

SPRING MUSIC SOIREE

Congratulations and huge thanks to ALL taking part and supporting our Spring Music Soirée this week, super WELL DONE to all involved.



Spring Music Soirée

PROGRAMME

Rigadoon (*Purcell*) Sophie K and Sophie O SL, clarinet and saxophone
 Jumping Jazz Cat (*Faber*) Ruth K SL, piano
 Sunrise (*Walter Carroll*) Sophia B SL, piano
 Maple Leaf Rag (*Joplin*) Richie F SL, piano
 The Horseman's Night Ride (*Faber*) Elsa R SL, piano

Amazing Grace (*Newton, arr*) Elizabeth McN and Inka S S3, violin and piano
 River Flows In You (*Yiruma, arr*) Clementine and Daria S3, piano and guitar

Gavotte II (*Musette*) (*Bacchi*) Sophie O SL, clarinet
 Food Glorious Food (*Bart*) Jonathan J S2, cornet
 Meditation (*Massenet*) Emilia S S2, violin
 Lied ohne Worte Op.109 (*Mendelssohn*) Sofie U SL, violoncello

Vals poético (*Granados*) Lily-Jeanne B S4, piano
 Gabriel's Oboe (*Morricone*) Edith G S3, oboe
 Sunset (*Henson/Plum/Wong*) Tristan D S3, electronic guitar

INTERVAL of 15min

Rinaldo: Ouverture and aria Lascia ch'io pianga (*Händel*)
 The String Chamber Orchestra
 Soprano solo: Friederike U S4

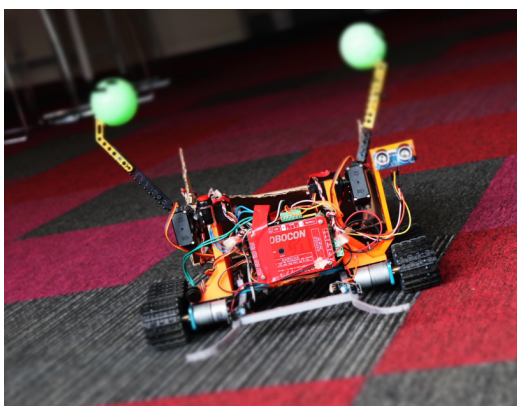
Indigo Moon (*Milne*) William W S4, piano
 Allegretto (*Tarrega*) Joshua B S4, guitar
 Prelude (*Bacchi*) Malaika A S4, viola
 The Sea Is Angry (*Alwyn*) Jonas K S4, piano

Arioso (*Bacchi*) Ingrid S S5, flute
 River Flows In You (*Yiruma*) Matteo W S4, piano
 Vidit suum (*Pergolesi*) Friederike U S4, voice
 Romance (*Svendson*) Hannah U S4, violin

Love Me Normally (*Wood*) Dylan R S6, voice and guitar
 C Minor Bach (*Ni*) Basil H S6, piano
 Dream a Little Dream Of Me (*Andre/Schurandt*) Daniel BB S5, voice and guitar
 Seven Pillars of Wisdom (*Sabatón*) Simon F S5, voice



RoboCon 2023



We are delighted to share the news that our team from the Europa School Coding Club recently participated in the RoboCon 2023 event, a robotics competition that aims to inspire and engage young minds. Our team, composed of Remi Marais and Adalric Rayner, performed exceptionally well in the competition, and we are extremely proud of their hard work and dedication.

The team put in a tremendous amount of effort into the competition, displaying enthusiasm, energy, creativity, and hard work. They left no stone unturned to ensure that their design was unique and innovative, and it certainly created a lot of excitement at the event.

Although we missed first place by a narrow margin, we are incredibly proud of our team's performance. More importantly, we all learned a great deal through the experience and gained valuable insights that will help us prepare better for future competitions.

At Europa School, we believe that competitions like RoboCon provide a fantastic platform for our students to showcase their talent and creativity, and we are committed to encouraging and supporting our students in their endeavours.

