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Friday 5th October 2018

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## Fox Trot 2018



Members of the Sixth Form have enjoyed the annual Fox Trot; from climbing the 557m Pendle Hill where George Fox had a vision of 'a great people to be gathered' to visiting the infamous Swarthmoor Hall, known as the 'headquarters' of Quakerism in the 17th century. Quaker week began with a bang as we spent the weekend retracing Fox's footsteps; the founder of the Religious Society of Friends.

To see the foundations of a religion and where it all began was an empowering and action-packed experience, a breath of fresh air and a change from lessons in school and our day-to-day lives to instead experience a complete immersion into the history of Quakers.



Overall, it was an awesome four days, filled with walking, magnificent views and new friendships, which helped me appreciate the shared values Quakers hold that make us both unique and distinctive. (Shae, Year 12)

## Parent - Head Meeting Time

From Tuesday 16th October there will be a weekly 'drop in' meeting opportunity with Toby Spence. Between 3.00pm and 4.30pm on any Tuesday afternoon Toby will be available for Parent meetings. Please contact Julia Morel, Head's PA to arrange a convenient time ([jmorel@sibfordschool.co.uk](mailto:jmorel@sibfordschool.co.uk)) or phone 01295 781208. Toby will of course still be available at other times to meet with parents.



## Sixth Form Open Evening

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October @ 6.30pm

Discover the many opportunities on offer  
for post 16 education at Sibford School!



On 21st September Inspector Detective Jim Holmes of Thames Valley police came to school to discuss eSafety with our Key Stage 4 and 5 students. Detective Holmes focused on key areas and explored the dangers of pornography, which involved a discussion on sextortion, online safety, the interpretation of the law and the consequence of making poor choices. Detective Holmes' presentation was extremely powerful as he was able to capture the attention of our students by providing a few hard-hitting life stories. He explained that individuals who made the wrong choice, and who were ignorant of the law, are now facing life changing consequences. I hope that our senior students will reflect on what they heard; our aim is to make our students more informed so they are able to make the right decision when it matters most.

Darren de Bruyn, Assistant Head of Sixth Form.



## Team of the Week



The Year 9 boys' rugby team continued their encouraging start with a hard fought, narrow win, over Warriner School. The game ended one try all, with our successful conversion making all the difference. Heroic defending from Oli, Finn, Mila and Silas, to name a few, got us over the line and secured an outstanding win.

A polite reminder that all senior school pupils should be dropped off at the Kiss and Drop and not in or near to the swimming pool carpark. Thank you.

Year 11 are looking forward to their 'Elevate Education' workshop on Monday 15th designed to boost confidence and support them with a variety of revision skills as they prepare for their mock examinations which begin on 3rd December.

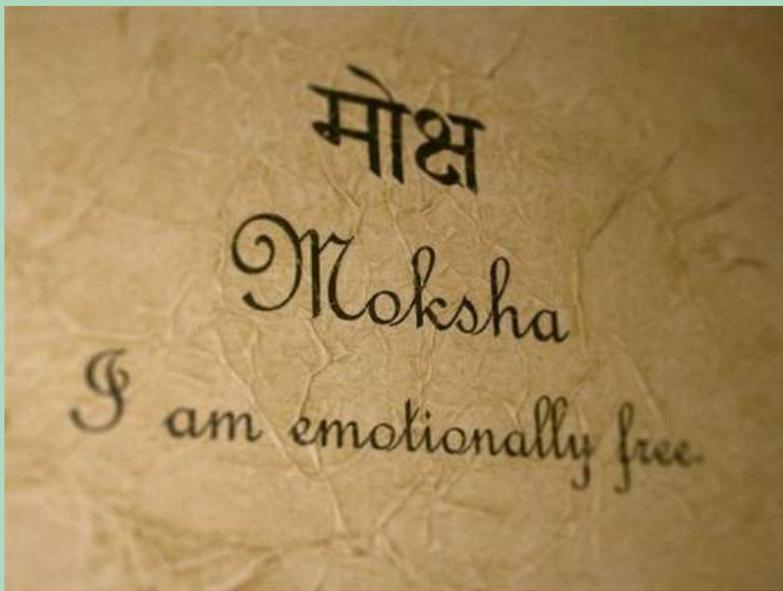


Simon Baker – Head of Key Stage 4.

Date for your diary – the 'Winter Wonderland' Christmas Ball for pupils in Years 7 – 13 will take place on Saturday 8th December; further details to follow.



The performers at Music Meeting last Friday were: Hanna & Olivia Year 11, (Piano & vocal), Apple Year 10 (Piano), Emma Year 11 (Vocals). Sarah (Year 9) gave a magnificent display of Highland dance. She performed two dances, one with Swords and a Jig. Sarah has been dancing for 10 years and she performed this routine over the weekend in a showcase. Sarah has danced for the queen at Horseguard's parade for the Trooping of the Colour!



