



EUROPA SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

17th January 2025



WRITING COMPETITION

French and Spanish Flash Fiction Competition

The Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages invites secondary school pupils to submit a complete story in French or Spanish of no more than 100 words for the chance to win up to £100.

The entries will be judged by a panel of academics who will be looking for creativity, imagination and narrative flair, as well as linguistic accuracy. There are three age categories: Years 7-9 (ages 11-14), Years 10-11 (ages 14-16) and Years 12-13 (ages 16-18). There will be prizes for a winner and two runners up per category, with certificates being awarded to those who have been highly commended by the judges. They will also be published on the [Adventures on the Bookshelf](#) blog with the entrants' permission.

Submission forms and further information can be found on the [competition webpage](#). Students may only submit one story per language and you may wish to direct them to last year's winning entries in [French](#) and [Spanish](#) for inspiration.

The submission deadline is 12 noon on 31 March. Please note that pupils must enter this competition themselves and work cannot be submitted on their behalf by a teacher. Any other questions can be sent to schools.liason@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk.

Diary

Tue 21st Jan	Interyear Volleyball S1 Parents' Evening
Thur 23rd Jan	S2 Girls Badminton v SHSK, 15h00
Tue 28th Jan	TOUMUN (return 1 Feb)
Wed 29th Jan	Intermediate Maths Challenge (S3 to S5)
Fri 31st Jan	Languages Conference

British Science Week 2025

7th–16th March 2025

We're gearing up for British Science Week 2025, and this year's theme is Change and Adapt. We'd love for you to be part of it!

It's completely flexible—whether you can spare an hour, a day, or just some ideas, every bit helps. Examples include talks, supervising activities, hosting mock interviews, or sharing innovative products.

Let us know how you'd like to join.

No strings attached!

[Sign Up Here](#)

British Science Week

call for the community

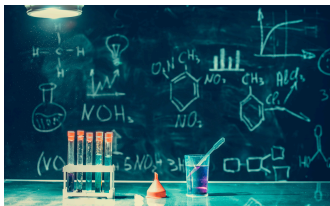


Register your interest to take part
or email a.reis@europaschool.uk



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New Chemistry Laboratory Campaign Meeting 30/1/25



As you know the school has been working over several years to improve the school site, developing primary classrooms and more recently provision of study and learning spaces such as the sixth form study centre and the Mediathèque.

We are continuing this year with several projects on the drawing board! Our key priorities are to address surface drainage issues and improve recreational spaces in the primary school and developing classroom spaces in the secondary school to meet the requirements of our growing pupil numbers.

One of the classroom projects is to create a new Chemistry laboratory by joining two smaller labs on the ground floor of the science block, adjacent to the main Chemistry prep room. Chemistry is a compulsory subject in S4 and S5 for all students and is a very popular option at IB Diploma, so this project will benefit all students coming through the school.

I would like to invite you to a meeting regarding this exciting development at the school on Thursday 30th January at 7pm in the Drama Studio. I will be joined by several members of the science team to explain the rationale for the project and present our current plans. We will be able to give you a guided visit to the proposed lab.

I will also explain some of the other projects we are planning across the site.

I look forward to meeting you on Thursday 30 January at 7pm.

BREAKING NEWS

Europa U15 Boys win in the 4th Round of the ESFA Small Schools Cup 8-3 versus Hayle Academy.



Full match report to follow next week

Library Donations



Secondary Library - Please contact b.mallett@europaschool.uk to discuss your potential donations.

Primary Library - they are only accepting Spanish and French books until further notice.



Pottery Workshop

On Tuesday this week the S6 and S7 students had a wonderful day in the pottery studio with our fantastic 3D specialist Zoe.

S6 worked on Cubist sculptures while the S7 students were able to work on individual projects in preparation for their upcoming Visual Arts exhibition.

We look forward to using the new kiln and exhibiting the students' work in the spring.

Visual Arts Europa School UK



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Secondary Clubs Spring Term 2025

Day	Timing	Year Group	Club	Location
Monday	Lunchtime	S1 to S6	Go Ecolo Club (Club of Ecology)	Room 331
Monday	After school	S4 to S7	Model United Nations Club	Room 331
Monday	Lunchtime		Linguistics Olympiad	Room 106
Monday	Lunchtime	S3 & S4	S3/4 Book Club (Abingdon Young Adult Book Award)	Drama studio/Chapel
Tuesday	Lunchtime	S4,S5 & S6	Philosophy Club	Room 3
Tuesday	Lunchtime	S1 to S5	Maths Challenge Club	Room 104
Wednesday	Lunchtime	S1 to S5	Ambassador of Europe (EPAS)	Room 233
Wednesday	Lunchtime	All years	Table tennis	Old Gym
Thursday	12:45 - 13:15		String Chamber Orchestra	Room 151
Thursday	Lunchtime	S4 to S7	Model United Nations Club	Room 331
Friday	12:45 - 13:15	S1 to S4	Singing Group	Room 151
Friday	12:35 -13:20		Boardgames	Room 127
Tuesday and Friday	Lunchtime		Warhammer Club	Room 120
Starting from Monday 13 January	Lunchtime	S1 to S4	Dance Club - Hip Hop	Dance studio

RECYCLE YOUR MAKE UP WITH MAYBELLINE



Bring it to room 11

EVERY MONDAY

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What: PRELOVED CLOTHES and SHOES

COLLECTION with Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools to raise funds for our school and recycle well.

When: 30 January 2025 from 8 to 9 am

Where: Under the canopy near the Thame lane entrance

YES, please: clean, good condition adult and children's clothes, paired shoes tied together, hats and scarves, handbags and belts. This will be taken by the weight for reuse and a donation paid to the school.

NO, thank you: uniforms, socks, dirty items, ripped or stained clothes.

Please visit

<https://rags2riches4schools.co.uk/what-we-collect/> for full details of what is accepted.