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Chaplain Update

This half term, we said farewell to our beloved Year 13s at their Celebration Mass and Awards Ceremony, before they started their external exams. During the exam season at the Ursuline, we encourage the girls to pray for God's guidance. The Chapel is a special place for them to go for prayer and quiet reflection and we say a prayer together before each exam. Our Year 7s received a prayer card with a Year 13 and Year 11 student's name asking them to pray for these students during their exams.

An excited 7 Catherine took part in their Insieme Exchange, travelling to St Angela's Forest Gate. The day explored the similarities we have as Ursuline schools and the importance of togetherness. In groups the students creatively looked at what Insieme meant to them through, art, drama and dance, the students all enjoyed their shared day together.

The theme of this year's Year 9 Retreat was 'Social Justice and Climate Change'. In groups the students looked at the environmental development goals and put together a plan to achieve one of the goals. They also discussed changes they could make in their lives to help the environment. We continued with the theme of the environment at our Generations Together forum at Wimbledon College, the theme of the debate 'As stewards of the world, what should we be doing about climate change'. Within the debate we explored Pope Francis's encyclical 'Laudato si', discussing how, as Catholics we have a part to play in helping our environment. The students put forward some good questions about whether protests have an impact, or hinder progress and discussed other potential methods for change.

Wishing you a restful half term break.

Ms Murphy



PRAYER OF THE 'MONTH'

*Lord, thank you that you are with me right now
Your love surpasses all fear
I give you the anxiety I feel
I surrender all my worries to you
Clear my mind
Calm my heart
Still my Spirit
Relax my being
That I may always glorify you
In everything I write, speak and do.
Amen*

SCRIPTURE OF THE 'MONTH'

Do Not Worry Matthew 6:25-34

I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well... do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Upcoming Events

Year 7 Chaplaincy and Ursuline Prep Trip

Mon 10th June
Aylesford

Year 12 Faith Day

Wed 12th June
UHS

Year 7 Retreat

Fri 21st June
Sacred Heart Church

Tea Party for Retired Members of the Community

Tues 25th June
UHS

End of Year Masses

Fri 19th July

News In Pictures



Year 9 Retreat with a Focus on 'Social Justice and Climate Change'.



Insieme Day with St Angela's, Forest Gate.



Good Samaritan Mass at Southwark Cathedral.



Year 13 Mass and Celebration Ceremony at Sacred Heart Church.



Year 12 Year Sixth Leavers' Service at Wimbledon College.



Generations Together Forum at WC with a Debate Theme of 'Climate Change'.