



St Ursula's Catholic Primary School

HEADTEACHER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Autumn Term 1 is nearly over and it is time for our first parents' evening. For this academic year we will continue with phone consultations for our parents' evenings. Many parents/carers had asked that we consider keeping this provision, at the very least, an option when planning for 2021-22. Last year, the feedback was extremely positive with many parents/carers feeling that conducting these evenings over the phone allowed them to attend from the safety and comfort of their home, without having to rush home from work or having the worry of arranging childcare.

While I understand this is welcomed by many I also understand the importance of parents and carers being able to meet with class teachers face-to-face. Therefore, in addition to our 3 phone consultation parents' evenings, we will be introducing 3 celebration afternoons, where parents & carers are welcomed in to their children's classrooms to look at their children's books and celebrate their efforts and achievements.

Parents' Evenings 2021-22		
Parents' Evening (Phone consultation)	October 18 th – 20 th	3:30 - 5:30pm
Celebration Afternoon (Face-to-face)	December 16 th	3:20 – 4:20pm
Parents' Evening (Phone consultation)	February 7 th – 9 th	3:30 - 5:30pm
Celebration Afternoon (Face-to-face)	March 24 th	3:20 – 4:20pm
Parents' Evening (Phone consultation)	May 23 rd -25 th	3:30 - 5:30pm
Celebration Afternoon (Face-to-face)	July 14 th	3:20 – 4:20pm

During your phone consultation appointment, your child's teacher will share how well your child has settled into their new year group; discuss your child's personal development and academic progress since the start of term; highlight any attendance or punctuality concerns if relevant and there will be an opportunity for you to ask any questions. Parents and carers can book an appointment through our usual booking system, SchoolCloud.

Our new celebration afternoons will provide parents/carers with time to sit down with their children to look through their books and to talk with class teachers face-to-face. Slots do not need to be booked for the Celebration Afternoons.

The school office will be sending a SchoolComms to parents and carers with guidance on how to book your phone appointment. You will be able to do this from Tuesday 12th October 2021. Mr Ashburn.

Attendance TOP FIVE

1	St Catherine's	99.31%
2	St Philomena's	98.82%
3	St Jude's	98.21%
4	St Margaret's	97.93%
5	St John's	97.24%

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/>

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

On Thursday, our children started collecting donations for the Harold Hill Food Bank. I would like to thank those who have donated already and remind parents and carers that we will continue to collect until Friday 15th October. The Harold Hill Food Bank provides emergency food for people in crisis and for families that are in need. Items needed:

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tinned beans
- Tinned meat

#HELLOYELLOW



St Ursula's joined thousands of other schools, offices and communities on Friday 8th October in taking part in #HelloYellow. Pupils were asked to wear yellow to show young people that they are not alone with their mental health. Over £351 was raised. This money will be donated to Young Minds and also used to create a calm space, in our school, for our children to use.

ARTICLE 6 AND 24



As a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, teachers at St. Ursula's will be discussing Articles 6 and 24 during our Harvest Festival Week. Article 6 recognises that all children and young people have the right to survive and the right to develop. Article 24 recognises that every child has the right to the best possible health.