

URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to

Year 7

Information Evening



Welcome

Ms Julia Waters Headteacher



Insieme Together



Students in an Ursuline school are growing to be individuals who are...

united in harmony, being bound to one another by the bond of love, respecting each other, helping each other and bearing with each other.

grateful for their own gifts, for the gift of others, and for the blessings of each day; and **generous** with their gifts, in the service of others.

openly **listening** to their experience and to their vocation or calling in life; and being **attentive** to the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

loving in their just actions and forgiving words and **compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate;

faith-filled in their beliefs and hopeful for the future.

courageous in their actions and interactions with others and **resilient** in the face of challenge and change.

discerning and reflective in their studies and other activities and **joyful** in their engagement with the world.

leading in the tradition of Serviam, serving God and one another in their commitment to their school and communities, both local and global, in the pursuit of **justice** for all.

conducting their lives, in both words and actions, as witnesses to the **truth** that is Jesus Christ, acting with **integrity**, nurturing relationships built on trust.

SERVIAM: I will serve in the daily routines of my school life, my life at home, my life in my local community, my life in the wider world.

Prayer

Lord help us

All: to accept you in all parts of our lives.

Lord inspire us

All: to surround ourselves with friends and faith communities that will nourish us and help us grow strong.



Prayer

Lord guide us

All: that you may produce in us love and peace, patience and kindness, faithfulness, humility and self-control.

Lord make us appreciate

All: the gifts that we receive from you and from everyone in our lives



Prayer

Lord invite us

All: to continue to help these young people grow and be inspired by us.

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord and our brother, our teacher and our friend.

All: Amen



Teaching and Learning in Year 7

Mr Owen Nichols

Assistant Head teacher

Teaching and Learning KS3/4
Curriculum
Digital Learning



What Are The Key Features In Teaching And Learning At UHSW?

- Progress leading to excellent examination achievement
- All students needs are met differentiation
- High expectations
- Checking understanding
- Intervention when needed
- Excellent teacher knowledge
- Student engagement
- High quality marking and feedback



Our Priorities

- Progress in lessons & over time
- Engagement with the subject
- Developing key skills
- Participation in lessons
- Becoming independent & lifelong learners
- Active Learners linked to new linear courses.



Assessment For Learning

- Know target grades in all subjects
- Understand what is required to improve
- Ask questions
- Respond and act on teachers feedback
- Assess own work and work of others



Organisation

- Green pen
- Mini whiteboard
- Tablet
- Exercise books- up to date, neat, organised and covered. Inside the front cover should be an up to date Progress Tracker
- Planner- record all homework
- Stationery equipment and be prepared for practical lessons



Pride In Books

- 1. Cover every book and repair any damage to them.
- Glue the Progress sheet to the inside of the front cover and keep it up to date.
- Green pen your work and correct any mistakes as directed by your teacher.
- 4. Catch up on any missed work as soon as possible.
- 5. Keep your work neat and tidy at all times.
- Glue all of your work sheets into your book in the correct place. Do not have any loose sheets and make sure you glue any assessments in as well.
- 7. Date all of your work and underline, with a ruler, every heading.
- Do not scribble, doodle or mark any pages with anything other than directed work.
- 9. Draw all graphs in pencil and always write in pen.



Teaching and Learning Beyond School - How Parents Can Help

- Curriculum guide for information on courses
- School calendar for events
- Homework timetable
- Planner- always check and sign
- Exercise books
- Time and space to study
- Talk about learning



Digital Literacy



Digital Learning Provision

School tablet scheme

Distribution from Tuesday 24th Sept

Computer rooms (9)

- Lunchtimes
- After school
- Wireless access for school laptops
- MS Teams VLE (Virtual Learning Environment)



How Will MS Teams and Tablets Enhance Your Daughter's Learning?

