



St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope that the summer was restful and relaxing and that the children are ready for another year of excitement and challenge. A special welcome to all of our new families that have joined us; I know that the children are going to have a fantastic time and settle in quickly

Our mission statement is "With God at the heart of our St Ursula's family, we welcome all as we learn and grow together" and this permeates every aspect of the school life. Parent/Carer and school relationships are vital for the success of the children and we hope to always maintain a positive relationship with all of our parents/carers.

This week's newsletter focuses on general reminders and expectations for the coming year.

Mr Ashburn

PARENTS' EVENINGS—OCTOBER 2022

This academic year, we will be reintroducing face to face parents' evenings in the Spring Term. Please see dates below.

Parents' Evenings 2022-2023		
KS1 & KS2 Parents' Evening (Phone consultations only)	10 th -12 th October 2022	3:30-5:30pm
KS1 & KS2 Celebration Afternoon & End of Term report	15 th December 2022	3:30 -4:30pm
KS1 & KS2 Parents' Evening (Face to Face only)	6 th -8 th February 2023	3:30-5:30pm
KS1 & KS2 Celebration Afternoon & End of Term report	30 th March 2023	3:30 -4:30pm
Meet your new teacher Afternoon & End of Year reports	July 13 th 2023	3:30-4:30pm

Please be aware that teachers will not be arranging appointments out of these allocated times. It is the parent/carers responsibility to ensure arrangements are made so they can attend. I am providing these dates in the first week to allow parents and carers time to make these arrangements. The booking system will be open on Friday 16th September.

Separate meetings will be arranged with parents of children in Nursery & Reception to discuss progress. More information will follow.

UNIFORM

We expect all children to be well dressed in our smart uniform. This includes smart haircuts and appropriate hair accessories. Uniform plays an important role in establishing the ethos of the school and we know that it instils a sense of pride that promotes more effective teaching and learning. It also ensure the health and safety of students is protected. Jewellery is not allowed, this includes **earrings**. My Newsletters in the summer reminded parents that if they were piercing their child's ears, to do so earlier in the summer holidays. Long hair should be tied up (both girls and boys). Hair accessories should be red, white, black or grey and be discreet.

SCHOOL LUNCHES AND BREAK TIME SNACKS

We are a Healthy Eating School and our commitment to the Healthy Schools programme ensures the physical well-being of your children, and supports their ability to thrive. We are immensely proud of the sporting, musical, artistic and academic achievements of all our pupils, this success is due to our healthy living philosophy. I therefore ask you to support our school policy regarding school lunches and break time snacks.

If you send your child in with a packed lunch may I remind you no fizzy drinks, no chocolate products or crisps are allowed in school. Water is preferable for lunch, rather than the high sugar juices. Bottles taken into class must only contain water. We do allow cakes on a Friday for desert.

Attendance TOP FIVE

1	St Thomas'	100%
2	St Matthew's	100%
3	St John's	100%
4	St Martin's	98.81%
5	St Philomena's	98.77%

BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club is open. To book a place for your child/ren please use our Schoolcomms booking system. If you require any help or guidance with this booking system, please contact the school office on 01708 345200.

WONDERYEARS

Wonderyears After School Club takes place between 3:00-6:00pm in the KS1 hall. For any enquiries or to book please either email, call or WhatsApp:

Tel: 0770 777 1114

Email: enquiries@wonderyears.co.uk

Website: <https://wonderyears.co.uk/>

PARKING

As the weather begins to worsen, and more families begin to use their cars or park closer to school, I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that our school is situated within a living community of people's homes, so please think about where you park, how you park, and your conduct outside of our school gates.

Cars parked illegally outside can be reported using the following link: https://www.havering.gov.uk/info/20004/parking/121/parking_tickets_and_traffic_fines/8

or alternatively you can report an illegally parked vehicle by calling 01708 432787 and choosing option 6 then option 1.

Any threatening behaviour outside of the school gates must be reported directly to the police.

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BACK TO SCHOOL



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