



Serviam & Social Action; Making A Difference In Our Local Community!



We are so proud of Year 8 for having put their heart and soul into their fundraising for their chosen charities in the **First Give Philanthropy project**. Students start working on this special project in Spring Term, and it is taught across PSHEC, Music and RE lessons with the aim to help our students understand about social justice and live out Catholic Social Teaching. Every year, Year 8 forms select a charity they feel strongly about and then sets about creating a plan as to how to best assist them, raising awareness, and money for their chosen charity. This then culminated in the Grand Final held on Friday 2nd May, where each class made a pitch to a panel in order to win an additional £1000 for their charity.

This year the charities selected were; **8 Angela:** Linden Lodge Charitable Trust, **8 Bernadette:** The Ben Kinsella Trust, **8 Catherine:** Refuge, **8 Francis:** Lives Not Knives, **8 Margaret:** Little Village, **8 Teresa:** Merton Faith in Action, and **8 Ursula:** Dons Local Action. Students worked extremely hard thinking up a variety of ways to support their charities; including many cake sales in the community, tik tok videos to promote awareness, and a staff race which was ticketed - with snacks available at an extra cost, of course!

Each form group then created fantastically persuasive pitches as to why their charities would make the best use of the £1000 prize, which they eagerly presented to judges at the Grand final, displaying their hard work, and dedication to the cause over the past few months. It was a very close call, however after much deliberation from the judges 8 Ursula were deemed winners of the £1000 prize, to help their charity 'Dons Local Action', a food bank charity run by members of AFC Wimbledon. Their powerful presentation really drove home the message of how vital food banks are at this current time, with a catchy jungle and emotive stories.

As a year group, Year 8 raised a grand total of £8,424 funding for all charities involved! Mr Kelly commented; *"This is a staggering and truly remarkable figure, smashing all previous records and is testament to the passion and energy for Serviam of all the Year 8s involved. Well done Year 8."*

Amazing. Thank you to all the parents who have helped support the Year 8s in their fundraising. We are very proud of Year 8's passion and perseverance!

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

The students in Year 11 and 13 have been role models to all the other years in their preparation and measured approach to the examinations and T level Assessments. We continue to support all students in managing this season and continue to keep them in our prayers and wish them well in their preparation. We look forward to celebrating the progress and achievements of all other year groups after their end of year examinations and setting targets for the next steps of their improvement in learning. As an Ursuline school, alive with the spirit of St Angela we recall her words, "you need not be anxious, if you do your best". 5th Counsel, and "I shall be in your midst praying with you". 9th Counsel

There's lots to celebrate and be proud of in the pages of this Inform and each of the year groups newsletters, please take time to read through these to share in the joy and achievements of our incredible community - built on the efforts of our students.

Students who are considering applying to Oxbridge visited Balliol College part of University of Oxford this half-term. During the day they received a tour of the college, attended taster sessions, found out more about the application process, received advice on how to choose a course, and were provided with personal statement support. I've been told it was a great day!

Significantly, three of our, Ursuline Sixth Form, Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award students, attended a prestigious celebration at Buckingham Palace where they collected their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award this half-term, you can read more on this [here](#). Whether it be in acts of Worship/Liturgy, Serviam, Sport, Music, Drama, Curriculum, Writing, Leadership or Sporting success, please take time to review this with your daughter (son) to ensure that they are aware, and are availing, of the opportunities and [enrichment](#) on offer at the Ursuline High School.

We are delighted to announce that our next school production will be 'Hairspray'. We look forward to updating you further with how students can get involved in due course.

Take care and thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Eoin Kelly, Headteacher



Good Shepherd Mass



We were proud to represent Ursuline High School at this year's **Good Shepherd Mass**, held at **St George's Cathedral** this half-term - which was celebrated by **Canon Michael Branch**. As part of this special Year of Jubilee, we brought along our Jubilee Passport and had it officially stamped, marking another step in our journey of faith and celebration.

Year 11 Leavers

Year 11 students received a lovely send off on **Friday 2nd May**, with our annual clap out by Year 7 and Year 10. This followed on from their Thanksgiving and Gratitude service held on Wednesday, and a Friday morning filled with shirt signing, staff well wishes, and more than a few tears. Thank you, Year 11, for your many contributions to our Ursuline Community over the past 5 years, and wishing you all the best in your exams as they start this week. We're sure Ursuline Sixth Form are looking forward to seeing many of you back in September.

And we will see you on Results Day for those GCSE grades!



Employer Taster Day



On **Thursday 24th April**, **Year 9** students had their **Employer Taster Day**. We welcomed group of professionals from different industries on our annual Year 9 Employer Taster Day. Students had a chance to listen to the talks about variety of jobs and routes into those professions, skills which they would need in the future. Among our guests were alumni, parents, and representatives from local businesses.

BOOK FROM: 8th July - 18th Sept!

Limited Availability!

Students of other faiths and non-faith are welcomed and secure places.



Open Events 2025



PLEASE ONLY SIGN UP TO ONE EVENT! NO TICKET - NO ENTRY!

Open Events

Open Events 2025: Our main school **Open Evening** will be held at UHS on **Wednesday 24th September** with **Open Mornings** on **Monday 29th September – Friday 3rd October**.

This will be an exciting time for prospective parents (and any current parents with Year 5 or 6 children) to view the school and get a taste of Ursuline Education.

Tickets will be available to book from 10.00am on **8th July - 18th September** via [Open Events](#) on our website.

Baitul Futuh Mosque



On **Thursday 24th April**, **Year 8** students had the enriching opportunity to visit **Baitul Futuh Mosque** in Morden, one of the largest mosques in Western Europe. The visit offered valuable insight into Islamic faith and practice, enhancing students' understanding of religious diversity and community life. Read more [here](#).

