



St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents & Carers,

It was wonderful to WELCOME BACK all of our pupils this week. With the return of Gospel assemblies and the removal of 'bubbles', our school buildings have regained their buzz, with smiling faces, eager learners and, already, great work being produced!

It has taken a lot of work to get to this point and this is why it is extremely important that we continue to follow Government guidance regarding Covid-19. There are still control measures which will remain in place. These are:

- Hygiene controls including the regular washing of hands;
- Enhanced cleaning of surfaces;
- Ensuring good ventilation;
- Staff to continue to take a twice-weekly lateral flow test during term time.

I ask that you support the school by:

- Not sending your children into school if they are not well and/or if they are showing any symptoms associated with Covid.
- Collecting your children promptly if your they should display any Covid symptoms in school.

An updated Risk Assessment and Outbreak Plan will be viewable on the school website as of Monday. Mr Ashburn

NEXT WEEK'S THEME: POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Next week's theme is 'Positive Relationships'. As part of this week's focus, we will be highlighting the importance of having healthy relationships in our lives.

Our pupils will be looking at the ways they can share their concerns and worries and who they can share them with. Mrs Marshall (Computing & Online Safety Lead) has planned online safety lessons for all pupils, allowing them to explore appropriate behaviour online and how to report inappropriate behaviour.

During my Monday assemblies, I will be focusing on S-T-O-P (Several Times On Purpose). In these Assemblies, I will be helping pupils to understand what bullying is and why it happens and to get pupils thinking of ways that we can all try to stop bullying from occurring.

To finish the week off, we are hoping to have a visit from PC Wayne (Community Police Officer).

REMINDER: SCHOOL OFFICE

Since June 2021 we have had one school office. This office is located in the lower building and can be accessed through the Key Stage 1 playground. There is no longer an office in the Key Stage 2 building. All communication to and from the school will go through this one office. Any pupils arriving late will now need to enter through the EYFS/KS1 gate to ensure they have been signed in by Mrs Carragher — please do not buzz the Key Stage 2 gate. Parents/carers who are late for collection must also report to this office.

Attendance TOP FIVE

1	St Luke's	100%
2	St Catherine's	100%
3	St Anne's	100%
4	St Jude's	100%
5	St Teresa's	100%

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.

WONDERRYEARS

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@wonderryears.co.uk

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

UNIFORM SHOP

School Wear Centres will be running their uniform shop from the KS1 wooden pavilion on Friday 17th September from 3:30pm. Credit and Debit cards are accepted.

We have been made aware that a new supplier for the shop have sent Nursery jumpers with the wrong design. If you have one of these jumpers, please bring them to the pavilion next Friday and they will be replaced free of charge.

SPORTS CLUBS

We are pleased to announce that Superstar Sport will begin running before and after school activity clubs. To book a place please visit: www.superstarsportsssex.org and click the "book now" button. Please call 01708607660 if you require more information.

Activity	Year Groups	When?
Morning Movement/Fitness	Year 3 to 6	Monday 8:00 –8:45am
Gymnastics	Reception to Year 2	Monday 3:15-4:15pm
Fun Athletics	Reception to Year 2	Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm
Fun Football	Year 3 to 6	Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm
Dance/Cheerleading	Reception to Year 6	Thursday 8:00-8:45am

MUSIC LESSONS AND TUITION 2021-22

As a school we endeavour to provide beyond what is expected, to ensure that our pupils have access to a wide, rich set of experiences which develop their range of talents and interests. Our music tutors have returned and are providing lessons again, which include: Violin, Recorder, Ukulele, Piano and Guitar.

Instrument	Tutor	Contact details
Violin	Mrs Yakes	01708 343170
Guitar and Piano	Mr Orasanu	07968 865196
Flute, Ukulele, Recorder, Fife	Mrs Skinner	07484 895216
Rocksteady Music Band	Mrs Smith	0330 113 0330

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

How often do you visit our school website? Content on our website is constantly updated by a wide range of staff, showing exactly how much is happening within and outside of the formal curriculum. Before calling the school office with a question, see if you can find the answer to your question on our website. Below are links to our webpages that answer your regularly asked questions:

What extra-curricular clubs do you provide?

[Click here to find out](#)

What subject/topic is my child being taught this term?

[Click here to find out](#)

When does my child have PE/do you have a timetable?

[Click here to find out](#)

How is the school supporting the wellbeing of its pupils?

[Click here to find out](#)

Where can I find the School policies?

[Click here to find out](#)

Where can I find the School's safeguarding information?

[Click here to find out](#)

AUTUMN TERM 1 DATES

- ⌚ 17th September— Uniform Shop
- ⌚ 23rd September— Year 6 Residential Trip meeting
- ⌚ 12th October — Year 2 & 4 Harvest Festival assemblies
- ⌚ 15th October—Nearly New Uniform Shop
- ⌚ 18th—20th October—Parent Consultation Evenings
- ⌚ 21st October—St Ursula's Day
- ⌚ 22nd October—International Day
- ⌚ 25th—29th October—Half Term Break
- ⌚ 1st November—Inset Day — SCHOOL CLOSED
- ⌚ 2nd November— Pupils return for Autumn Term 2

WITH God
heart
AT THE
OF OUR
St Ursula's
family
WE WELCOME
ALL AS WE
learn
AND GROW
TOGETHER