Enhances student engagement

•e.g. Online quizzes and questions, MyMaths, online textbooks, revision websites,

Provides tools for teachers to **stretch and challenge** students to their potential

•e.g. Video tutorials recommended based on an individual students needs and interactive automatically marked guizzes

Allows students to **collaborate** on projects from any location

•e.g. shared documents via Frog, access to all their school documents via Frog and their tablet

Teachers and students can have a dialogue

•e.g. online marking of work, class/individual blogs on Frog, feedback through surveys on Frog

Students can learn **independently** and at their own pace

•e.g. personalised online activities e.g. Mathswatch and a choice of activities on Frog that are differentiated for your daughter's needs



Homework & Grouping



Grouping

All tutor groups are mixed-ability.

 In Year 7, students are mostly taught in tutor groups and therefore in mixed-ability groups.

 In Year 7, students are taught in sets in Maths, English and French.



Setting

Looking at the internal assessment taken in April at Ursuline, students have been set for English, Maths (and French).

In English, students have been set based on their performance in their reading and writing assessment.

In Maths, students have been set based on their results (non-calculator paper).

In French, students are in the same groups as in English. The work will be differentiated to ensure all students achieve their best.

Setting will be reviewed based on the SATs results and in case of discrepancy with our internal assessment some changes may be made later in the Autumn term.

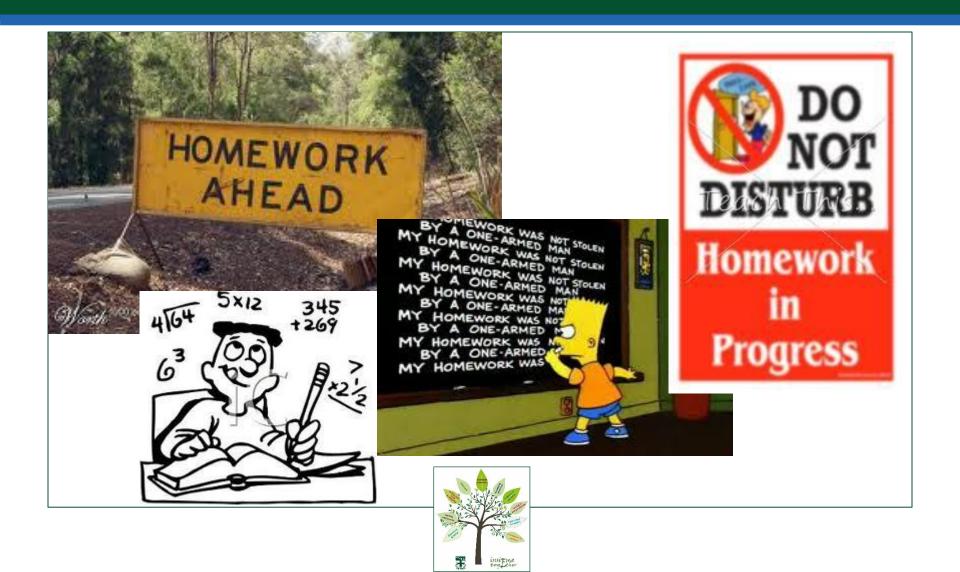


What Happens Next?

- Student work is marked fortnightly and students will also take a number of cumulative assessments throughout the year.
- Based on student progress, further changes may be made at Christmas or Easter.
- You will always be informed of set changes in writing.
- Setting does not limit progress or lower our expectations.



Homework in Year 7



Why Set Homework?

Research based on 161 studies involving more than 100,000 students worldwide shows that:

•Compared to classes without homework, the use of homework advances students' achievement by approximately one year.



What Are We Trying To Achieve?

- Homework is about <u>progress</u>:
 - It reinforces, challenges and extends learning.
 - It enhances learning skills and helps prepare well for exams.
- Homework is about <u>developing good habits</u>:
 - It helps building student responsibility, perseverance, time management and self-confidence.
- Homework is about <u>links between the school, students and parents</u>:
 - Homework plays a key role in developing Parent-Student interaction, informing parents about what is happening in class.



