

St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

Weekly News Bulletin

Date – 5.12.2025

School Values Winners

EYFS & Key Stage 1

Faith – Obinna
Respect – Julia
Kindness – Oliwia
Honesty - Yanis
Resilience - Zuriella

Key Stage 2

Faith – Noah S
Respect – Aaron
Kindness – Taylor-Brooke
Honesty - Josephine
Resilience – Blake S

Whole School

School Fund donation

We are kindly asking each family to donate £45 for the school year 2025/2026. You can pay:

- A one-off payment of £45 in the Autumn Term,
- Or £15 each term (three payments),
- Or by standing order (please contact Mrs Homes for bank details).

All payments can be made easily through SchoolComms. This is per family not per pupil; however, if you would like to give more, we would be very grateful.

Christmas Disco and Entertainment



On Thursday 18th December we will be having our Christmas Disco for Years 1 to 6 and Christmas Entertainment for our Nursery and Reception children. All children are to attend school in their party clothes and sensible footwear. Years 1 to 6 will attend the Disco throughout the day with Moji Entertainment. Year 3 will need to ensure that they are in for 8.45am ready to get the party started!

Nursery and Reception will have a Christmas entertainment show performed by Jelly Jade in the morning.

Tickets for the disco/entertainment are £5 each and can be paid via schoolcomms.

We hope the children have a fantastic time!

Mrs Stone and PTA



RRSA: Article of the Week: Article 23 – Children with disabilities.
This links to our Catholic Social Teaching principle of Human Dignity.



Nursery

Reception

A reminder that the Christmas Nativity performance for Reception parents is on Friday 12th December at 9.30am.

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Educational Visit to Stubbers

We are delighted to inform you that we have arranged a trip to Stubbers for Year 4 children which will be taking place on **Wednesday 10th June 2026**. This will be an invaluable experience that will develop children's skills.

The educational objectives for the visit are:

1. To support our PE curriculum topic, Outdoor Adventure.
2. To develop communication skills.
3. To work collaboratively with others.

The day will begin at 8:30am and finish at 4:30pm. The children will be taking part in a range of land/water activities.

Deposit - £20: Due 12th December 2025

Payment 1 - £20: Due 30th January 2026

Payment 2 - £17: 27th February 2026

If your child qualifies for Pupil Premium Funding, there is no cost for this trip; however, if you would like to contribute to the cost of £57 you may do so. **If your child qualifies for Pupil Premium Funding, please call the school office to reserve your child's place on the trip as paying the deposit constitutes consent for attending the trip.**

Year 5

Year 6

St. Matthew's Swimming – Just a reminder that St. Matthew's have now completed their swimming lessons for this year and will no longer need to bring in Swimming Kits on a Thursday.

St Joseph's

Core word of the week:

Next week's core word of the week is 'go'.

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/CqbfQPpnYwM>



Supporting Faith At Home

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In school we use ten:ten to support our Prayer and Liturgy sessions in class. As part of this you have access to the parent portal to continue this Prayer and Liturgy at home should you wish.

To access this go to the following link: <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>

Username: parents-st-ursulas-catholic-primary-school

Password: StUrsulas

December 2025

The season of Advent begins on Sunday 30 November; a time for preparing to welcome Jesus at Christmas and also get ready for when He comes again.

As this year draws to a close, we are also in the last few weeks of the Church's Jubilee Year, celebrating Jesus' message of hope and encouraging us to live as Pilgrims of Hope. Our Advent resources continue this theme - as we prepare, live and celebrate the hope that Jesus brings.

PREPARE IN HOPE

The assembly for the first week in December introduces children to Advent season with a story of excitement and expectation. The beginnings of our preparations in the countdown towards Christmas are compared with a child's excitement as the family gets ready for the birth of a new baby.

In the Gospel (Matthew 24:37-44), Jesus tells His disciples to 'stay awake' and be ready for the day of the Lord's coming. Like with the coming of a new baby, we often don't know exactly when this event will take place so the time to get ready is right now!

With your child/ren, you may also like to ...

- Put up an Advent wreath in your home or make one together, talking about the symbolism of the purple and pink candles and the circle of evergreen.
- Talk about ways as a family you can plan to get ready during Advent. You might choose to prepare in a different way for each of the four weeks.
- Watch the Lyric Video 'Come, O Long Awaited Jesus' with your child during prayer times which you can find on the Online Parent Portal.

Church Community

Girls' Club

Girls' Club will close for the Christmas break after our last session on Friday 12th December 2025.

Christingle Service

On Monday 22nd December at 5pm, all families are welcome at the Most Holy Redeemer Church – St. George's Hall. Children can wear Christmas jumpers to add to the celebration and atmosphere. **Please bring along an orange to decorate.**