Once again, congratulations to our team on their impressive performance, and we look forward to hearing more about their future achievements and having a larger team next year.

Contact Johan Marais for more information and to participate next year: j.marais@europaschool.uk

U19 BOYS FOOTBALL MATCH



On Monday 20th March the U19 boys (S6 and S7) played the St Clare's IB school from Oxford. The venue was at the Oxford City FC so we enjoyed a great quality 3G pitch. The game was arranged as a friendly match between two IB schools who have a lot in common and cooperate widely. However, there were signs of great excitement like any derby has.

Due to the dense traffic we arrived about 5 minutes late and had a very short time to warm up. Probably thanks to this the first 10 minutes were very hard for us. St Clare's made the most of their advantage of playing on their home pitch and put us under big pressure. However, our defence was strong and we did not allow any clear chances. Oscar securely collected all the shots which got through.

As the game went on it levelled up and changed into a great battle of two evenly matched teams. We benefited from a strong defence lead and organised by Julien. Basil matched the opposition's fastest runner on the pitch and eliminated his dangerous raids on the right wing. Poldi and Luke stopped the opposition's best player (our former student) from any serious attempts. Michal and Thomas collected most of the high crosses and distributed good passes. Nael, Kiran, Stas and Isaac worked tirelessly in the midfield sending good passes to Luca who showed some dangerous attempts against St Clare's goal. The first half finished 0:0 and after a very short break the second half carried on in the same intensity and pace.

Eventually, our good teamwork seemed to tire the opposition out and we were getting upper hand. Our attacks were more dangerous and St Clare's defence had a lot of work. Stas took a low cross corner which was deflected out. He took another one and curved it perfectly.... into the goal! 1:0 for us!

Now, Europa was really dangerous. Eventually, about 3 minutes to the end of the game, after a great work in the midfield, Luca received a great pass through and scored our second goal. St Clare's could not answer that and we won 2:0!

Thank you to all the S6 and S7 players, supporting parents and teachers. Thank you also to Mr Moriarty for refereeing the game. Thank you to all the Europa students who travelled to Oxford and supported their team. We all had a great time! M. Stepan

LIBRARY

CARNEGIE MEDAL

The Carnegie season has started ! 13 Europa students in S2 went to Larkmead school in Abingdon to discover the 7 books they will read in the next 3 months. 5 other secondary schools from Abingdon were there too.

After looking at the cover, reading the first page and studying the blurb, their favourite book is the controversial book *The Eternal Return of Clara Hart* by Louise Finch. Will it still be their favourite when they start reading it? The next big meeting will be in May in Abingdon, but in the meantime the students will meet every fortnight for their book club to discuss their reads, write book reviews and have lots of activities related to books.



SHORT STORY COMPETITION

The entries are absolutely outstanding, making it very tough for the judges to select the winners. Our three fabulous judges are Sophie with the reception team Susi and Leon.

There will be three categories of winners:

- Best short story S1-S4,
- Best short story S5-S6,
- Best short story written in a foreign language.

The winners will be announced in the next newsletter ... Watch this space!

NEW LEGO CLUB

NEW *LEGO* CLUB STARTING NOW!



**Every *Monday* lunch time
in the *study room*.**



WIND IN THE WILLOWS

Over 30 Primary and Secondary pupils are going to perform Wind in the Willows on 30 June and 1 July, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Europa School.

We hope you will save the date and come along with friends and family?

We are looking to offer any of your businesses advertising space in the programme, should you be interested?

WE NEED HELP

Are you able to help with preparing the programme for printing? Copy and put up posters? Cut up tickets? Selling tickets? Join a sewing group? (no skill needed, most of it is fitting, glueing, stapling or going to shop in Primark!) help with the set cutting out leaves. Helping backstage during the shows with dressing and face painting. All jobs which are necessary to bring an amazing show for the children and help to bring together different year groups and families at our wonderful school.