How Do We Achieve It?

- We set the best possible type of homework, which will impact on your daughter's learning:
 - Re-drafting & making corrections
 - Applying knowledge through practising exercises / answering questions
 - Extended writing
 - Rote learning
 - Rehearsals & practice (particularly for the Arts)
 - Independent work (My maths)
 - Prep work



Main Problems Encountered

- Your daughter has forgotten to do the homework.
- Your daughter does not understand the instructions in order to complete the homework.
- The homework is too difficult or too easy.
- The homework is not carefully recorded in the planner.
- Your daughter has lost the worksheet.



How Can You Help?

- 1. Give some of your time to your daughter.
- 2. Check your daughter's diary / MS Teams on a weekly basis.
- 3. Help your daughter to organise herself and prioritise her homework.
- 4. Ask to see her exercise books from time to time.
- 5. Provide a quiet environment at home.
- 6. The best way to learn is to be able to teach someone what you've learnt. Become a learner: ask your daughter to teach you what she's learnt.
- 7. Help your daughter avoid distractions when she's doing her homework (using mobile phones and watching TV will affect the quality of the learning).
- 8. Ensure your daughter takes a break between pieces of homework.
- 9. Monitor your daughter's use of the Internet.
- 10. Encourage your daughter to read a book.



Assessment, Recording and Reporting

Mr Eoin Kelly

Deputy Head teacher

KS3 Standards







Assessment, Recording and Reporting





- 1. Starting Points.
- 2. UHS Target Standards.
 - 3. Progress.



Starting Points

ARE (Age related Expectation) Targets not capped or Limiting





What is ARE?

- Age-related expectation is the average standard of work expected at a given age or development in education. (This Changes over Time)
- At the end of KS2 Y6, ARE will be 100 (scaled score) (4a in old levels).
- Each Year some students are below, on, above or significantly above this average when joining UHS.
- We have devised a system called the UHS Standards to target, track and support students progress through KS2.







UHS Standards

Upon their entry in the school, students will be given a Standard Target at which they will be expected to meet or exceed in their work. There are four possible targets: Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum.

The Bronze Standard Target will be allocated to students arriving in Year 7 below ARE. Students attaining Bronze standard by the end of Y8 will be targeted a Grade 3 at GCSE. (Currently those students from KS2 below 96)

The Silver Standard Target will be allocated to students arriving in Year 7 at ARE. Students attaining Silver standard by the end of Y8 will be targeted a Grade 4 to 6 at GCSE. (Currently those students from KS2 with 97-105)

The Gold Standard Target will be allocated to students arriving in Year 7 above ARE. Students attaining Gold standard by the end of Y8 will be targeted a Grade 7 or 8 at GCSE. (Currently those students from KS2 with Levels 106-114)

The Platinum Standard Target will be allocated to students arriving in Year 7 significantly above ARE 115+ (the old 5a). Students attaining Platinum standard by the end of Y8 will be targeted a achieve Grade 8-9 at GCSE.

Targets are not Limiting students are expected to match their standard but can move up.

- This means that any student currently
- joining Below <u>ARE</u> who would start on Bronze needs
- to be supported in class in order to make
- accelerated progress with the ambition that she
- would move to Silver Standard and close the gap.
- We are setting targets which are challenging/aspirational and if achieved would continue to produce outstanding progress for all students.







Advice Given to Students

- Your key task will be to ensure you always work to this target and to try your very best to move to the next one up.
- Your teachers will tell you what you need to do to stay on your target and what you need to do to aim for the target above.







