

Year 8 Update

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Summer Term A 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 8 have yet again had an excellent half term, we have had an increase in rewards within the group, most of which are for good classwork.

Students have continued to show their dedication to Serviam through their completion of their Philanthropy Project, with the year group raising more than £8000 in total! We were incredibly proud of all the students who performed for their chosen charity and who raised money. Thank you for supporting your daughters, helping organise cake sales and car washes outside of school. A big well-done to 8 Catherine who won the competition, adding £1,000 to their total for their chosen charity, Lives not Knives. You can also read more about this event in the latest edition of our Inform Newsletter.

The Ursuline High Easter ski trip was a roaring success. Attending staff were extremely impressed by the excellent engagement of all the girls. We are especially proud of the Year 8s who attended, as they were the youngest students and for many it was their first big trip, away from family.

We are thrilled to see all students continuing to engage with our broad enrichment programme. Students have engaged in borough athletics coming 2nd, football matches, cricket competitions, volleyball, tennis, and gardening club. Auditions are about to start for 'Shrek the musical' next year's school production which is very exciting, students can refer to the email sent by Ms Surbey for further details.

The big build up has been moving towards the students end of year exams, focusing on revision of all topics that have taken place this over this academic year. Thank you to all of you who attended the recent parents' evening and revision meeting. We hope that you found these valuable and insightful. We look forward to the next half-term, starting with the end of year exams, and followed by many events and activities including Sports Day, UHS Fest Week, debates, and the end of year celebration assembly! Wishing you and your families a restful, happy, and healthy half-term, and look forward to welcoming students back on Monday the 3rd June.

Kind Regards,
Ms Torode
Head of Year 8

There have also been some other great achievements this half term, you can find these on our [Twitter](#) [P.E Dept Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)!

Summer A Highlights

- Student Council
- Philanthropy Final
- Revision Information Evening
- Parents Evening
- Mental Health Awareness Week
- Jesus Christ Superstar
- Merton Borough Athletics Competition

Students' Achievements

Year 8 Total Rewards since start of year:
20,682

1 - Most Rewards:

Elizabeth S: 8T
Sariah S-D: 8T
Congratulations to **8T** who Continue to lead the way with **1542** Reward Points this half term

2 – Highest Attendance:

Congratulations to **8A** who continue to lead the way with **96.9%** attendance.

3 – External Success:

Huge congratulations to Leia M and Joanna P who have been selected to represent Merton at the London Youth Games in football!

Another massive congratulations to both Petal G and Mekhayla M who went to Florida to compete in an international Cheerleading competition recently. Petal's team won her competition and Mekhayla came second!



Lucy and her sister did a 5km inflatable run and raised over £2000 for a charity called Small Steps who help children with physical disabilities, this charity is very close to their hearts as it helps their younger brother Ben who was there supporting them.



If your daughter participates in sport or other activities outside of school do encourage encourage her to let us know.

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Dear parent(s)/carer(s),

Parent Communications:

At the Ursuline, parental communication is really important to us. I have listed below a reminder of the correct person you should contact for a particular enquiry, which I hope you will find useful.

Form tutors – general enquires about the Ursuline, friendship issues, organisation, homework, clubs/enrichment, uniform, equipment, travelling to/from school, punctuality, trips/calendar events.

8 Angela	Ms Williams	rachel.williams@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Bernadette	Mr Panchins	francois.pachins@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Catherine	Ms Hawkins	rosamund.hawkins@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Francis	Ms McHale	laura.mchale@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Margaret	Mr Chiswa	ian.chiswa@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Teresa	Mr Gibson	georgina.gibson@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
8 Ursula	Ms Surbey	carys.surbey@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk

Head of Year, Assistant Head of Year, or Pastoral Support Assistant – Mental health, bullying, safeguarding, online safety, absence request forms, request for your daughter to receive school counselling/educational well-being practitioner, financial support/free school meals.

Anne-Lise.Torode@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk Head of Year

Karlin.Eloff@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk Pastoral Support Assistant

Ms Young – Attendance and punctuality/lateness. All absences and lates must be reported via email or Weduc, or phone no later than 8.45am. Bernadette.young@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk 0203 908 3144

IT Issues

ITHelpdesk@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk – for IT/Weduc/laptop related enquires.

Subject specific enquiry – please contact the subject teacher, all staff contact details can be found on our Ursuline directory below.

[Staff Contact Details - Ursuline High School](#)

Yours sincerely,

Ms Torode