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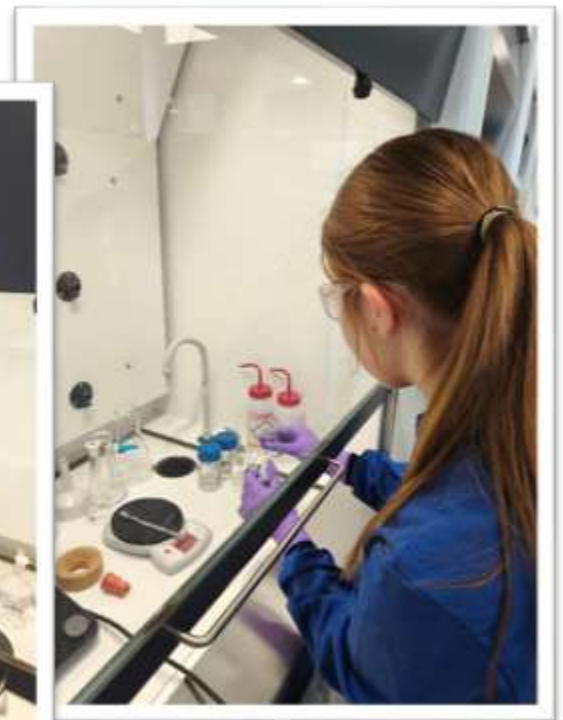
## Sporting Alumni



Ex student Koni Ivanov returned to school this week to present Dr Hills and the PE Department with a signed Brentford FC shirt. The shirt will be displayed in the new school sports facilities which open in September 2025. Koni starts pre-season training next Monday ahead of his second-year scholarship deal. Koni will be playing for Brentford U18s next season and hoping to break into the B team side. Throughout pre-season Koni will be training three times per day focusing on building fitness levels for the upcoming season. Best of luck for the new season from all staff and students from STA.

**Browell | Head of PE**

## Year 12 Middlesex University Trip



Year 12 students completing a practical at Middlesex University.



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## Year 10 Students Engage in Loci Lesson

Year 10 students recently experienced a dynamic and engaging mathematics lesson that took them out of the classroom and into the playground. Equipped with chalk, string, and straight edges, the students explored the concept of loci in a hands-on activity that made abstract geometry come alive.

Loci, a fundamental concept in geometry, involves the set of points that satisfy certain conditions. To help students grasp this concept, the lesson began with a brief explanation before moving outside. Once in the playground, students were divided into small groups, each provided with the necessary tools to visualise different loci scenarios.



This outdoor activity not only made learning enjoyable but also promoted teamwork and critical thinking. The physical space allowed students to step into the loci they created, enhancing spatial awareness and making the abstract concepts more concrete.

By the end of the lesson, students had a solid grasp of loci and could explain the concepts confidently. This innovative approach demonstrated the effectiveness of experiential learning, highlighting the benefits of taking lessons beyond the traditional classroom to engage and inspire students.

**Mr Dogan | Head of Mathematics**



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**Message from the Headteacher**

It is always sad to bid farewell to our Year 13s, but as Koni’s recent visit highlights, our alumni are always very welcome back at St Andrew, not least when they come bearing gifts!

We have enjoyed some unusually kinaesthetic learning at St Andrew the Apostle this week, with a wonderful practical Maths lesson in the sunshine involving chalk and cones in the playground to highlight the concept of loci.

Our Year 12s have enjoyed visits to hi-tech labs and to the very old school House of Lords and our Year 11 transition day involved some engaging practical challenges as well as Sixth Form taster lessons. We have recently recruited some highly talented new additions to our already strong body of teachers and we are very excited about next year.

It was wonderful to share in a service for Pentecost with Deacon Gregory and Father Peter on Tuesday and to hear prayers read by our Year 9 students.

Please see the latest, hugely entertaining edition of Apostle News, our student produced magazine, below – do download it with the QR code and have a read.

Talking of entertainment, we are all looking forward to the Summer Show this evening and we will share a full array of photos in our next issue.



