

St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

Friday 23rd May 2025

School Values Winners

Key Stage 1 & EYFS

Faith – Leo
Respect – Hannah
Kindness – Papa-Kofi
Honesty – Diana
Resilience –Ronnie

Key Stage 2

Faith – Alessia
Respect – Michelle
Kindness – Elsie
Honesty - Arianna
Resilience - Kasper

Whole School

Summer Fete Saturday 21st June 2025



You will have recently received a letter containing details about our upcoming Summer Fete on Saturday 21st June 2025. If you are able to help out at the Summer Fete please can you collect a copy of the letter from the office and complete the section at the bottom. In order for the Summer Fete to run smoothly we need as much support as possible. If you can just spare an hour, your time will be greatly appreciated!

Nursery

Reception

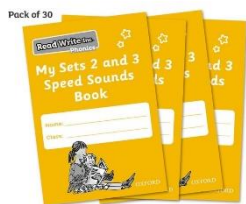
Reception phonics Meeting.

Thank you to those of you who attended the phonics meeting on Friday 16th May. If you were unable to attend please click on the link below to access the power point that was shared during the meeting.

<https://stursulascatholicprimary.co.uk/learning/phonics-meeting-reception>

Year 1

Year 1 Phonics Screening



Year 1 children will be taking part in the phonic screening test week beginning 9th June. Please use the virtual classroom QR codes that were sent home to support your child with their phonics over the half term. Children are also being sent home with a small yellow speed sound book to provide you with all the sounds that they need to know.

South Weald educational Visit

Please refer to the letter that was sent to parents with more information regarding the trip. The cost of this experience will be **£14.00 per child**. Payments should be made on SchoolGateway **by Wednesday 4th June 2025**.

If your child qualifies for pupil premium please email office@stursulasprimaryschool.co.uk providing your permission and any offer of a contribution would be appreciated. By paying for the Stick Man Day, you

will be providing your consent for your child to participate. If payment is not received, then we will take this as you not consenting for your child to participate.

Tissue Box



As part of our D&T curriculum next term, children will be completing a unit on Wheels and Axles. All children need to bring in an empty tissue box labelled with their name. Please bring these in week beginning 9th June 2025.

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 4 Stubbers Trip – Wednesday 4th June 2025

We are excited to remind you that our trip to Stubbers will be taking place on Wednesday 4th June. The details and items needed are listed below:

Departure: **Pupils need to be in school promptly for 8.00am** and unfortunately we will be unable to wait if pupils are not in school on time.

Return: We intend to leave Stubbers at 4.30pm and should **arrive back at school by 5.00pm.**

Items required:

- To wear long trousers/jogging bottoms (no jeans); **LONG TROUSERS ESSENTIAL FOR CLIMBING.**
- To wear a t-shirt and long sleeved jumper/zip up; **LONG SLEEVES ESSENTIAL FOR CLIMBING.**
- Bring a hat (in case it is very sunny).
- **A complete change of clothes, including underwear and trainers/plimsolls.**
- **Trainers-ESSENTIAL FOR CLIMBING.**
- A plastic bag to put wet/muddy clothes into.
- A towel.
- Sun cream (if hot).
- Waterproof jacket.
- Packed lunch and two drinks (no fizzy drinks or sweets). There will be a water fountain available to refill bottles.
- Snacks for break time.
- Please remember that all foods need to be **nut-free.**

The activities for the day will be: canoeing, climbing, caving and archery. All activities will involve the pupils being in groups with a qualified instructor to lead the session.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 4 team.

MTC Tests

The year 4 Multiplication Table Check will take place between **Monday 2 June and Friday 13 June.** During this time your child will sit with their teacher and answer 25 times table questions. The next few weeks are key to ensure your children are fluent with their knowledge. They have all been working really hard on these in school and this helps them with the maths concepts studied within lessons. Please encourage your children to use TTRS and complete the MTC simulator on Maths Shed for their homework.

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables>

<https://ictgames.com/mobilePage/multiplication.html>

MCGrammar's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@MCGrammarTV>



Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.

Year 5

Swimming

Year 5 will still be going swimming during the Summer Term. St. Teresa's Class have just 1 more session and St. Thomas' Class will go during Summer Term 2 – please see the dates below (Red dates = St. Teresa's, Blue dates = St. Thomas'):

Thursday 5/06/25 (The 5/6/25 session will be after half term to ensure fair coverage for Year 5).

Thursday 12/06/25, Thursday 19/06/25, Thursday 26/06/25, Thursday 03/07/25 and Thursday 10/07/25.

We will be travelling to the pool by public transport where possible, if unavailable we will be walking. Pupils will be leaving school at 12.50 pm and aiming to return by 2.40 pm.

Please provide your child with a towel and swimming kit every Thursday. This must include an appropriate swimming costume or swimming trunks and a swimming hat, as it is the policy of Central Park Leisure Centre that every child must wear one. Swimming hats can be purchased from leisure centres, Amazon or sports stores and they can be any colour. Please check at home that your child knows how to put on their swimming hat, and that it fits. Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit in a rucksack that they can carry, as they will need to carry it to and from lessons.

