



## Arts Showcase & UHSFest!



"I really enjoyed the aircraft challenge... it was fun to create a plane with people from the Royal Air Force on hand to advise us... testing it afterwards was nerve-wracking.. but our team's flew quite far!" #proud

**Year 10 Student**

Students experienced a wide variety of mind broadening activities to round off a very busy academic year -during the first ever **UHS Fest!**

The week was designed to inspire students' love of learning by taking part in a range of activities both inside and outside of school.

Each year groups' week was based around a different theme, **Year 7** explored 'Walking in Someone Else Shoes', **Year 8** went on a voyage of 'Discovery', **Year 9** thought about 'Wellness' and it's implications in the modern world, whilst **Year 10** delved into 'Youth Culture' and it's effects!

Visits and experiences ranged from a theatre production (by the Globe Players), V&A Museum trip to discover more about 'upcycling', activities on Wimbledon Common a visit to **Sky Studios** and trips to Rome, Ireland and Valkenburg and a DofE residential!

In addition, we also held our annual **Arts Evening** on **Tuesday 3rd July**. Parents, students and staff were invited to see the amazing artistic talent in our KS4 and KS5 exhibitions. As part of the evening, parents also had the opportunity to get creative

There were all manor of creative activities on offer for them to try, including lino printing, illustration and finger painting workshops!

A fun evening was enjoyed by all and to top it off, a grand total of...

# £700!

was raised from a combination of art auction bids and kind donations.

Many thanks to all involved!





# headlines

Dear Parents and Friends

It has been an amazing Summer term, full of celebration, competitions and enrichment evenings in Art, Music and Sport. We are all truly blessed to be part of the Ursuline High School community in Wimbledon.

As the academic year draws to a close, we give thanks for the gifts and talents of all our young people and for their achievements this year.

A special thanks to all those members of staff leaving this year, especially to Mr Tucker, Mr Lord, Mr Tan and Mr Antonio who have all been at the Ursuline for over 15 years (a combined total of 68 years!)

I wish you and your families a relaxing summer holiday.

Best wishes

*Julia Waters*

Julia Waters BSc (Hons) MA  
Headteacher



## Social Action

"I now understand what social mobility is, how it is measured and its importance to our society and that there is so much more than just school determines how bright your future might be."

### Year 12 Student



Led by experts in the field, **Year 12** students from the Ursuline and Wimbledon College explored the extent, and causes of inequality and lack of social mobility in the UK today and the part that our Education System has to play in promoting social mobility. The Conference was held in partnership with TEAM (GLOBAL) and speakers provided some staggering facts and figures on inequality, its causes and what can be done about it within the education system and beyond!

Please see our school website for further details and photos!

## Celebrate!



Our **Year 11** students enjoyed a wonderful evening at their **Celebration Evening** on *Thursday 28th June*. With a thought provoking speech from guest speaker Carla Stent!

We look forward to seeing them all on **Results Day** in August (lots of luck), and will enjoy welcoming many familiar faces into our Sixth Form come September! Please see our school website for further details and photos!

## Healthy Eating!



Students participated in a number of activities for the **British Nutrition Foundation Healthy Eating Week**. Year 9 Food and Preparation looked at fibre and making some high fibre foods. During lunchtimes there were activities such as exotic fruit tasting with **Year 7** (including lychee, papaya and figs), whilst **Year 8** made vegetable samosas, **Year 9**; bean burgers and **Year 10**; vegetable fritters, students took away knowledge of the benefits of healthy eating. Great fun was had by all in D&T Food!

## Bonjour Mes Amis!



We had the pleasure of hosting **Ursuline Normandy** in June, who spent time with our students (improving their language skills). They also participated in some cake baking in D&T for a cake sale which raised nearly **£100** for the **Womens Education Partnership** charity- Serviam at it's finest!



# Year 13 Prom



**Year 13** certainly dressed for the occasion at their joint **Prom** with *Wimbledon College* on *Friday 29th June*. The Prom was arranged by the Head Boy and Girl teams at the respective schools and with minimal assistance from staff, they rose to the challenge! The event was held at **Coombe Wood Golf Club** in Kingston and attended by *Ms Waters* and *Mr Laing* and their respective Sixth Form teams and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended. We would like to take the opportunity to wish Year 13 all the best with their next steps, whether it be at university, or in the world of work! Thank you for your contributions to Ursuline High School over the years- you will all be missed tremendously.

