

## S3 - S4: ABINGDON BOOK QUIZ

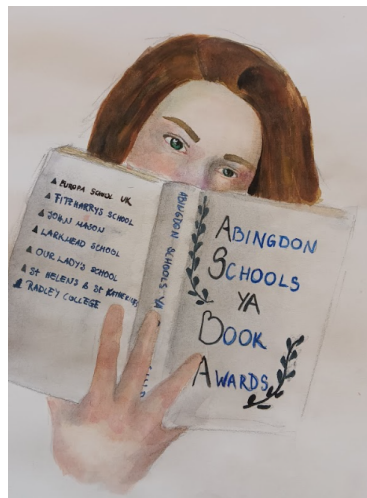
### Well done Europa!

The Abingdon Young Adult Book Award was created last year for our keen S3 and S4 readers. Students had to read 6 recently published books chosen by the secondary school librarians of Abingdon, Radley and Culham.

On Thursday all the students from the 7 schools met for the final quiz in St Helens and St Katharine School, Europa represented by 2 enthusiastic teams.

And for the second time in a row, Europa won the trophy! The winning team members came back each with a book donated by Mostly Books, chocolate and of course the engraved trophy to keep for a year.

Hannah also had her artwork highly praised by all, and won "highly commended" for it.



## SPORT

### WELL DONE

#### S1 AND S2 GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM



As we wave goodbye to our winter sports the S1 and S2 girls football team took on OLA in a highly competitive football match on Tuesday. The sun was shining and both teams were up for the match ahead. The Europa School started the brighter, challenging everything and remaining calm on the ball, despite the pressure imposed by the opposition.

After a couple of early shots on goal, Ellie chased down what seemed like a lost cause, narrowly stopping the ball going over the dead ball line and putting in a low accurate cross for Chloe, who finished it off with precision. GOAL. 1-0 Europa School!

The game continued at this pace, with the opposition growing into the game, but our defence would not be beaten and the game remained at 1-0. Congratulations team on the win and a special congratulations to Sophia, who was awarded player of the match.



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**TO OUR S5 AND S6 STUDENTS**  
**WHO TOOK PART IN THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS IN FRANCE**  
**IN FEBRUARY 2023**



Les étudiants réunis pour la conférence finale des rencontres du MUN, avec, en ouverture, Bernadette Fiorina./  
Photo DDM.

Vendredi dernier, le temps de la restitution du club MUN (Model United Nations), au lycée Françoise de Tournefeuille, réunissait cinq délégations d'étudiants anglais (Europea School UK d'Oxford), italiens (Polo Civico Scolastico A. Manzoni Milan) et issus de lycées d'Occitanie (les lycées Théophile-Gauthier de Tarbes, Clémence-Royer de Fonsorbes et Nelson-Mandela de Pibrac). 220 élèves se sont ainsi rencontrés les 1<sup>er</sup>, 2 et 3 février pour terminer ensemble lors d'une conférence, présentée par Bernadette Fiorina qui encadre le club chaque mercredi midi. Alors comme le disait, Jean Gasc,

membre des MUN précédents : Pourquoi êtes-vous là ? « Pour se faire des amis », a répondu aussitôt une participante, propos relevé par « des contacts oui, pour se faire une idée des organisations internationales, et autres raisons personnelles ». Car oui ce club est une authentique simulation de l'assemblée générale des Nations Unies et de ses comités et propose des débats en anglais sur diverses thématiques d'actualité : droits de l'Homme, environnement, économie et société, politique et histoire. Les objectifs de ce club sont de développer la pratique orale de

l'anglais, l'éducation à la citoyenneté et l'ouverture internationale.

Créé en 2017 avec une quinzaine d'élèves autour de trois professeurs (Bernadette Fiorina, Eileen Piet, Nicolas Bounet), le club a institué la conférence qui a ceci de particulier qu'elle est entièrement animée par des élèves qui endossent le rôle de secrétaire général, et de président et vice-président de commission. Ces journées de conférences portant sur des résolutions avec l'apprentissage des compétences attendues d'un diplomate sont une extraordinaire formation pour les élèves.

## **CAREERS DEPARTMENT EVENTS**

S5 Students had their mock interviews this week, also National Careers Week, and really enjoyed the experience. They were so positive about the experience that they want to do it all again later in the year. Thank you so much to all of the fantastic interviewers - we absolutely could not have done this without you.