Children do not need to bring talcum powder, deodorant, soaps or snacks with them; however, they may need a comb or hairbrush if they have long hair. All medication will be taken to the swimming pool for children with medical needs. Children should be wearing their PE kit to school on swimming days and will need to ensure they have both their PE jumper and a coat in school.

Year 5 Continued:

Year 5 Retreat - Walsingham House

We are pleased to confirm that the Year 5 Retreat to Walsingham House is going ahead on **Wednesday 9th July 2025**. This trip is themed around the message of Our Lady of Walsingham and 'Sharing the joy' through a range of workshops.

The educational objectives for the visit are:

1. To learn about the parables of Jesus.
2. To creatively discover the joy of our faith.
3. To share joy as a Catholic community.

The event is being run by our local Catholic secondary schools. The activities will be led by Sixth Form students - with the support of the secondary school teachers. St. Ursula's staff will also be supporting the pupils, plus there will be 2 other Catholic schools taking part.

Your child will need to be dropped off at school at **8:20am on Wednesday 9th July**. We will be travelling by coach to Walsingham House at 8:30am – we will not be able to wait for latecomers. The event finishes at 2:30pm and we will return to school by the end of the school day.

Your child will need a packed lunch (remember that the lunch must be nut free) – please ensure that they have plenty of water. If you wish to order a packed lunch from the school, then please select the 'School trip lunch' on Cypad.

Pupils will need to wear their summer school uniform – we are asking that they wear trainers for this event. Depending on the weather, pupils will need a sun hat and sun cream. A raincoat may also be necessary!

The cost of this trip will be **£11.75** per child. Payments should be made via **Schoolcomms** by **Friday 27th June 2025**. By paying for the school trip you will be providing your consent for your child to participate. If payment is not received, then we will take this as you not consenting for your child to participate.

If your child qualifies for Pupil Premium Funding and you would like to contribute towards the cost, you may do so via **Schoolcomms**. Please complete the Google Form give permission for your child to participate in the trip.

A Google Form will be sent to you shortly. Please complete the form by Friday 27th June 2025.

Year 6

St Joseph's

Upcoming Visit: We have arranged for 'Wellgate Farm' to visit the Nursery and Reception children in school on **Tuesday, 17th June, 2025**.

ALL children who attend St Joseph's will have the opportunity to attend this also. The 'mobile farm' will bring a wide selection of farm animals, providing a unique hands-on experience! The children who attend St Joseph's will visit the 'mobile farm' in the morning, either with their Reception class or with the St Joseph's staff. Time is allocated for them to have a close look at the animals, pet them, feed them and even hold them within the safety of the school environment. The visit will aid children's learning about different animals, their features, what they eat and how they help us. It will also help to them to understand how to care for and be responsible for living creatures. The appropriate Risk Assessments for handling the farm animals will be put in place, and Staff will ensure that all children wash their hands thoroughly after the visit.

A contribution of £4.80 per child is requested, to help to cover the cost of the visit. Please pay the £4.80 using the Schoolcomms system. If anyone is having any difficulties signing up to Schoolcomms please contact Mrs Homes in the School Office as soon as possible. The contribution can be paid up to and including **Monday, 16th June, 2025**.

Core Word of the Week

Next week's word of the week is 'you'

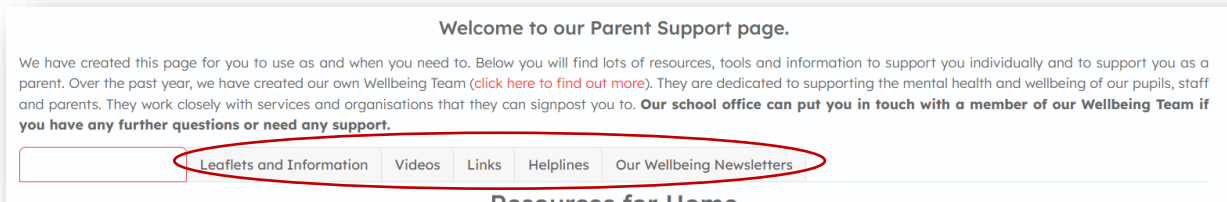


Mental Health & Wellbeing

We would like to draw your attention to the 'Support for Parents' area on our school website. It contains a wealth of resources and information to support you and your family during difficult times. This includes charities that can support you financially or emotionally depending on your situation, and videos and.

You can access this area by clicking the link below and clicking through the tabs.

[Support for Parents](#)



Is your child a fussy eater?

A free virtual awareness session for supporting parents in dealing with fussy eating in children. If you are the parent/carers of a primary school child aged 4-11 please join the presentation using the link below.

On: Thursday 5th June 2025 at 1 pm

[Join the meeting now](#)

If you would prefer to speak direct to a School Nurse please call 0300 300 1635

If you cannot attend, the presentation will be uploaded to our Facebook page
NELFT Havering 0-19 children's services