Progress Is Built Into The Design Of The Standards

- In line with the Assessment calendar, all subjects have designed sets of standards:
- Standards for Year 7 Autumn A to Spring A
- Standards for Year 7 Spring B to Summer B
- Standards for Year 8 Autumn A to Spring A
- Standards for Year 8 Spring B to Summer B
- The standards get progressively more challenging in line with increasing <u>ARE</u>





How We Grade Work

- Formatively
- Assessment to aid learning journey (Throughout each half term)
- Summatively
- Assessment of Acquired knowledge at an Assessment Point.
 (Standard Awarded each half term)
- We use a mix of both



How We Grade Work

- In addition to the standards, effort grades are reported to students and parents each half term
- Outstanding
- Good
- Requires improvement
- Poor



Progress, Additional Support

- If students are below ARE or drop below their standard;
- Small Group interventions in Numeracy, Literacy and Reading recovery.
- Specific Learning Support Groups.
- In class intervention in Subjects.
- Students with Specific SEND will have intervention as Co-ordinated by the SENCO.



Online Electronic Mark Book (EMB)

 We have a system called Progresso where you can access information on your daughters attendance, punctuality, behaviour along side any reports on progress, attainment or exams produced during her time at the school.



Accessing This Information

- www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk
- Click on Progresso Link
- Enter username and password (distributed to you directly from Progresso on your school email). You will be asked to change your password termly. Please make a note of your changed password.
- If you have more than one child, you will be able to access all details concerning all your daughters.
- If you experience any difficulty please ask for extra help when you come to collect your daughter's laptop.
 Alternatively follow the Progresso Log in help on the school website clicking

Assessment, Recording & Reporting Cycle

Autumn A:

- EMB standard is entered for each subject based on a cumulative test this term and is made availableon Progresso
- 1st Academic Review Day (Parent/Student Teacher Meeting)
- 17th October 2018 P5 & P6 & 18th Oct P1-P6

Autumn B:

- EMB standard is entered for each subject based on a cumulative test this term and is made available on
- Progresso. Report also posted home.

Spring Term A: EMB Standard entered on a cumulative test on all work covered so far in Year 7 (This level is made available on Progresso)

Spring Term B: EMB standard entered and posted home + Progresso

• 1st Academic Review Day 2nd April 2019 P5 & P6 and 4th April P1-P6

Summer Term A: EMB Average grades available online

- 5th May Help prepare your daughter for Exams Evening Session
- End of Year Exams 1st June 5th June
- Parents' Evening: 2nd July
- Year 7 Full report distributed at parents' evening.
- Summer Term B: EMB Cumulative grade available online

Pastoral Care

Ms Michelle Alexander

Assistant Head Teacher



Friendship 'Ups and Downs'

- Very common issues around friendship changes
- Advice to students about dealing these situations
- Support our message of respect
- Work together to help them navigate these tricky times
- Get involved in activities/clubs to meet others

Social Media in Year 7

- Countless friendship issues which are exacerbated by the misuse of social media
- Drawn into issues with other student
- Tempted to say unkind comments
- Unable to move past comments online
- We have a no social media policy in Y7 asking for your support
- If students do use social media, this will be taken into consideration when dealing with issues raised
- We need to work together to support our young people and we are stronger is we all do the same

Dangers Online

- Risk of coercion
- Pictures, comments etc can be passed on without permission.
- Access to people they do not know easily
- Not easy for young people to recognise a 'stranger' online
- Easy to inadvertently share personal info

What Can We Do?

- Recognise the risks has an 11 year old got the emotional maturity to handle them?
- Limit the time spent on electronic devices and remove them in the evenings/night.
- Know what she is doing online open space at home for access
- Know logins and passwords
- School monitoring of devices even at home (e-forensics)

Where Can I Get Practical Advice?

- www.childnet.com
- www.saferinternet.org.uk
- https://www.tigermobiles.com/2015/05/how-toprotect-your-children-on-their-smartphone/
- https://www.internetmatters.org/



Where Can I Get Practical Advice?