Please let Susi or Leon in Reception know if you can help in any way. Reception@europaschool.uk

Save the dates : Wind in the Willows 10th Anniversary Celebration Friday 30th June and Saturday 1st July in the Schuman Hall.



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

ATTENTION ALL BUS USERS

For serious or urgent welfare issues that occur on the buses please report them directly to the school at principal@europaschool.uk

For other behavioural problems, queries and issues please continue to contact bloc (info@blocbus.org). We will involve the school when appropriate for issues reported to us directly.

SCHOOLBASE EMAILS

We are having some problems with our schoolbase emails. It appears that we are not receiving all responses from recipients who click reply when responding to an email that they have received directly from Schoolbase.

We are doing our best to get this problem resolved as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you respond to a school email and do not know the direct email address of the person you wish to write to, please send your response to reception@europaschool.uk with the subject and name of the person in the subject line and we will pass your email on to the correct member of staff.

Thank you for your understanding.

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

PTA Easter Cake Sale & Toys Tombola - Friday 31 March 3pm
Please plan to bake / buy (nut-free) - we will appreciate all cake donations on the day.
More information: <https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/946561646>

International Day - Friday 28th April 2023
5 or more country stalls are still needed. Can you help? Learn more about this fun event for Primary pupils
<https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/958150643>
Add your name and interest on the volunteer form: <https://forms.gle/zPbHdGGBcTSxomkF9>

House and garden plant sales - May & June 2023
Gardeners - a little notice to start propagating away for upcoming plant sales.

10th Anniversary Summer Fête - Saturday 17th June 2023
Save the date! <https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/954460670>
We need MANY helpers to plan and run the fête in this our 10th anniversary year. Make this extra memorable
and fun for all the family (Primary AND Secondary).
Indicate your area of interest on the volunteer form: <https://forms.gle/HwiZ4qYpcq4xrMJB6>

Interested in getting involved or finding out more about the PTA? Contact the PTA Committee or visit Europa
School UK Parents on Classlist for the latest updates, events news and discussion.
<https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/home>
PTA email 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

