



EUROPA SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

29th 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

Mon 2nd Dec	Gabrieli ROAR Sec Singing group
	S1 Boys vs Cranford House - Home
Tues 3rd Dec	Ski Trip Info Meeting
Thurs 5th Dec	S2 Parents' Evening
Sat 7th Dec	PTA Christmas Fair
Tues 10th Dec	Flu Vaccinations
Thur 12th Dec	S1-S3 Music Soiree
	U15 football vs LVS Ascot - Home
Fri 13th Dec	Junior Ball

Remembrance Day

The wind was an angry howl
The sky a carpet of grey and cloud
The rain making the ground look fowl
My fellow companions wanting to make
their country proud
The poppies a symbol to remember
The blue cornflower as well
Reaching the end of the war, november
Birds, singing, reminds me of the town bells
Guns not giving me hope
Friendships binding us like ropes
Sasha Peter, S1E

On the eleventh of November we had a minute of silence for the soldiers that gave their life for their country . On this day we wrote about the topic and discussed if we should give a minute of silence . We came to the conclusion that it was important and that although the event happened a long time ago. At eleven o'clock a few S5 Army Cadets-Edie, Raphaël and Nik- led by Simon from S7 placed the poppies by the tree in the sunken garden . After that there were a few speeches from Mrs Wood and Governors and we then resumed our lessons . I think this is a nice act and we should continue this ceremony for next year .
Iciar Audibert, S1



Remembrance Day at Europa

Dear Diary,
Today was a good day .The day began with a blue sky , you could see a few clouds from the field's perspective . But then our glory ended . Bombs were heard from a distance and soldiers ran down the field . There was a rumour going round today , The 11 of November , the war has ended ! All of a sudden , the birds sang and the soldiers that ran past us earlier now came back and looked at us .
Poppy.

EPAS Club: Cultural Exchange

A group of students from our school's EPAS Club had the unique opportunity to participate in a cultural exchange program with peers from the UK, Ireland, Belgium, and the Netherlands. The trip, which took place over three days, was hosted in the historic towns of Brussels and Ypres. It was an unforgettable experience filled with learning, connection, and exploration. [Read the Full Article Here](#)



CAREERS NEWS

You're invited!

We're ending 2024 on a high with a very special Oxplore livestream from the [Ashmolean Museum](#). Join us from 2pm on Wednesday 18 December as we take on the Big Question: Do we make our own luck? To help us decide if luck is rooted in destiny, ritual or simple probability, we've invited along some very special guests from the University of Oxford. There'll be a show and tell of ancient artefacts from the museum's collection as well as an opportunity to quiz the experts in a Q&A. Participation is free and the only technical requirements are internet access and a free [Vimeo](#) account. We look forward to seeing you online!



Do we make our own luck?

Join a live discussion for ages 11-18 with special guests from the University of Oxford

Home of Big Questions
OXFORD **OX?PLORE**

Register for free

Trinity College Beyond the Classroom Online Academic Enrichment Programme back in 2025!

What Our online after-school academic enrichment programme is back for 2025 and will feature a new series of mini lectures, Oxplore taster sessions, academic skills talks and advice about preparing for university study. A certificate of participation from Trinity College, Oxford, for those attending 7 or more sessions! Plus an extension programme for students in year 12 considering applying to study one of the 19 subjects Trinity College admits for study at the University of Oxford. The Extension Programme includes a FREE one night- two day residential taking place at Trinity College on the 10-11th April 2025, a mini tutorial in chosen subject area, access to the library, free time for revision and private study to explore the subject in more detail and meet other participants on the programme. Throughout the year, students are also supported with suggested reading and other materials, take, online mini tutorials and will receive additional support with their Oxford application.

Who Any state school student in Year 7 to 12 interested in exploring learning across a broad range of themes and cross subject beyond the classroom and/or applying to Oxford.

When Beginning 5 March until 9 July 2025. Year 12 Deadline for applying for extension programme.

Where Online via Teams. Students can sign up to Beyond the Classroom & the Extension Programme now by completing our [Registration Form](#).

In the last 2 weeks we had students considering **what a green career means**. Thanks to some S6 students we had over 30 very attractive posters explaining different professions displayed throughout the school. We also want to thank Mrs Mallet, who created a space in the library for pupils to voice their concerns about careers in the environmental sector. The space was an eye-opener to our ongoing research in this vital topic. We are keen to continue exploring what the future holds for our students in this field.

our thanks to

Mrs Mallet - Our wonderful Librarian
Wendy, Alison, Hazel, Izabela, Tommy, Vlada
Teacher and lab technicians who helped with displaying the posters around the school

Prof^{em} Adriana Reis - ESS

Mrs Bossie-Chetty - Careers Coordinator





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LIBRARY NEWS



From Monday, take part in the daily Advent Calendar challenges in the library: a new one revealed every day ...



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.



Competition: Show off your artistic talents and create the Ex libris (= decorative labels for the library books) for 2025. Entries to be submitted by 9 December.

[Find more information here](#)



Europa School UK
S1 - S3
Winter Music Soirée
 Thursday 12th December
 5.00 pm in the Chapel

Donations for Europa Music Department are welcomed at the end

Europa School PTA
Christmas Fair Raffle

Buy Your Tickets Here:

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](#)

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



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.

