

# Year 11 Update

## Summer Term A 2025

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Dear Year 11 Parent(s)/Carer(s),

With the Year 11 GCSEs now well underway, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on what has been an incredible journey for our students, and to share some key moments as we look ahead to the exciting milestones still to come. It has been truly inspiring to see the commitment, maturity, and resilience shown by our Year 11 students over the past few months. Their work ethic and determination have been exceptional, with so many making the most of intervention sessions and revision opportunities.

The final day of normal lessons on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May was a memorable and emotional one. Students began the day with a special Leavers Assembly, filled with laughter and reflection as we looked back at their time at UHS. They enjoyed breakfast, spent time signing each other's shirts, and ended the morning with a school-wide 'clap out' – a truly moving moment as Year 7 and Year 10 students formed a guard of honour through the school. Many students are now proudly wearing their Leavers Jumpers, and there's a real buzz of excitement as we await the arrival of this year's Yearbooks. These keepsakes will no doubt serve as cherished reminders of their time at UHS.

Looking ahead, we are very much looking forward to welcoming students and families to the **Year 11 Celebration Evening on Wednesday 19th June**. This promises to be a special event, where we will come together to celebrate the achievements, progress, and perseverance of this fantastic year group.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish our students the very best in the remainder of their exams. I hope the next few weeks run smoothly and successfully for everyone. I'd also like to wish them good luck as they begin their **work experience placements** after exams – a valuable opportunity to gain insight into the world beyond school. And of course, I hope they enjoy a well-earned and restful summer.

Finally, on behalf of myself and the entire Year 11 Team, I would like to thank you – our parents and carers – for your continued support.

Your encouragement has been vital in helping guide our students through what has been a truly memorable and rewarding year.

Warm regards,  
Mr C Mac Sweeney

*There have also been some other great achievements this half term, you can find these on our [Instagram!](#)*

## Students' Achievements

### 1 - Most Rewards:

1. Simran S 11U
2. Macie MM 11F
3. Mollie 1B

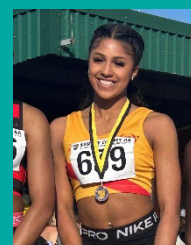
Congratulations to 11F who will end Year 11 with the most rewards of 307. 11U finished second with 300, followed by 11T on 278.

### 2 – Highest Attendance:

Congratulations to 11T who lead the way with the highest attendance throughout the year, in joint second was 11B and 11C.

### 3 –Success:

*Maia won the 100m U17 Surrey championship with a huge PB of 11.69*



**Maia competing in the 100m..  
CONGRATULATIONS WINNER!!!**

## Summer A Highlights

- DofE Awards night
- English Literature Day
- Mental Health Awareness Week
- Year 11 'Last Day'



**GCSE Exams in full swing!**



**Year 11 Last  
Official School  
Day**

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**Virtues:** Summer Term: Courageous

## Upcoming Events

- From 8<sup>th</sup> May: Year 11 GCSE Exams
- 19<sup>th</sup> June: Year 11 Celebration Evening
- 26<sup>th</sup> June: Sixth Form Induction Day
- 30<sup>th</sup> June- 11<sup>th</sup> July: Work Experience
- 21<sup>st</sup> August: GCSE Results Day

*\*Please note this is not a complete event list and is intended to provide a snapshot only. Events may be subject to change.*



*Doughnut day run by Year 12 to mark the halfway point of GCSE exams! Providing support and encouragement!*

Good luck with the rest of your exams!



Year 11 Clap Out and celebration earlier this half-term!



## Wellbeing

### Parental Workshops

**Cost of living crisis:** please use the link to check if you qualify for the governments Free School Meals scheme:

[https://self.merton.gov.uk/service/Pupil Premium and Free School Meals application](https://self.merton.gov.uk/service/Pupil%20Premium%20and%20Free%20School%20Meals%20application)

### Additional Support



[Young Merton](#)  
[Young Minds](#)  
[Off The Record](#)  
[Kooth](#)  
[MindEd](#)  
[e-wellbeing](#)

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## Health and well-being Services Directory and Resource Library

### Health and Wellbeing

The teenage years can bring about many well-being and mental health challenges for teens and their families. At the Ursuline High School, we fulfil our school values through our outstanding pastoral care. We understand that young women need to have the best view of themselves and the world around them to succeed.

We really do care for each one of our students and we ensure that their individual needs are known and met. Students have a variety of support available that they can access in school to support them, with any worries or anxieties students may have about school or outside of school.

Our focus on well-being is further supported by being part of the South-west London Mental Health Trailblazer. This partnership provides mental health support teams that work with students and their parents with the aim of ensuring they are well equipped to have healthy and honest conversations about emotional well-being – as well as connecting them to local services. This has enabled us to develop the services we have on offer at the Ursuline including a clinical psychologist, nurse and educational well-being practitioners.

If you or your daughter have a concern, then in the first instance please speak with your daughter's form tutor or pastoral support assistant. See the Year 9 list [here](#).

### Safeguarding

At the Ursuline High School, the well-being and the safety of young people in our care is paramount. We recognize our duty to ensure arrangements are in place for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. If you have a concern regarding a student please [contact the Safeguarding team](#).

### Parent/Carer Support Services Directory

Explore our [Directory](#) for a list of charities and other parenting experts sharing practical strategies, and powerful insights that can help to inform your conversations at home.

### Online Safety, Smart Devices and Social Media

Our [extensive online safety library](#) hosts our Smart Devices & Social Media Statement and other recommended resources related specifically to online safety. From social media and gaming to online challenges and conversation starters, our library is expansive.

### Girls' only Education

The [On educating Girls': Creating a World of Possibilities' podcast](#) produced by the International Coalition of Girls' Schools (ICGS) is a robust global conversation among experts who are passionate about the education and healthy development of girls. Tune in for practical strategies, and powerful insights that can reshape your conversations at home.