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

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/>

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


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

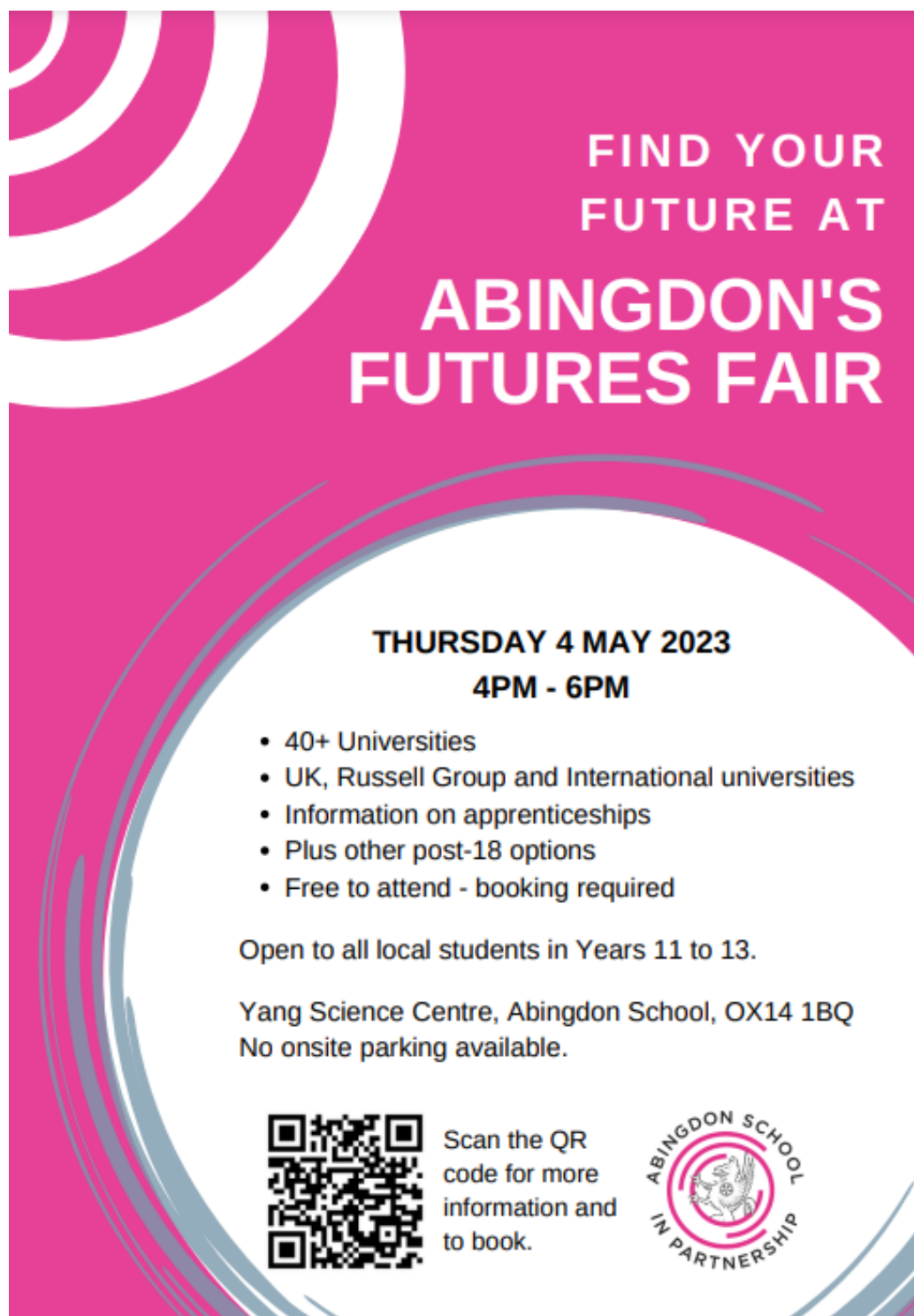
Dear Parents and students, we (S6 students) are delighted to announce the opening of a netball club which will be running every Monday lunchtime and shall begin after the February break. This is an opportunity for both S1 and S2, boys and girls to try something that may be new and challenging, bringing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

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 lines. The text is in white and black. It includes the title 'FIND YOUR FUTURE AT ABINGDON'S FUTURES FAIR', the date and time 'THURSDAY 4 MAY 2023 4PM - 6PM', a list of features, the location 'Yang Science Centre, Abingdon School, OX14 1BQ', and a QR code with a link to the event page. The Abingdon School logo is in the bottom right corner.

**FIND YOUR
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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.

 ABINGDON SCHOOL
IN PARTNERSHIP

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

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

Monday 27th March	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 09h50 + 12h35 S6 GEO trip cake sale

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

APRIL 2023

Tuesday 19th April	S6 UCAS Fair Winchester University S5 GCSE Mathematics Paper 1
Friday 21st April	S6 GEO trip cake sale From 15h45 DofE Bronze practice expedition
Saturday 22nd April	DofE Bronze
Tuesday 25th April	S2 Human Library (Careers Event)
Wednesday 26th April	9h50 + 12h35 S6 IB GEO trip cake sale From 12h35 DofE Silver practice expedition
Thursday 27th April	DofE Silver practice expedition
Friday 28th April	DofE Silver practice expedition

S7 IB Diploma - Tuesday 2nd May to Friday 19th May

S5 GCSE Maths and English

Friday 19th May - S5 GCSE Mathematics Paper 1
Monday 5th June - S5 GCSE English Language Paper 1
Wednesday 7th June - S5 GCSE Mathematics Paper 2
Monday 12th June - S5 GCSE English Language Paper 2
Wednesday 14th June - S5 GCSE Mathematics Paper 3

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