



St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest celebrations have been in full swing this week! Both Year 2 and Year 4 showcased their wonderful singing, reading and acting during their assemblies. It always amazes me at how well our pupils remember their lines.



Both assemblies involved a re-enactment of Jesus' Feeding of the Five Thousand. This was a gentle reminder that nothing we face here on earth is too big for God - Jesus is big enough for any of our expectations, he uses other people to bless others, and ultimately, it shows Jesus' compassion for his people. Through this miracle, we are reassured of Jesus' love for us.



Harold Hill Foodbank visited on Friday to collect your generous donations. Two visits were needed due to the high number of donated items – Thank you all for your support. If you would like to continue supporting the Harold Hill Foodbank, please click on the following link: <https://haroldhill.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/>. If you are a family that are in need of support from the Harold Hill Foodbank, contact Mrs Walsh (Home School Support Worker), who will be able to discuss the support options available.

CAN YOU COMPLETE THE ROSARY CHALLENGE?

October is the month of the Holy Rosary and your challenge is to pray a decade of this great prayer every weekday, at school or home. A decade of the Holy Rosary is:

1 x Our Father

10 x Hail Mary

1 x Glory Be

During each decade you can pray with a Mystery of the Rosary. Mysteries are moments in the life of Jesus and Mary. Imagine them in your mind. There will be a short piece of scripture at the start of each decade to help you enter in. There are four sets of five Mysteries:

- The Joyful Mysteries
- The Glorious Mysteries
- The Luminous Mysteries
- The Sorrowful Mysteries



The Mark Ten Mission have created videos for every mystery. You can find them on the following link: <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/rosary-challenge>

On the following page is a Rosary Challenge Tracking Sheet!

Attendance TOP FIVE

1	St Edmund's	100%
2	St Luke's	100%
3	St Helen's	99.17%
4	St Anne's	98.33%
5	St Paul's	97.62%

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.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Our Christmas Nativities and Carol Services will all be taking place on the same day this year. Be sure to put the date in your diary.

Friday 8th December

More information regarding these events will be provided in the coming weeks.

CHILDRENS' RIGHTS

The start of October marks the beginning of Black History Month and so our children explored Article 2: "Non-Discrimination: Every child has access to their rights no matter their colour, the language they speak or the religion they follow." During Friday's Achievement Assemblies our pupils explored the sporting achievements of Lennox Lewis and Muhammad Ali and their work outside the ring.





The Rosary Challenge!

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Joyful Mysteries



The Annunciation



The Visitation



The Nativity



The Presentation



The finding in the Temple

Luminous Mysteries



The Baptism



The wedding at Cana



Preaching of the Kingdom



The Transfiguration



The institution of the Eucharist

Sorrowful Mysteries



The agony in the garden



The scourging at the pillar



The crowning of thorns



Jesus carries the cross



The crucifixion

Glorious Mysteries



The Resurrection



The Ascension



The descent of the Spirit



The Assumption



The crowning of Mary

CELEBRATING OUR SCHOOL VALUES

The core values of our school focus on high expectations for all learners, developing skills for life, encouraging good self-esteem and developing a set of core moral values based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. These values are core to every part of our lives and are reflected in the way that we treat each other, the way that we look for every day opportunities to help those in need and in the example that we demonstrate to all those we meet.

At St Ursula's we have our School Value trophies that are given out during our weekly Achievement Assembly.

There is an award for each of our 5 values:

Faith
Respect
Kindness
Honesty
Resilience



These trophies are awarded to different pupils from Reception to Year 6, who have lived out our Gospel Values. These trophies are taken back to class and displayed on our classroom prayer tables.

THIS WEEK'S WINNERS – CONGRATULATIONS!

Faith: Victoria (Year 1)

Faith: Ariana (Year 3)

Respect: Danika (Year 2)

Respect: Aliza (Year 4)

Kindness: Diana (Reception)

Kindness: Aoife (Year 5)

Honesty: Gabriel (Year 1)

Honesty: Glory (Year 6)

Resilience: Liam (Year 2)

Resilience: Jeremydave (Year 3)

“There is a great need in our days for people who know how to make a courageous testimony of the moral values taught by the Gospel.” Pope Francis