If you feel like you missed out on an opportunity to join us for the Mock Interviews, we have a Human Library coming up for S2 Tuesday 25th April 13:00 - 15:00. This is an opportunity for groups of students to try and work out what job you do and then gain a better understanding of the wide variety of careers out there. If you are interested in this please email Mrs Powell, [l.powell@europaschool.uk](mailto:l.powell@europaschool.uk).

Finally a reminder that you can connect with the Careers Department on LinkedIn @Europa School Careers Department and on Instagram @Europa.Careers.



### **S4 Careers Fest**

A reminder for S4 parents that we need you to complete the form for the Careers Fest trip and send your £5 contribution as currently we do not have enough students to be able to attend this exciting OxLEP event. There will be 75 different organisations there for the students to interact with, discuss work experience opportunities and explore the different pathways into careers of interest to them.

### **S7 IB ART EXHIBITION 16th - 22nd MARCH 2023 CHAPEL**





MUSIC SOIREE

THURSDAY 23rd MARCH 2023 - 17h30 IN THE CHAPEL

Europa School UK

# SPRING MUSIC SOIRÉE

Thursday 23rd March  
17.30 in the Chapel

Donations at the end  
to raise funds for  
the Music Department's IT equipment  
and help improve pupils' music portfolio  
assignment work

## **EMPRESS MATILDA**

Did you know that Empress Matilda, the daughter of King Henry I of England, was born in Sutton Courtenay? A few of our primary and secondary students are involved in the production of Empress Matilda the musical.

If you'd like to see them perform (and learn about the local history!) please come to watch - there are still tickets available for the Friday performance. Suitable for all ages!

To get tickets please call 01235 847707 or 01235 848335.



## **RAISING MONEY FOR THE BLUE CROSS**

For our MYP group project we have chosen to fundraise by cycling a certain distance and then to donate the money that we raise to the Blue Cross. We have chosen this charity because we all have pets and care about the welfare of animals. Blue cross helps support animals with no homes, ill pets, and grieving pet owners.

If you would like to support us please follow this link <https://gofund.me/d22f720e> to donate.

Thank you. Daria, Uma and Edith - S3D

## **CULHAM CALLING - DEADLINE FRIDAY 24th MARCH 2023**

Please send any articles / adverts that you would like to have published to

[culhamcalling@europaschool.uk](mailto:culhamcalling@europaschool.uk) before **Friday 24th March 2023**.

The next issue of Culham calling will be issued on Friday 31st March 2023.

## **UPCOMING PTA EVENTS**

### **March**

Friday 17th

IB art exhibition and PTA coffee morning (in the chapel)

Friday 31st

PTA Easter cake sale - cake donations will be needed

### **Further ahead**

April 28th

International Day - volunteers needed

June 17th

Summer Fete - volunteers needed

PTA-related contact : [committee@europa-pta.org](mailto:committee@europa-pta.org)



## **HELP FOR FAMILIES - HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND**

**Due to this extremely high level of demand the Household Support Fund is now closed in South Oxfordshire**

We are no longer accepting any new applications for this fund.

### **Other Help is still available**

If residents are struggling due to cost-of-living pressures the Community Hub can help.

We offer a wide range of advice, including information on free or affordable food banks and council tax support.

We can also signpost residents to debt advice, other cost-of-living support, information on housing support as well as guidance on how they can look after their mental health and wellbeing.

If residents need support they can contact our Community Hub Team during office hours on 01235 422600 or email [communitysupport@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:communitysupport@southandvale.gov.uk)

<https://www.southandvale.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Cost-of-Living-eleaflet-for-websites.jpg>

## **Short Story Competition 2023**

### **- Prize for best story -**

**Write a page-long story containing at least 3 nouns, 1 adjective and 1 adverb from**

**the categories below.**

**The story can be written in English, German, French, Spanish or Italian**

**(translate the words!).**

Choose 3 nouns			Choose 1 Adjective	Choose 1 Adverb
carrot	Europa School	language	tasty	slowly
silence	broom	tentacle	moody	never
key	lightning	secret	bilingual	foolishly
growl	library	parrot	blue	proudly
TikTok	goat	potion	free	ferociously
mistake	dragonfly	paintbrush	exotic	boldly

