



St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we settle ourselves back into the busy routine of the school term, I wanted to use this week's newsletter to share the extracurricular activities that we have on offer at St Ursula's Catholic Primary School. We are endeavouring to provide beyond what is expected, to ensure that our pupils have access to a wide and rich set of experiences which develop their range of talents and interests.

Our music tutors will be starting their lessons this term so please make sure you have booked your child's place.

Instrument	Tutor	Contact
Violin Year 2 – Year 6	Mrs Yakes	01708345200
Guitar and Piano	Mr Orasanu	07968865196
Rocksteady Music Band	Mr Ferdinand	0330 113 0330

For the very first time we are now offering Year 2 violin lessons. If you would like your child to learn the violin, please contact the school office as spaces are limited. Those of you who have confirmed your interest, you will be contacted shortly.

In addition to the music lessons provided at St Ursula's, there are also the Sports clubs that are run by Superstar Sports. Throughout the week there are opportunities for our pupils to take part in a wide variety of activities, both before and after school.

Activity	Year Groups	When?
Fun Football	Reception - Year 2	Monday 3:15-4:15pm
Dodgeball	Reception – Year 6	Tuesday 8:00am-8:45am
Infant Roulette (Dodgeball, Athletics, Hockey, Foot Golf, Surprise)	Reception –Year 2	Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm
Dance & Cheerleading	Reception – Year 2	Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45am
Gymnastics	Reception – Year 2	Wednesday 3:15-4:15pm
Soft Archery	Reception –Year 6	Thursday 8:00-8:45am
Fun Football	Year 3 – Year 6	Thursday 3:15-4:15pm
Junior Roulette (Dodgeball, Athletics, Hockey, Foot Golf, Surprise)	Year 3 – Year 6	Friday 3:15-4:15pm
Booking link below:		
https://www.superstarsportessex.org/book Or call 01708 607 660		

If you require any further information on our clubs, please call the School Office: 01708 345200

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know St Ursula's is a UNICEF Rights Respecting School? We currently hold the Bronze Award and we are working towards achieving Silver Award this Year. We are working with The UNICEF UK Rights Respecting Schools Award to ensure our pupils, staff, Governors and parents and wider community are aware of our children's human rights. Mrs Whittet is our UNICEF RRSA Lead and she will be sharing more information on this throughout the year. The following link explains more about Rights Respecting Schools: <https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/the-rrsa/what-is-a-rights-respecting->

Attendance TOP FIVE

1	St Catherine's	100%
2	St Anne's	99.57%
3	St Philomena's	99.07%
4	St Edmund's	98.33%
5	St Martin's	97.32%

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/>

ONLINE SAFETY

At the start of each year, the first 6 weeks of ICT lessons are dedicated to online safety. As part of our online safety lessons all children will be completing activities to help keep them safe online. Within their classes, they will also read through and agree to the **School Acceptable Use Policy**. If you want to find out more, they can read St Ursula's Catholic Primary School full Online Safety Policy: <https://stursulacatholicprimary.co.uk/policies/safeguarding>

If you would like any more information in regarding online safety, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Marshall, Online Safety Lead.

Click [Here](#) to book a place on a Free Online Safety Workshop—October 6th 2022.

Each week I share a guide from National Online Safety that focuses on staying safe online; however, this week we have a tribute to Queen Elizabeth II.



The extraordinary life of QUEEN ELIZABETH II



1926

Princess Elizabeth is born in London.



1945

Towards the end of World War II, 18-year-old Elizabeth joins the Auxiliary Territorial Service and trains as a driver and a mechanic.



1947

Princess Elizabeth marries Prince Philip, an officer in the Royal Navy.



1948

The princess gives birth to her first child, a boy named Charles who will grow up to be King.



1966

Her Majesty is at Wembley to see England beat West Germany (as it was called before the Berlin Wall came down) 4-2 in the World Cup final, presenting the trophy to victorious captain Bobby Moore.



1957

Her Majesty gives the first televised Christmas broadcast to the nation. 'The Queen's Speech' goes on to become a permanent and powerful tradition of the festive season.



1953

The new Queen is crowned at Westminster Abbey – the first coronation to be televised. Sales of TVs soar as many families buy one for the first time to watch the ceremony. The eventual worldwide audience is around 277 million.



1977

Britain and the Commonwealth celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee (marking 25 years on the throne). A chain of beacons is lit around the country, and thousands of street parties are held.



2015

Having ruled for 63 years, Queen Elizabeth becomes the longest-reigning monarch in British history – overtaking her great great grandmother, Queen Victoria.



2022

The nation celebrates the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with more events and street parties. Sadly, however, Her Majesty's health declines and she passes away months later, aged 96. After 70 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth II leaves a legacy of lasting affection and respect from people not only in the UK, but around the whole world.

Did you know?...

Rest well, Your Majesty – and thank you.

The Queen received her first Corgi, Susan, as an 18th birthday present. She loved that breed of dog throughout her life, going on to own another 30 of them.



In 1982, a mentally ill man broke into the palace and reached the Queen's bedroom! Reports suggest Her Majesty calmly kept him talking for 10 minutes until the security team arrived.



As Britain was still recovering from the effects of the war, the young Princess Elizabeth had to save ration coupons to buy the material for her wedding dress!

The Queen took the unusual step of inviting a TV documentary crew into Buckingham Palace in 1969. This let people see the Royal Family in a way they'd never been able to before.



It was Queen Elizabeth who, in 1993, decided to open up Buckingham Palace to visitors from the public for the first time.

To help launch the 2012 Olympics in London, Her Majesty featured in a short film where she meets super-spy James Bond, as played by Daniel Craig.



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