## PSHEC Conference



"It was a very educational..The measuring glass really helped us see the which drinks have what units. It was really interesting."

**Year 9 Student**

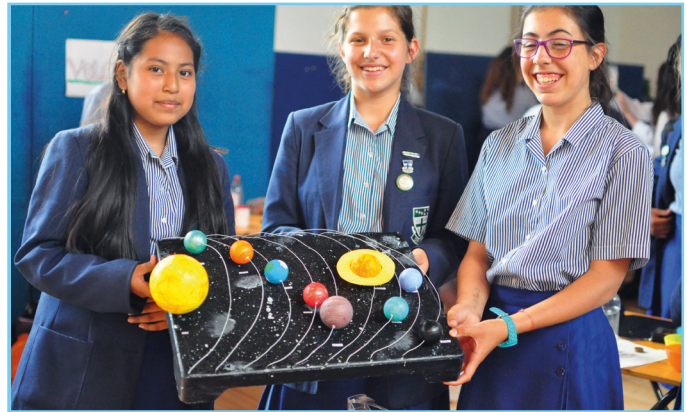
On *Wednesday 20th June* selected students in **Year 8-12** were invited to *St Philomena's School, in Carshalton* for a **PSHEC Conference** on drugs and alcohol.

## Taiwanese Visit



We were delighted to host **15 Taiwanese students** (and 2 teachers) for two weeks in July. The students had UHS 'buddies' who they shadowed during the school day. Our visitors concluded their experience with a farewell celebration, where the students received certificates and put on a dance performance! It was a pleasure to host you all!

# Science Fair



Students held an amazing **Science Fair** in *July*, which included a fantastic display of the solar system, creation of slime, production of elephant toothpaste (named after vast amount steaming foam produced by oxygen being captured by a detergent), an egg pressure experiment, walking water rainbow and phenolphthalein indicator experiment for the detection of acids and bases.

## UHS Dallas Visitors



We welcomed **Ursuline Dallas** students for their yearly visit this term. Students had a great time with Ursuline students family who kindly hosted them and certainly enjoyed visiting both the school and the sights in and around London. (Above enjoying a visit to **Wimbledon Tennis**.. we couldn't resist!)

## Other News...

Ypres, Year 10 University Talk, Chemistry Challenge Awards, National Gallery Visit, Water Music Festival at *Tower of London*, Summer Concert, Ursuline Fest, Teach Wimbledon Graduation Evening, Debates, Celebration Assemblies Year 10 Work Experience at Kings College and Guys and St Thomas' Hospital and the Arkwright Aircraft Design Challenge

**See our school website for more details!**





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

## Wimbledon



Congratulations to our girls who made it through the **Wimbledon Ball Girls** selection process! They have had a very busy yet exciting July at Wimbledon. Morgan in Year 12 was thrilled at being on centre court with *Serena Williams*- what an amazing opportunity! (See School Website for details).

## Sports Awards



We were very excited to welcome our UHS alumnae special guest speaker, **AFC Wimbledon** (football player) *Kelly-Jade Whelan* to our annual **Sports Awards Dinner** this term. It was an inspirational evening full of accomplishments and was fantastic to hear Kelly-Jade share her 'success' story!

## Cross Country Tennis



Well done to our cross country team who competed at **Nonsuch Park** relays in Cheam with another 110 teams!

Congratulations to our **BRILLIANT Y9/10 Surrey Schools** tennis team who played **Kingston Grammar School!**

An 8-4 win to KGS but some performances to be proud of! Well done to all ladies involved & for *Bella & Monica's* individual Singles Wins.



## Sports Day



Students had a excellent Sports Day at **Weir Arches Athletics & Fitness Centre** (right next door to the **AFC Wimbledon** and **Chelsea Ladies** training grounds!) Staff and students were in high spirits as they enjoyed watching a day of competitive sporting excellence!



Students participated in a variety of events including javelin, high jump, shot putt, 800m, 100m, egg and spoon race, staff and student relays and the highly anticipated tug of war. An enjoyable day was had by all in the sunshine!

Congratulations to all medal winners and well done to all competitors for taking part!

## DofE Awards



Congratulations to all students who completed their **Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Awards** this July, your efforts have been truly commendable and we have you have enjoyed the experience. Well done!



