



# EUROPA SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

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## Special guest in ReligionS2F



On Thursday, S2F was provided with a visit for our religion class. We have been studying Sikhism for a while, but never really had the opinions or perspectives of a Sikh, until Mani came and let us ask questions. We learnt what it was like to be Sikh, and that not every Sikh is the same, true to all religions. Mani let us ask questions freely without feeling offended, even brought a traditional Sikh instrument called the Sarangi, which he showed us and explained each part to us.

We all found out many more things about Sikhism than we expected—after learning about it for a few months already. Mani disagreed on things that some Sikhs preached about, which we agreed to. For example, some Sikhs thought poorly of a Sikh marrying a non-Sikh in a Sikh temple, while Mani countered that it was totally fine and it had been for a while in history. We found out many things about Mani himself as well, and his experience being a Sikh, like getting discriminated against when he was younger, what age he wore his turban and even what his favourite thing was to eat in the langar (which is dhal).

The whole lesson was honestly and sincerely extremely engaging. The atmosphere was calm, relaxed, but also buzzing with excitement. Mani had been energetic and described everything with perfect precision, but making it so that we can also understand better. We all learnt many things and had a lot of fun.

Thank you so much for coming, Mani.

By Atiya H. S2F



## Diary

1 <sup>st</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> June	DofEGoldS5's - Forest of Dean
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Goethe Exams: Fit A2 and B1J
1 <sup>st</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	S4 Assessments
8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	S3 French Exchange group at Europa
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> June	S6 Biology Trip
Sat 6-7 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Titans Football Tournament
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> June	S1 Trip to Combe Mill (2 <sup>nd</sup> group)
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> June	S6 University fair
	S6 University of Winchester trip
	S1 Big Bang Science fair Birmingham
8 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup> June	DofE S7
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Hadrian's Wall group 1
	Carnegie Forum S2, Abingdon
18 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup> June	School Play Performance
Fry 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent Careers - Chapel at 8am
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Music Soiree S1/2/3
22 <sup>nd</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Cabaret
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Clothes & Shoes Collection
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fête
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of term
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> July	IB Proclamation ceremony

### Advanced notice for the Music Soirée dates

Our termly concerts will take place: 

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June** for S1/2/3 and the ensembles

**Tue 30<sup>nd</sup> June** for S4/5/6/7 and the ensembles

*All those who would like to perform will need to play their pieces to Mrs Scaber or Ms Ognjenovic by 12<sup>th</sup> June for the first Soirée*

*by 19<sup>th</sup> June for the second Soirée*





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## Europa Summer Theatre Project

A theatre project which we have been writing and developing at the school through the spring term.

A comedy murder mystery set in a school, it is tentatively titled He's Dead to Her, and is a play with music and dancing.

*Performances: Thursday 18th, Friday 19th and Saturday 20th June*

## ESAA track and field competition at Tilsley park



On Monday 11th May a group of 60 Europa school athletes competed in the local round of ESAA track and field competition at Tilsey Park.

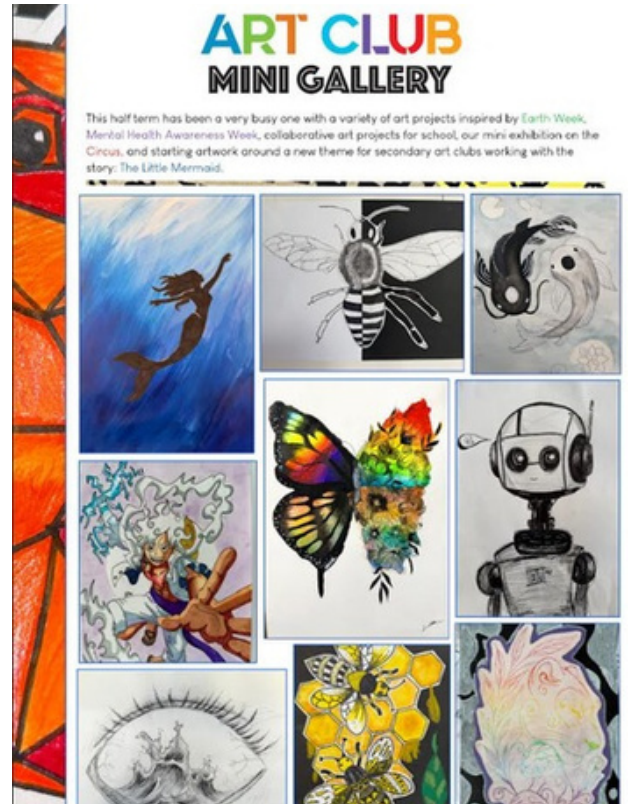
All Europa students performed excellently, representing our school very well. The Junior boys (S1+S2) and Intermediate boys (S3+S4) won their groups and should be progressing into the regional rounds. Thank you to all hard working students and staff helpers. Well done all!

