday 15th January	S5 Reports issued
Thursday 18th January	S2 HPV vaccination S5 Parent /Teacher meetings (Online)
Friday 19th January	14h10 - 17h15 - S7 Interyear Volleyball
Tuesday 23rd January	S1 Parent /Teacher meetings (Online)
Thursday 25th January	15h45 - S3 Girls Badminton and S5 Badminton v King Alfreds Sportshall
Friday 26th January	S6 Brookes University/Workshop in French Language Culture and Communication
Tuesday 30th January	S4 reports issued
Wednesday 31st January	S5 / S6 TOUMUN Depart S5 / S6 TOUMUN UCAS application Deadline Intermediate Maths Challenge

February 2024

Thursday 1st February	S5 / S6 TOUMUN S7 Full Report issued
Friday 2nd February	S5 / S6 TOUMUN
Saturday 3rd February	National Apprenticeships Week S5 / S6 TOUMUN - Return
Monday 5th February	S7 IB Mocks National Apprenticeships Week
Tuesday 6th February	S7 IB Mocks National Apprenticeships Week
Wednesday 7th February	S7 IB Mocks National Apprenticeships Week
Thursday 8th February	S7 IB Mocks National Apprenticeships Week
Friday 9th February	S2 & S3 Full Reports issued INSET day (No students in school)

FEBRUARY HOLIDAY Friday 9th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024