Parental Monitoring

- It's hard to keep an eye on your child's internet usage 24/7, especially when every device they use is connected to the web. Whether they're researching for homework, posting on social media or watching videos of fails or hauls, kids and teens have become more and more reliant on their devices and keeping them safe is no longer about peering at the family desktop screen. With internet accessibility at an all-time high, here are some apps to help you create boundaries and keep your child safe online, even when they're on their mobiles or tablets! It is your responsibility to ensure they use social media safely.
- App such as Qustodio, Norton Family Premier and Net Nanny details here for comprehensive monitoring:
- https://www.tescomobile.com/the-hub/5-best-parental-controlapps-for-mobiles-and-tablets/

Travel To And From School

- Straight to and from school
- No loitering in Wimbledon no shops
- No more than 4 students together
- Travel carefully and respectfully
- Travel safety afternoon (TFL)
- Feel prepared in a difficult situation

LGBTQI

Accompaniment is an **art of enabling someone to grow, to develop, to help and support that person to discover who they are** as being made in God's image; to help someone to become fully human with an intrinsic dignity

- Archdiocese of Southwark with
- Catholic Secondary Headteachers
- Framework for guiding Catholic schools on developing a
- pastoral response to the needs of students who identify
- as LGBT within Catholic schools

The framework has allowed UHS to:

- Create a guidance on providing an appropriate response to meeting the needs of students who identify as LGBT
- To help UHS remove barriers which are oppressive and disadvantaging for LGBT students.

LGBTQI

The starting point for supporting students who identify as LGBT is the recognition that every person, regardless of their sexuality is created in the image and likeness of God and therefore has an intrinsic dignity which must be respected at all times.

The Framework sets out four essential pillars when considering a pastoral response to the needs of LGBT students:

- 1) Accompaniment
- 2) Discernment
- 3) Informed Conscience
- 4) Seeing the person / not the act

Provision At UHS

- A bullying policy and code of conduct for students which recognises prejudice related to LGBTQI
- Gender neutral toilet e.g. KS3 toilet
- Changing names and gender markers on files by agreement of parents for students 16 or under
- 16+ name changed by deed poll– requires reprints of exam certificates etc.
- Mentoring
- Student Equalities Group
- School Counsellor
- PSHEC program to address LGBT and equality issues
- Work with parents to signpost support services

A copy of the guidance will be available online for you to access.

Anti-bullying Policy

- UHS Process for dealing with alleged bullying
- Incident reported to school by staff/parent/student
- HOY/SLT begins investigation of incident
- Statements taken from all concerned, including witnesses
- Parents informed of investigation by HOY/SLT
- Decision regarding incident is made once all evidence is collated
- Appropriate sanction/support given and parents informed
- Support /strategies offered to students
- Conflict resolution between students
- Incident logged and monitored by HOY. Further incidents will be considered in future

Mental Health

- Growing concern for our young people resilience building is key
- Balance with work and play
- Their best will always be good enough
- Pastoral support team
- Safeguarding team
- School Counsellor/Nurse/EWP
- Off The Record Counselling and Kooth (online counselling) available to students this term

Off The Record

- If you are aged 11-25 and attend the Ursuline High School, you can now access emotional support ranging from one-off support through our walk-in counselling sessions and outreach work through to our ongoing support through individual online counselling and face-to-face counselling. If you're under 13 we will need the consent of your parent/carer.
- Off the Record is an established charity which has been providing free, professional support to young people in Croydon, Sutton, and most recently Merton over the last 25 years. Our staff share a vision of "Bringing an end to mental health misery for children and young people in South London".

Off The Record

- <u>Counselling</u> Free and confidential counselling to young people aged 11-25. All Ursuline Students are entitled to access services.
- <u>Drop-In</u> Drop In service for young people aged 11+ every Wednesday from 3.30-5.30pm.
- Online Support Free online counselling for young people aged 11-25.
- Later this term, we hope to have more online counselling available via **Kooth** – we will share details with parents and students.