### Intermediate boys

Posn	Points	School
1	290	Europa School Uk, Abingdon
2	270	Lord Williams's School, Thame
3	220	Wood Green School, Witney
4	211	Abingdon School, Abingdon
5	185	St Birinus School, Didcot

### Junior boys

Posn	Points	School
1	332	Europa School Uk, Abingdon
2	272	Wood Green School, Witney
3	220	Abingdon Prep School, Abingdon
4	216	Abingdon School, Abingdon
5	209	Burford School, Burford
6	199	Lord Williams's School, Thame
7	189	St Birinus School, Didcot
8	137	The Cherwell School, Oxford



## Happy Half Term from the ART CLUB



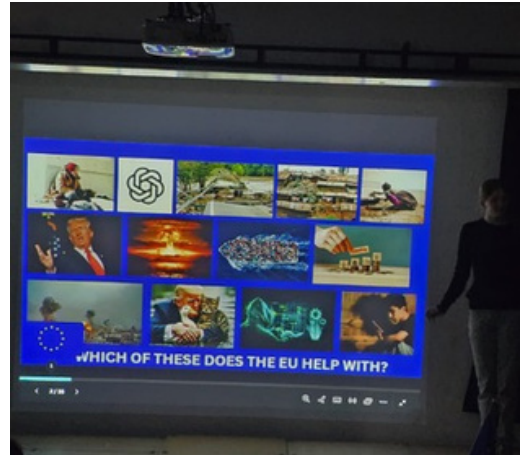
Please email for any Art Club queries or feedback: [l.arnold@europaschool.uk](mailto:l.arnold@europaschool.uk)



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## Europe Day Celebration at School



As part of Europe Day (9 May), our EPAS (European Parliament Ambassador School) Junior Ambassadors organised a fantastic event to celebrate Europe, its values, and the spirit of cooperation that connects us all.

Students took the lead by delivering an engaging and interactive presentation to their peers, which really highlighted the collaborative spirit at the heart of the EPAS programme. The event also included a vibrant photography exhibition, with over 90 entries submitted. It was incredibly difficult to choose the winners, as there is so much creative talent among our students.

One of the highlights was an interactive session where students discussed the challenges young people face today, and explored how European institutions can support them through a wide range of programmes and opportunities available across Europe.

The celebration ended on a high note with an awards ceremony recognising the best contributions. The winners were: [1st place], [2nd place], and [3rd place].

We would like to warmly thank all students and staff who took part and supported the event, making it such a success. This initiative truly reflected the energy and value of the EPAS programme in our school.

Join the EPAS club and be part of the change!

Sandrine Philippot-Gasc and Isabel López

First place : Hugo (S2F)

Second place: Alba (S2E)

Third place : Olivia (S3F)





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HELP AT THE SUMMER FETE 

## SUMMER FETE VOLUNTEERS



For this year's summer fete, a different activity has been assigned to each year group, please sign up for a one hour shift if you can using the links below:

- Reception/Y1: [Bouncy castle](#)
- Y2: Sol Samba drumming workshops (times tbc)
- Y3: [Traditional games](#)
- Y4: Basketball competition (times tbc)
- Y5: [Plant stall](#)
- Y6: [Teddy bear sale](#)
- S1: [Sweets/popcorn/candy floss](#)
- S2, S3: [Cake stall](#)
- S4: [Coconut shy](#)
- S5, S6: [Face painting](#)
- S7: Welly Wanging



## LAPTOPS



30 more laptops have been repurposed and delivered from SOFEA to help secondary students with their studies. That's a total of 90 this academic year!

DIY evening on 15 May: the music block doors and downstairs girls toilet had a glow up.



## COMING UP

Click on event title for details

- Fri 5 June Hamper photos
- 6/7 June [Titans' tourn.](#)
- Fri 12 June [DIY evening](#)
- Sun 14 June [DIY day](#)
- Fri 19 June [DIY evening](#)
- Th 25 June [Rags2Riches](#)
- Sat 27 June [Summer fete](#)

## FACE PAINTING LEAD NEEDED!



We are looking for a volunteer to lead our popular Face Painting stall at the Summer Fete on Saturday 27 June. You'll help coordinate a small team of students and pick some fun, simple designs. All supplies will be provided, and you don't need to be Picasso - just willing to help us create a vibrant day for the school community.

If interested, please email [secretary@europa-pta.org](mailto:secretary@europa-pta.org)