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Mon 3rd Sep  
Tues 4th Sep  
Weds 5th Sep

### INSET DAY INSET DAY

School Returns for Year  
7, 10, 11, 12 & 13  
Year 7 & 12 Induction Day  
Year 7 Photos in the LRC  
Year 10 Photos in the LRC

(10.30am-12.40pm)  
(1.25pm-3.10pm)

Thurs 6th Sep

(8.30-10.30am)  
(7.00-8.00pm)

School Returns For All Year Groups  
Year 12 Photos  
Year 7 Parents Information Evening  
Year 12 Induction at WC  
School Production Auditions  
Years 8-13

Fri 7th Sep

(2.00-3.00pm)

Tues 11th Sep (10.55am-12.40pm)

(2.00-4.00pm)

Year 8 Learning Conference  
New Year Mass at St George's  
Cathedral, Southwark  
Year 8 Information Evening

Weds 12th Sep (10.55-11.45am)

(1.25-3.10pm)

Year 12 Team Building Activities  
Computer Design Project with  
Wandsworth City Learning Centre  
Teach Wimbledon Mentors Meeting

Thurs 13th Sep (10.55-11.45am)

(7.00-8.00pm)

Year 9 & 10 Mass of the Holy Spirit  
Year 10 Information Evening  
Year 11 & 13 Mass of the Holy Spirit  
School Production  
Auditions Years 8-13

Fri 14th Sep (10.55-11.45am)

(2.00-3.00pm)

Mon 17th Sep (10.00-11.00am)

(12.40-1.20pm)

Parenting Course with Maria Kemp  
Student Leaders Fair  
Polish/Ursuline Exchange  
(until 23rd Sep)

Thurs 20th Sep (All Day)

(2.00-3.00pm)

Early Closure  
UHS Open Evening  
Late start: Registration at 9.30am  
Year 12 University of Surrey  
'Taster Day'

Mon 24th- Fri 28th Sep

Mon 24th Sep (2.00-4.00pm)

(10.00-11.00am)

School Production Rehearsals  
(Every Friday Until End of Term)  
Open Mornings  
Mop Up Photos in the LRC  
Year 13 Celebrations Evening, Hall

Tues 25th Sep (7.00-8.00pm)

(3.30-5.30pm)

Parenting Course with Maria Kemp  
Year 12 Faith Development Day  
'Meet the Employers' Year 12  
Speed Networking Event, Hall

Fri 25th Sep (All Day)

(All Day)

Year 9 Parents Information Evening  
Year 7 Tablet Distribution, Hall  
Year 11 Retreat Day  
Year 12 'Unlocked Careers' Event

Mon 1st Oct (10.30-10.55am)

(4.00-5.00pm)

Macmillian Coffee Morning  
Teach Wimbledon Mentors Training  
Student Leader Interviews  
(Until 5th Oct)

Tues 2nd Oct (10.00-11.00am)

(3.30-5.30pm)

Parenting Course with Maria Kemp  
Year 12 Parents Information Evening  
Year 10 & 12 Tablet  
Distribution, Hall

Weds 3rd Oct (6.00-8.30pm)

(12.30pm)

Dallas Trip Parents  
Information Evening  
Early Closure  
Sixth Form Open Evening

Fri 12th Oct (All Day)

(10.55-11.45am)

School Council Meeting, SFRC  
Wimbledon Bookfest  
(Until 12th Oct)  
Year 7 Liddington Residential  
(Until Weds 10th Oct)

Mon 8th Oct (10.00-11.00am)

(3.10-4.10pm)

Parenting Course with Maria Kemp  
Slovak Sisters Visit  
Year 12 Southampton  
University Visit

Tues 9th Oct (3.10-4.10pm)

(All Day)

YSVP visit to Kew House Care Home  
Mulberry Conference  
Year 9 & 11 Mass of St Ursula, Hall  
Year 11 'Our Futures' Conference

Thurs 18th Oct (8.45am-12.40pm)

(10.55-11.45am)

Year 10 & 13 Mass of St Ursula, Hall  
Year 10 STEM Hacker Box Event  
Year 7 & 8 Mass of St Ursula, Hall  
Academic Review Day (All Years)

Fri 19th Oct (11.50am-12.40pm)

(11.50am-12.40pm)

Year 12 & 13 Faith Development Day  
Year 12 Mass of St Ursula, USFC  
**TERM ENDS**

Mon 22nd Oct- Fri 26th Oct

Mon 29th Oct

**HALF TERM**  
**SCHOOL RETURNS**