**Give it or email it to Mrs Mallett [b.mallett@europaschool.uk](mailto:b.mallett@europaschool.uk)**

**by Friday 17 March for a chance to**

**win a prize for the best short story.**

**Make sure you underline the chosen words in your text.**

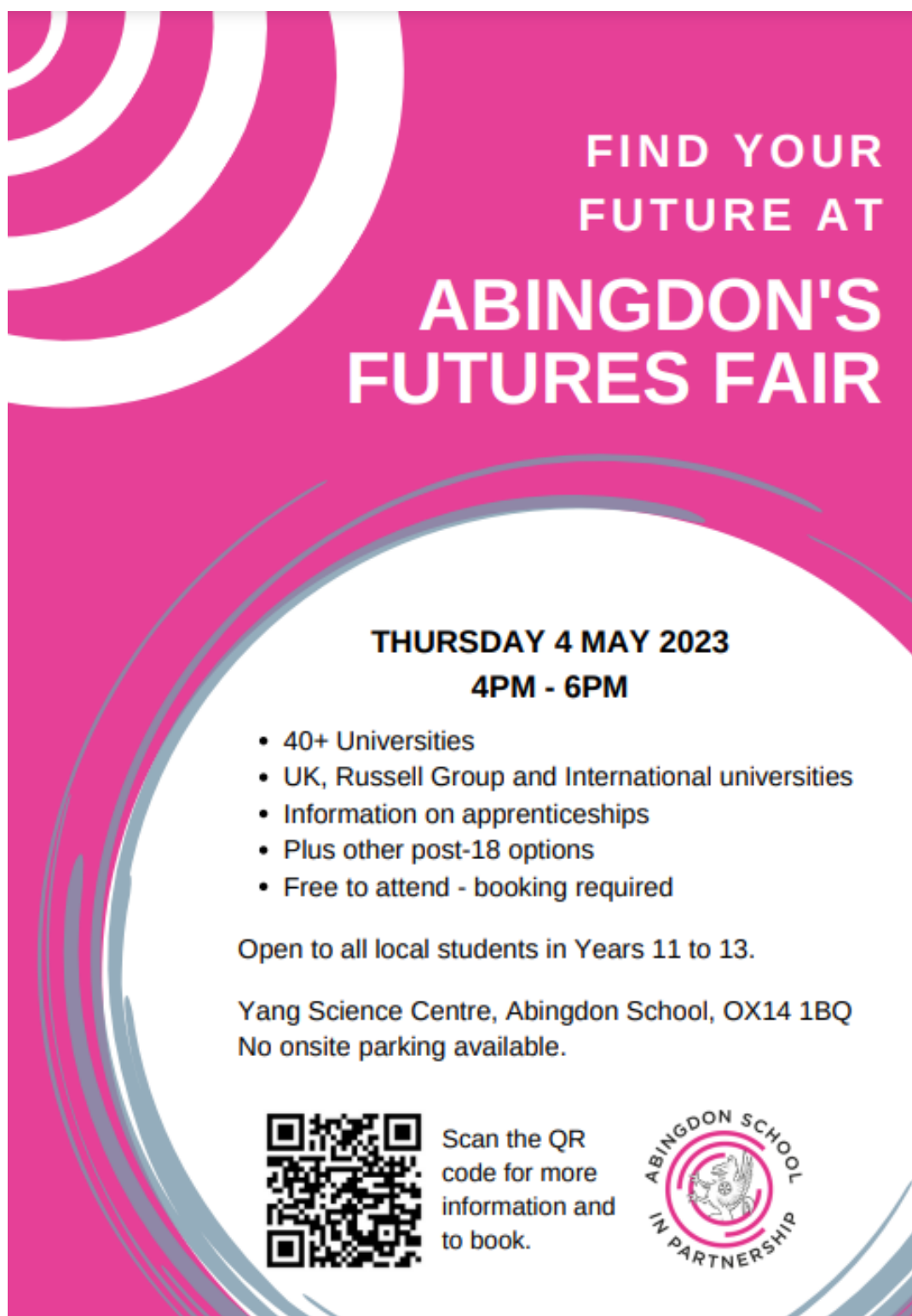


## **ABINGDON'S FUTURES FAIR THURSDAY 4th MAY 2023**

We hope that you can join us for the Futures Fair on Thursday 4th May 2023 between 4pm and 6pm. We have over 40 universities confirmed including UK Russell Group, leading modern universities and a range of international universities. There will also be information on apprenticeships and alternatives to university.

The Futures Fair is perfect for Year 12's who are currently exploring degree courses and university study and the event is also open to students in Years 11 and 13. We invite students and parents to book their space via the [event page](#).

Parents and guardians are welcome to attend with their students, but please note that there will not be parking available on our school grounds for this event.

A pink poster with white and grey curved graphic elements. The text is in white and black. It features a QR code and a circular logo for Abingdon School in Partnership.

