



EUROPA SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2024



Safer School Access Petition



A petition has been launched for a safe crossing near the school, as well as an improvement to the path that connects Abingdon to Europa and the Science Centre. [Please Sign Here](#)

Diary

Tues 26th Nov	S3 Parents' Evening
Thur 28th Nov	S4-S7 Music Soiree
Tues 3rd Dec	Ski Trip Info Meeting
Sat 7th Dec	PTA Christmas Fair
Tues 10th Dec	Flu Vaccinations
Thur 12th Dec	S1-S3 Music Soiree

Jonas talks about his MUN experience

Representing Israel, Jonas tackled topics like transhumanism and vaccine distribution, blending extensive research with strategic debate skills. By incorporating his country's beliefs and focusing on fair resolutions that benefited Israel, he secured his success.

Jonas credited his selective criticism, active listening, and diligent preparation as key factors in achieving this recognition.



[Read Zayana & Oscar's full article here](#)

Experiencing Trinity College

We are delighted to share the highlights of our recent Visit Day to Trinity College, Oxford, on Wednesday, 13th November 2024. Twelve of our S5 students had the incredible opportunity to experience life at a world-class university. They engaged in insightful discussions with current undergraduates, enjoyed a meal in the historic dining hall, explored the college grounds, and participated in an inspiring academic session. The students represented our school brilliantly, showing enthusiasm, curiosity, and a commitment to learning. We are proud of their contributions and hope this experience has inspired them to aim high in their future academic endeavours.

"The visit to Trinity College in Oxford was a very engaging and informative event, the lovely staff and ambassadors were very enthusiastic to answer our queries and passionate to share their experiences at the university, to which I found very intriguing and expanded my understanding about university life in general. The college itself was such a beautiful site with older prestigious buildings and also some newer modern facilities. A bonus to this trip was the very enjoyable lunch on campus - the college made sure to treat us well." - Inka S



Europa School Vacancies

Administration & Executive Support Coordinator

Full time, term time plus 4 weeks. January 2025

Temporary Girls PE Teacher

1 or 2 terms from January 2025

europaschooluk.org/careers-at-europa/

NEW Linguistics Club S3-S7

Are you in S3-S7 and have an interest in codebreaking and languages?

Try out the new linguistics club on Monday lunchtimes in room 106. We'll go through and solve puzzles every week, with the goal of preparing for the UK Linguistics Olympiad 2025. See [UKLO](#) for more information on the competition.

Parents, do you have a background in linguistics and/or codebreaking?

The linguistics club is keen to receive visitors to give talks about a linguistics or codebreaking topic of your choice, so if you are interested or have questions, please email me at jkau26@europaschool.uk.



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LIBRARY NEWS



Congratulations to our voracious readers in the school: Charlie W borrowed 35 books from the library since September, closely followed by Savannah CC with 30 books!

Come and collect a prize from the librarian!



Competition: Show off your artistic talents and create the Ex libris (= decorative labels for the library books) for 2025. See the posters around the school for more details or ask the librarian. Entries to be submitted by the 9 December.

For all the S3 and S4 bookworms

Would you like to take part in the Abingdon YABA Book Club?

- 6 books to read (all the books are provided) & NO book reviews to write!
- 1 big event in February with 6 other schools,
- 1 trophy to bring home for the winners of the inter-school quiz (Europa has won it 3 times in a row!).

Book Club for S3 and S4 is starting at lunchtime on Monday 2 December in the drama studio: come and join us. All books are provided.



Interyear Basketball

On Tuesday 19th November, the ESUK S7 students in co-operation with the PE department, organised the traditional Basketball inter-year tournament. The boys and girls from the whole secondary participated in basketball games, celebrating the end of the basketball block and showing off their athleticism, team spirit and skills.

The matches showed some really amazing and memorable moments. Luke (S1) won the 3 point throw competition demonstrating his fantastic shooting skills. S7 boys recorded the highest win ever: 38:4. The tournament was a super success indeed! Thank you to the whole organisational team - S7 students and the Europa School PE department for putting together such a fantastic event!



Small School Cup



On Monday 18th November **Europa U15 boys football** team travelled a long way to challenge the Avon Valley College in the ESFA U15 small schools cup. We arrived a bit late due to the dense traffic but after a short warm up our boys started the game very well.

We put the other team under the pressure from the very beginning which materialised in a goal scored by Alex after a great corner kick from Jamie. Just four minutes later Otis showed a great movement and scored our second. Another three minutes later Otis added another goal after great pressure. Just one minute later, Felix scored our fourth goal. Jamie added the fifth goal in the 25th minute of the game. What a ballistic first half!

In the second half there were so many other opportunities but eventually only Boris managed to score. The match finished with our fantastic victory 6:0. Congratulations to the whole U15 team - starting with Leo - our fearless goalkeeper, the defence (Evan, Lucas, John and Luc) who held strong, the centres who ruled the middle (Felix, Alex, Otis), quick and creative wings (Jamie, Elliot and Ilyan), and strikers Harvey with Boris. The whole bench also participated in the great success! Well done and good luck in the third round!

SPORTS ROUNDUP



22nd November 2024

Europa School UK

Senior School

Winter Music Soirée

Thursday 28th November

5.00 pm in the Chapel

Donations at the end

EUROPA SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FÊTE

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER

11am - 3pm

Europa School, Culham, OX14 3DZ

Call for volunteers

We need more volunteers to run the fair and make it a success! Please join our [WhatsApp group](#)

Europa School PCA Christmas Fair Raffle

Buy Your Tickets Here:

JOIN ACCENT & SUPPORT

NOVEMBER

Donate

Movember Muffins

Charity Muffin Sale Thurs 28th & Fri 29th Nov in the canteen. All proceeds to Men's Health charities

KREATIVE kids

FESTIVE ART

Join us for one day of **FESTIVE ART** fun! We will be making festive Art and decorations. Join **Jess & Laure** at **Europa School**:

Saturday 14 December
10:00 - 3:00pm
£46 / day
For ages 9 - 14

All materials supplied

Email us to book: kreativekidsartcamp@gmail.com

School Photos

Please could students collect their photos from Reception

Fri 22 Nov YEAR S1
 Mon 25 Nov YEAR S2
 Tues 26 Nov YEAR S3
 Wed 27 Nov YEAR S4
 Thur 28 Nov YEAR S5

Please contact Susi in Reception with queries

DONATE TODAY AND STAND WITH PEOPLE FACING HOMELESSNESS THIS CHRISTMAS.

Crisis at Christmas

It is the same time of the year when the Europa school community comes together to donate food and other items to the Crisis Appeal. This is our 7th year of supporting the local homeless charity.

This year the collection will be from Monday 25th November to Thursday 12th December. There will be a box for donations at the Main Reception from Monday onwards.

Donations needed for Crisis at Christmas

This year we need the following:

- Tinned food (Soups, Stews, Rice Pudding, Tinned Fruit etc)
- Pasta, rice and noodles
- Pot Noodles, Cup-a-Soup, Instant Porridge
- Cereal bars/ Energy Bars
- Chocolate / Sweet Biscuits
- Nuts, crisps, dried fruit
- Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate
- Seasonal treats (mince pies, cakes, selection boxes)
- Dog Food & Cat Food

We are accepting donations now. Please contact christmas.oxford@crisis.org.uk to let us know what you are collecting for us and to arrange delivery. Find us on Facebook: Crisis Skylight Oxford

Thank you for supporting people facing homelessness this Christmas.