*Philip Hills*  
Dr Philip Hills, Headteacher

**APOSTLE NEWS**



**Faith – Sunday of All Saints**

The first Sunday after the Feast of Holy Pentecost is observed by the Orthodox Church as the Sunday of All Saints. This day has been designated as a commemoration of all of the Saints, all the Righteous, the Prophets, Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Shepherds, Teachers, and Holy Monastics, both men and women alike, known and unknown, who have been added to the choirs of the Saints and shall be added, from the time of Adam until the end of the world, who have been perfected in piety and have glorified God by their holy lives.

Honouring the friends of God with much reverence, the Prophet-King David says, "But to me, exceedingly honourable are Thy friends, O Lord" (Ps. 138:16). And the Apostle Paul, recounting the achievements of the Saints, sets forth their memorial as an example that we might turn away from earthly things and from sin, (Heb. 12:1).

Since many Saints are unknown and their number has increased and will continue to increase until the end of time, the Church has appointed that once a year a common commemoration be made of all the Saints.





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## Year 13 Prom – Class of 2024



Year 13 prom last Friday was a reminder about what is so unique about the St Andrew community. It was a special and, at times, emotional evening as we reminisced, danced and wished them farewell. We look forward to seeing them on results day before they travel across the country to their respective university choices.

**Ms Bicarregui | Head of Sixth Form**



## Y12 Trip to Supreme Court and Parliament

On Wednesday, a group of Y12 students received the exciting opportunity to visit both the Supreme Court and the Houses of Parliament, as part of the enrichment activities of our school, which left them with an indelible educational experience.

The day started with a guided tour of the Supreme Court, during which the students were informed about its establishment and the significance it poses within the judicial system of the country. Subsequently, the students were delighted with the opportunity presented to them to observe part of a court case hearing, as it enabled them to gain an insightful glimpse into the judicial process.

The day culminated in the House of Lords, where the students, via personal invitation, were received by the **Lord Tope of Sutton, CBE**, for a members’ day afternoon tea. In the Cholmondeley Room of the House of Lords, they listened attentively to Lord Tope’s speech about politics, and they were invited to participate in a thought-provoking Q and A session. After sampling delectable scones and taking photos on the terrace, our students were ushered to the upper and the lower houses of the Parliament, where a knowledgeable guide offered an abundance of details on the history and the significance of the institution.

**Ms Koveri | Deputy Head of Sixth Form**

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### Sixth Form Taster Day

It was wonderful to welcome Year 11 back for their Sixth Form Taster Day last Friday. After taking part in a series of A level taster lessons they battled each other in the Tower Tussle Challenge and were unsurprisingly competitive! We wish them a well-deserved rest before seeing them all on results day.

**Ms Bicarregui | Head of Sixth Form**





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**Celebration Pentecost Assemblies by Fathers Petros and Gregory**



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**Free SEND travel training workshop**  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024**  
 10.15am – 11.50am OR 12.15pm – 1.50pm  
 RAF Museum, Colindale

Parents and carers, we would love to welcome you and your child(ren) to our fun and friendly summer travel training session. Suitable for children and young people (Year 6 and above) with SEND or those who are particularly vulnerable or anxious whilst travelling on public transport. Top travel tips will be shared to help make travelling easier and safer in this interactive workshop.

Limited spaces available – book soon to avoid disappointment! Please contact [road.safety@barnet.gov.uk](mailto:road.safety@barnet.gov.uk) for more information and a booking form.

### Free Dr Bike sessions in Barnet

Due to the success of the Dr Bikes in Barnet, particularly among parents/carers and children, these will be running again from July. The free Dr Bike sessions will be run by qualified bicycle mechanics. Members of the public can take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, which includes the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required, all for free.



Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Finchley, Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	10/07/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	24/07/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	07/08/2024	4pm to 7pm
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	28/08/2024	4pm to 7pm



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## St Andrew the Apostle SUMMER SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JULY to  
FRIDAY 26<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024  
9.30am to 1.30pm

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### Root Word - Recap 1

**Vit/vive**(from Latin)= life/alive  
e.g. Vital (essential to life)

**Pat/patr/pater** (from Latin)= 'father  
e.g. Patriotic (devoted to one's country/fatherland)

**Ven/veni/vent**: Latin = come/bring)  
e.g. Inventor (one who brings something new into existence)

**Tort** (from Latin)= twisted/wrong  
e.g. Contortionist (one whose performance consists of twisting the body)

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