

# St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

### Whole School

#### Sport Fundraiser

On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, all pupils took part in a sponsored fitness circuit run by the Olympian **Victoria Ohuruogu**. Victoria then shared her incredible sporting journey, a story of resilience and determination in a fun and interactive assembly. After, children began their Q&A session, asking fantastic questions to learn more about her: 'what inspires her?', 'what she eats?' and 'what does she think about while running?' She was even challenged to a race by a couple of Year 4 children.

Your children have received a sponsorship form, with some already bringing them in now. These forms will need to be **handed back by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March** in order to qualify for the gifts awarded to the children for raising money.

GreatAthletes™  
Inspiring every child

OUR ATHLETE EVENT  
IS COMING UP  
DON'T FORGET TO SET UP YOUR  
CHILD'S SPONSORSHIP PAGE



JUST SCAN THIS QR CODE  
AND SEARCH FOR OUR  
SCHOOL TO GET STARTED

DON'T FORGET TO SHARE YOUR PAGE  
WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

You can also sponsor your child online by creating a webpage. For more detail you can scan the QR Code or refer to the original sent out with links to videos explaining how to create and donate online.

#### Scooters and Bikes

Please ensure children are not on their bike or scooter within the school grounds to keep everyone safe. Please can we ask for parental support to remind children of these rules.

### Nursery

### Reception

#### Reception Trip to Bedford Park

Just a reminder regarding our upcoming trip to Bedford Park on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

If you haven't done so already – please pay via schoolcomms.

Children will need to dress in their PE kit and trainers for this trip.

They may need wellies – this will depend on the weather.

They will need a waterproof coat.

Children will leave and return during school hours

Please bring a packed lunch and a bottle of water – no fizzy drinks. School packed lunches can be provided and you should have already informed your class teacher if you need one.

Thank you all for supporting another dress up day! Your children looked fantastic!



## Year 1

### Lent Penitential Mass

The Year 1 children will be attending Mass with the Year 3 children on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am**. We welcome parents to join us for the mass. Please wait outside the church until the children are inside and seated. Thank you.

### Year 1 Assembly

We just wanted to say how proud we are of the Year 1 children on Wednesday at the Celebration of Learning Assembly. Thank you for all your support at home helping the children to learn their words.

## Year 2

## Year 3

### Final trip reminders: Brentwood Cathedral

**When?** Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

### Important notes:

**Please ensure that your child has arrived at school by 8:10am, as we will be leaving promptly at 8:25am. The coach will not be able to wait for latecomers.**

We will be attending Mass at the cathedral and would like the children to look as smart as possible as they will be representing our school, so please ensure that your child has the correct uniform. This includes a school tie.

Payments should have been made on SchoolGateway. **If payment has not been received, then we will take this as you not consenting for your child to participate.** If your child qualifies for pupil premium please ensure that you have emailed [office@stursulasprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:office@stursulasprimaryschool.co.uk) providing your permission.

## Year 4

### Reminder

**Items from home and stationery** – We are having an increasing number of children bringing items from home that are not appropriate e.g. slime. Please could you check your child is not bringing small toys, stickers and slime into school.

Items which are really helpful are their library book and reading folder, a pencil, a rubber, ruler and glue stick. We use these on a daily basis and not having them to hand wastes lots of time. Your support with this would be really appreciated.

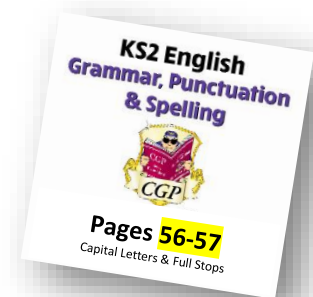
### School Trip to Westminster Cathedral

We are pleased to inform you that we have arranged a Year 4 pilgrimage to Westminster Cathedral on the following dates:

- ✠ St Paul's class: **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March**
- ✠ St Philomena's class: **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

This trip links to our Spring RE topics – Community and Giving & Receiving, and will be an excellent opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of their Catholic faith.

We will be travelling by public transport and therefore it is important that your child arrives promptly at 8:25am. We will take the 256 Bus Charlbury Crescent to Hornchurch Station, and then board a District line train to Victoria Station. During our journey, we will be making time for prayer and reflection. We will be back at school ready for the children to be collected at their usual time.



There is no cost to this trip. However, Westminster Cathedral would greatly appreciate any donation you can spare. If you would kindly like to make a donation of £3 or more, payments can be made via **SchoolComms** as of now. You can also give any donations to your child's class teacher (before the date of the trip).

## Year 5

### Space Dome

As you will be aware, the Space Dome was meant to come to St. Ursula's on Monday 17th March; however, due to unforeseen circumstances, the company have said that they can no longer attend on that date. I have liaised with the Space Dome company and arranged for them to come to St. Ursula's on **Thursday 20th March** instead.

On that day, we are asking for pupils to come to school wearing clothes linked to space. It could be a planet t-shirt, astronaut costume, space onesie or it could be a t-shirt that they have designed themselves (using an old t-shirt from home).

### Shoe Laces

Some children are wearing trainers / school shoes that have laces – please ensure that your child can tie their shoe laces, as a number of children are struggling to do this.

## Year 6

### Uniform Policy

There has been an increasing number of children packing toiletries into their pencil cases and using them during lessons and break-time. Lip gloss, nail polish and other such items are not permitted by our uniform policy. Slime shouldn't be brought into school either. If a child is seen with these items, they will be confiscated and the parent or carer will need to collect them from the school office at the end of the week.

## St Joseph's

We have begun a 'Core Word Programme' which focuses on introducing a word of the week. We will be modelling this word/phrase through many communication forms such as on AAC devices, on core boards, verbally and through Makaton.

Next week's word of the week is 'not' 'like' (don't like)

The link below shows you how to sign 'don't like'  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dK5Q8x7kefY>



like

## Church Community

### Easter Egg Donations

Our local churches - St. Dominic's and The Most Holy Redeemer - are looking for donations of Easter Eggs for raffle prizes for children on Good Friday. If you are able to donate any Easter Eggs, could you please drop them off at the School Office by **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March**.

We hope that you can support our parish and church community.