Ski Trip



Over the Easter Holidays students took part in the annual **Ski Trip to Italy**. Students had an amazing few days. The groups were of mixed ski ability, and after a challenging few days on the slopes, all students came away from the trip with a greater level of knowledge, and skills!

Flourishing Leadership

Flourishing together: A collective vision for the education system (2024)



Ursuline High School working with St Philomena's in the **Avila partnership** are delighted to be part of the pilot for the delivery for **Flourishing Leadership Programmes**.

For Ursuline teachers it is the chance to reflect on purpose, connect with like minded leaders and lead transformational change. We are excited to be part for this new development in schools' leadership.

Find out more via the QR code.

Student Leaders



On **Wednesday 7th May**, ten **Community Student Leaders** went to **Merton Civic Centre** to take part in a consultation exercise with the **Merton Youth Engagement** team. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers and the students gave feedback on a range of issues affecting young people in Merton.

Faith, Love, and Service

It is with deep sadness that we marked the passing of **Pope Francis** (1936-2025). Pope Francis was a leader who inspired the world with his unwavering commitment to peace, justice, and compassion for all. His teachings will continue to guide us as we strive to live out the values of faith, love, and service to others in our very own school, inspired by Saint Angela, who too was a champion and role model of similar virtue.

"Let us light candles of hope in the midst of darkness"

Pope Francis

May his legacy guide us toward a more light filled world. May he Rest in peace. Amen.



On **Tuesday 22nd April**, students took part in a short liturgy during tutorial time in his memory. We also hosted a Mass in our Chapel on **Wednesday 23rd April**, with a requiem mass to celebrate his life and legacy. May his soul rest in peace.

We now welcome in **Pope Leo XIV** as the newly elected successor. Pope Leo reminds us of our shared mission; to be united in God's love and to respond to His call with courage and compassion, both within our school community and beyond. We pray for Pope Leo and his ongoing journey as shepherd of God's people.



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Off To Oxford!

A big congratulations goes to **Anastasia** in **Year 13**! Anastasia has received an offer from **University of Oxford** for their Foundation programme in English Language and Literature! A wonderful achievement- we are very proud of her!

Eton Summer School



Congratulations to our **Year 12** students who were accepted on to the **Eton Summer School programme**. There were 1140 applications and only 516 spaces, so this really is an exceptional achievement! Well done: **Eleanor McC**, **Maya C**, **Isla C**, **Ellen W**, **Natalia B**, **Niamh B**, **Beatrice G**, **Ines P-H**, **Rosie K**, **Leanne L**, **Alexis D**, and **Gabriella K**.

UCAS!



On 13th May, we officially launched UCAS 2026 to **Year 12**.

Students received talks from representatives of various universities including; Cardiff, Surrey, Royal Holloway. They also heard from Ask Apprenticeships, who spoke to students about the various course options available. Find out [more](#).

Team GB!



Our resident gymnast has been flying the flag for Great Britain again! Ema recently represented Great Britain in an international **gymnastics** tournament where her team placed 3rd overall — and she took home a medal on beam in the individual events! Wow! We're so proud of her incredible achievements and the dedication behind them. Well done Ema and team!



Level 2 Leavers

On **Tuesday 6th May**, we held a **Leavers Service** celebrating our **Level 2** students in our school Chapel. Some students are pictured here. Congratulations everyone!

Year 13 Celebrations



Year 13 enjoyed an emotional last day on **Thursday 8th May** with their last official assembly, in which they heard from **Mr Kelly**, **Ms Floyd**, and the Head Leadership Team, and were presented with various awards and accolades. Congratulations to **Liv N** who was presented with the very special **Serviam Award** to **Abby L-K** who was presented the **Achievement Award**. The Year 13's last day was brought to a close with a poignant **Year 13 Leavers Mass** and celebration at **Sacred Heart Church** with our Ursuline Community which was greatly enjoyed by all. Best of luck with your next steps Year 13, see you on Results Day!



netball tennis football athletics
rock climbing cross country
trampolining basketball hockey
dance duke of edinburgh award
wimbledon ball girls cycling

Mini Marathon



We had 19 students complete the **London Mini Marathon** this April, completing the 2.6km route starting at **Horse Guards Parade** and finishing right outside **Buckingham Palace**. Well done to everyone who took part.

Harlequins Rugby



A great start to our summer of **Rugby** at our **Harlequins SWITCH Taster sessions**. Still spaces available for everyone to get involved and try out Rugby this summer. Please come and sign up in the PE office!

Swimming Star!

Maria (Year 7), took part in the 100m breaststroke at the **SE London Regional Championships** this half-term. Maria gave a superb performance in the water, taking away a silver medal in the process.

A huge well done to you Maria!



Surrey Championships



Maia (Year 11) won the 100m **U17 Surrey championships** on weekend of 10th May, with a huge PB of 11.69. This has now pushed her rankings up to No 2 in the UK for 100m & hurdles and she currently stands number 22 in the UK across all age groups for her 100m. The warm weather training camp in Jamaica over Easter certainly paid off, we are all so pleased for her.

Maia's dedication of competing all day on Saturday and in between heats swatting up on her revision. We are very proud of her. Watch this space for news on the Finals!



Athletics



Brilliant individual and team performances from our **Y8-10 Athletics** team at the **Merton Borough competition** this term. Several students met qualifying times to progress to **Surrey Schools** and represent Merton later this term. And overall, Ursuline finished 3rd across all **Merton** Schools.

U15 Tennis



Tennis season has kicked off with our **U15s** away at **Alleyns Dulwich**. All teams are out in action next week- so should have more tennis photos to forward next week too.