**FIND YOUR  
FUTURE AT  
ABINGDON'S  
FUTURES FAIR**


**THURSDAY 4 MAY 2023  
4PM - 6PM**

- 40+ Universities
- UK, Russell Group and International universities
- Information on apprenticeships
- Plus other post-18 options
- Free to attend - booking required

Open to all local students in Years 11 to 13.

Yang Science Centre, Abingdon School, OX14 1BQ  
No onsite parking available.

 Scan the QR code for more information and to book.



<https://www.abingdon.org.uk/futures-fair-2/>



## **TRINITY BEYOND THE CLASSROOM (Online)**

Trinity College's academics and doctoral researchers have been part of a brilliant series of talks, *Trinity Beyond the Classroom*, offering super-curricular enrichment to secondary and sixth-form students at state schools since 2021 and we'd like *you* to be part of the third series in 2023.

Talks cover a wide range of subjects – for instance, Medicine, Social Sciences, Media, Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Engineering – and more talks will be announced once the series is underway on Tuesday 14 February. They are great examples of accessible super-curricular engagement, with the opportunity for students to engage, take part in polls, and ask questions live.

**The talks will take place online on Teams, at 4.00-5.30pm on Tuesdays from 14 February through to 11 July 2023.**

Attendees in the 2022 and 2021 series were from a wide range of school year groups, clustering most around Year 12.

### **Talks in the 2023 series:**

**14 February** *A General Measure of Health for Older People (Medicine, Biology, Social Sciences)*

**28 February** *Digital Health (Social Sciences, Media, Biology)*

**14 March** Philosophy & Machine Learning: Artificial Intelligence (Computer Science, Maths, Philosophy)

**28 March** Why governments usually win, but sometimes lose, elections (Politics, Sociology, History, HSPS - with Stephen Fisher, Professor of Political Sociology)

**25 April** The ethics of US intervention in South Africa's HIV/AIDS crisis (Medicine, Social Sciences, Public Policy)

**9 May** Batteries and their potential (Physics, Materials Science, Engineering)

**23 May** Catalysis in Chemistry: Metal-organic frameworks and their application on photocatalysis (Chemistry)

**6 June** Conversion to Islam in the Medieval Near East (Theology, History, Politics)

**20 June** to be finalised (by mid-February)

**11 July** Does Immorality make Artworks worse as Art? (Art, History of Art, English, Humanities, MFL)

**Students can register at [Trinity Beyond the Classroom 2023 registration](#) and will receive a Teams link in the 24 hours before each talk.**

## **PARENTS UCAS WEBINAR SERIES**

We are once again offering a series of webinars for the parents and carers of students looking to start university in 2023. We will also hold a parents' webinar on student finance in March 2023 and on accommodation in May 2023.

**Register for Webinars via the link below**

**<https://www.bath.ac.uk/topics/information-for-parents/>**



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**REGISTRATION CLOSES NEXT WEEK**

## WEEKEND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

**INTERACTIVE CAREER MASTERCLASSES FOR AGES 12-18**

We write to inform you that we are almost full for some of our most popular weekend career programmes, and registration is set to close next Sunday 23rd October.

On the programmes, students will participate in hands-on activities that give them a genuine experience of professional life. Programmes are available in 19 different careers, ranging from Medicine and Investment Banking, through to Art and Filmmaking.

All programmes take place on Sundays at UCL; there is also a live online option for those who cannot attend in-person.

REGISTRATION CLOSES NEXT WEEK

**VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 15-18**



**VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 12-14**






[www.investin.org](http://www.investin.org)


[info@investin.org](mailto:info@investin.org)


+44 (0)203 488 5089

[12-14 Weekend Programmes](#)

[15-18 Weekend Programmes](#)

\*Students can receive a 10% discount by inserting the code **EUROPASCHOOL10** at the registration page.



# Summer Career Experiences in London



Our Summer Experiences offer the ultimate, 360-degree experience of professional life for ages 12-18. Whilst weekend programmes are classroom-based, our Summer Experiences take place at top industry sites across London - including immersions in hospitals, courtrooms, skyscrapers, film sets and much more.

**Students can register for these now at a 15% discount.**

**SUMMER EXPERIENCES: AGES 15-18**

**SUMMER EXPERIENCES: AGES 12-14**

[12-14 Summer Career Experience in London](#)

[15-18 Young Summer Experiences 2023](#)

\*Students can receive a 10% discount by inserting the code **EUROPASCHOOL10** at the registration page.