This week Year 8 have been taking their learning of Hinduism to practical levels by participating in a yoga class. Through the groans and creaks of bones and muscles, the students learned how disciplined the art is and why Hindus practise this in order to achieve Moksha. Lots of fun was had by all.

Rachel Bee (RS department)



**Sibford**  
School  
BOARDING

Involved in a Sports Fixture next week? Attending Café Scientifique? Going on a theatre trip soon?

Should it be a convenient option, please be do remember that we always offer a 50% discount on the cost of flexi-boarding should your child be staying at school because they have been involved in a school-based event such as a school trip, sports fixture, open evening etc.

If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please contact Victoria Baker, Head of Boarding; further information can be found at <https://portal.sibfordschool.co.uk/information/boarding/>

## Quaker Week



Pupils and staff have considered 'Room for More' the theme for Quaker week during Meetings for Worship and PSHE this week.

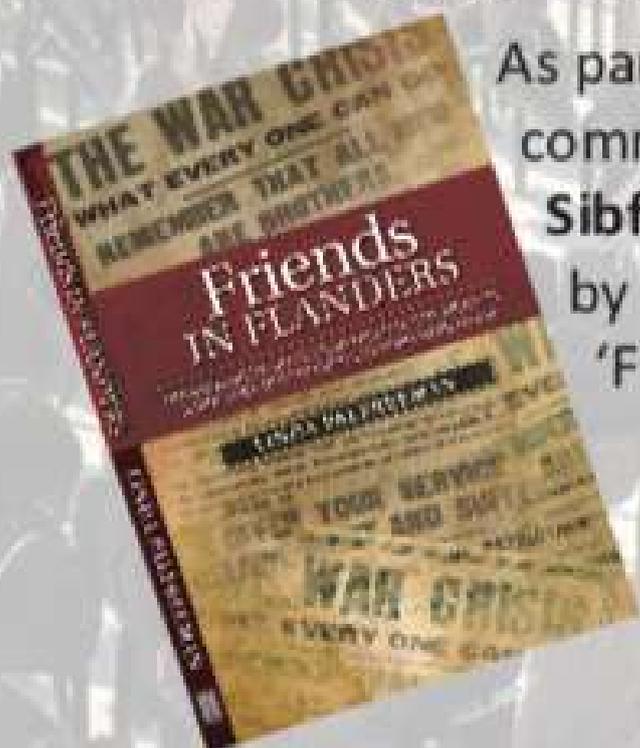
# FRIENDS IN FLANDERS

A talk about the humanitarian aid administered by the Friends' Ambulance Unit during the first World War

As part of its activities to commemorate the Armistice, Sibford School is hosting a talk by Linda Palfreeman, author of 'FRIENDS IN FLANDERS'.

**Monday 5 November  
at 6.30pm**

Sibford School Hall  
Sibford School, Sibford Ferris  
Banbury OX15 5QL



**ALL WELCOME**



Linda Palfreeman is Lecturer in Journalism at the University of Cardenal Herrera, Elche, Spain.

# Cafe Scientifique



**"The beginning of a post antibiotic age."**

*The threat of anti-microbial resistance:  
A very real and underappreciated public health risk*

This talk will be led by Dr Gareth Langley a postdoctoral researcher based at the University of Oxford working as part of the European gram-negative anti-bacterial engine (ENABLE), a pan-institution collaboration focused on the development of new anti-bacterial therapies. The project has support from a number of industry partners, including GSK and Novartis. Gareth completed his doctorate at the University of Oxford in 2017 working on aspects of the biochemical processes that underpin extra-cellular matrix biosynthesis and the pursuit of these processes as potential therapeutic targets. Outside of work, Gareth is a keen photographer, cricketer and is a rugby union match official.

The University of Oxford played a key role in the development of the most commonly used class of antibiotics, the  $\beta$ -lactams. Since these early pioneering studies, many millions of lives have been saved by the use of  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics (such as penicillin). However, in response to the use of antimicrobial agents, resistant bacterial strains have emerged and present a severe threat to public health. In Europe alone, antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is believed to contribute to in excess of 25,000 deaths every year whilst the clinical burden associated with it is estimated to cost €1.5 billion per year. Despite the strong need for new therapies, hardly any new, effective antibiotics have been brought to the market in recent years.

This talk will present a brief introduction to antibiotics and AMR, whilst giving an overview of the threat and challenges presented by AMR and why the development of new antimicrobial therapies is particularly challenging.

*Students are invited to dine with the speaker before the talk at 5.45pm*

**Thursday 11th October 2018**

**6.15pm – 7.30pm**

**Held in Laboratory S4. There is no charge for this event.**

Book your place with John Charlesworth  
[jcharlesworth@sibfordschool.co.uk](mailto:jcharlesworth@sibfordschool.co.uk) or 01295 781200