## MUSIC

### SINGING GROUP

S1, S2 and S3 singing club meets on Fridays at lunch time in Brahms (music block).  
Open to all abilities. If you are interested please contact Mrs Scaber.

### MUSIC THEORY CLUB

S3 - S7 Music Theory club on Tuesday's 12h40 - 13h15  
For more information, please email [t.ognjenovic@europaschool.uk](mailto:t.ognjenovic@europaschool.uk)


### STRING CHAMBER GROUP



## **JOIN THE NETBALL CLUB**

Monday 12h35 - Period 6 - New Gym

S1 and S2 Boys and Girls



# **JOIN THE NETBALL CLUB**

**EVERY MONDAY PERIOD 6**

**LUNCH CLUB**

After the February break, we, the S6, are holding a Netball Club every Monday on period 6 at the New GYM.

**WHO CAN COME**

This club is targeted at S1 and S2 and both girls and boys are welcome to join. This will be a good experience for getting out of your comfort zone and trying something new, out of the PE school curriculum.

**FOR INFORMATION**

snas24@europaschool.uk  
smut24@europaschool.uk

Dear Parents and students, we (S6 students) are delighted to announce the opening of a netball club which will be running every Monday lunchtime and shall begin after the February break. This is an opportunity for both S1 and S2, boys and girls to try something that may be new and challenging, bringing them out of their comfort zones. We hope to see you there.



## **PARENT PORTAL**

Please check on the Parent Portal that your address and contact phone numbers are correct.

## **THAME LANE GATE**

Please do not push the red button on the post to open the Thame Lane gate to let people into school during the day. The incoming person must push the buzzer on the Intercom, so Reception can assess who can come on site. Thank you for your understanding.

### **REMINDER**

Thame Lane gate is locked at 08.45 each day. Any arrivals after that time must drive to the front of the school and sign in at Reception. The Thame Lane gate opens again at 3pm each day.

## **TOILETS AVAILABLE ON SITE**

### **FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN AT PICK UP TIME**

The Schuman Hall and Primary Library toilets are not for parents or children waiting to collect at the end of school. A toilet has been made available for drop off and end of school pick ups only, on the left of the small courtyard behind Reception. There is a red sign on the door.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **MARCH 2023**

Tuesday 14th March	S4 Parents evening ONLINE 19h00 - S3 Parent Presentation on Puy de Fou / DofE - Drama Studio
Wednesday 15th March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel - Vernissage
Thursday 16th March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel 10h30 - 11h30 S3 + P6 The Faraday Institute visit
Friday 17th March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel 08h15 PTA coffee morning - Chapel 9h50 + 12h35 S6 IB GEO trip cake sale
Monday 20th March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel 12h30 - 15h45 - S2 Carnegie Tea Larkmead School, Abingdon S6 + S7 16h45 Friendly Football match v St Clare school at the Oxford City FA
Tuesday 21st March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel Visit from Business Academy Czechia S4 Careers Fair, Kassam stadium
Wednesday 22nd March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel
Thursday 23rd March	S7 IB Art exhibition - Chapel - Final day S7 TOK exhibition - Chapel - Final day S6 Trinity College Workshop Visit from Business Academy Czechia S3 + S4 girls football v Langtree school - Oxfordshire small schools U15 county cup, round 2 - Away 17h30 - Music Soiree - Chapel
Monday 27th March	S1 Spring reports issued 15h00 - 19h00 IB Open day (late comers) ONLINE
Wednesday 29th March	S2 & S3 HPV 1+2 Catch up Vaccinations
Thursday 30th March	S3F trip Radley College La maison hantée by Onatti
Friday 31st March	S6 Interim Report issued

## EASTER HOLIDAY - MONDAY 3rd APRIL TO FRIDAY 14th APRIL 2023

### **APRIL 2023**

Tuesday 19th April	S6 UCAS Fair Winchester University
Tuesday 25th April	S2 Human Library (Careers Event)
Wednesday 26th April	9h50 + 12h35 S6 IB GEO trip cake sale

### **CONTACT EMAILS**

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

If you have any questions regarding UCAS and S4 Work Experience please contact Mrs Charalambous at [i.charalambous@europaschool.uk](mailto:i.charalambous@europaschool.uk)

If you have any questions regarding Careers please contact Mrs Powell at [l.powell@europsachool.uk](mailto: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](mailto:examsofficer@europaschool.uk)

If your child is absent please email [absence@europaschool.uk](mailto:absence@europaschool.uk) before 09h00