Punctuality

Numbers of lates	Staff responsible/action to be taken	Consequence for pupil
1	Tutor conversation/HOY	Student signs in early the next day
2-3	Tutor conversation/HOY	Student signs in early the next day
4	Tutor phone call home	Parents informed/ Student signs in early the next day
5-8	Deputy Head late detention. Letter home (PSA)/HOY call home.	1 hour's detention on day of 5 th late /parents informed
9	HOY – phone call home. Loss of break and lunch times all week. (PSA rota). Second letter home.	Parents informed/break and lunch detentions for week.
10-12	HOY holds meetings with parents, punctuality action plan put in place. Half termly review. Loss of break and lunch times for second week. Third letter home.	Parent meeting/action pan/ break and lunch detentions for week.
13-14	Year Group Senior Leader meeting with parents to review action plan and support.	Parent meeting/action plan/ break and lunch detentions for week.
15	Meeting with Head Teacher and parents. Head Teacher's Saturday detention (Fortnightly 9-10am, SLT rota).	Head Teacher's Saturday detention.
16+	Escalation to Governors panel.	

Attendance

- We want the students to be in school wherever possible.
- We monitor all students with under 92% attendance weekly
- Students with excellent attendance have a much higher chance of succeeding socially and academically
- Please support us in ensuring our students have the best access to our curriculum, so they can achieve in areas.

PSHEC In Y7

- Autumn term:
- First Impressions: organisation, teamwork, stereotyping, prep for residential trip
- CSE, Prevent, FGM, PASS Survey, British Values, Black History Month
- Conflict: resolving conflict, cyber bullying, friendships, Christmas charity fair,
- Safe Travel information, Knife crime, Positive Mental Health
- Spring term:
- Body Image: puberty, healthy lifestyles, eating habits and disorders, emotional wellbeing, stress
- Drug Awareness
- Relationships: modern families, divorce, homosexuality, SRE
- LGBTQI History Month
- Summer term:
- Careers: Careers, finances, rights and responsibilities, media and free press
- support with options for Y8, revision skills ahead of exam week
- Politics: Case study taking action and bringing about political change
- Sports day prep, Y7 Debates prep, Serviam Assembly prep

Précis of Emergency Plans

All of our emergency plans have been developed with the care of the children as the priority. This sometimes means that immediate access to children may not be the most appropriate action for parents to take. This document summarises the plans we have in place and what you can expect should they be activated.

Emergency Plan

- The schools generic emergency plan details how the school management
- team will deal with an emergency affecting the school. This could be fire,
- snow, flood, power failure, pandemic flu, infectious disease or any other
- serious impact on the school.

Précis of Emergency Plans

Senior staff have delegated actions in an emergency and other plans may be activated as part of our response. Arrangements will be put in place to deal with communications, care of the children, dealing with suppliers and any other area.

Emergency Evacuation Plan

Should something happen within the boundaries of the school site, or in close proximity, and we are advised to leave the school, this plan will be activated.

This predetermined plan details how the school will be evacuated, where we would go, with alternative's if required; detailed arrangements for care of the children, communication with parent/guardians/carers and collections arrangements if appropriate.

Emergency Lockdown Plan

This plan details how the school will be made secure if circumstances demand it. When activated this plan will prohibit access to and egress from the school with the exception of emergency services personnel. Children and staff will not be permitted to leave the school during lockdown unless permitted to by the Police on the grounds of medical advice.

This plan details how parents/guardians/carers will be communicated with; arrangements for extended periods of care; emergency feeding and medical care of required.

Likely scenarios include; intruder on site; incident nearby that could affect the school (i.e. toxic smoke) or on receipt of advice/order from emergency services.

This plan will always be activated on the advice of the emergency services.

Y7 Pastoral Workshops for Parents

- 7th November 6pm Clinical Psychologist workshop
- 3rd December 6.30pm Y7 Autumn Pastoral workshop Managing friendships and Social Media
- 20th January 6pm Clinical Psychologist workshop
- 3rd March 6.30pm Y7 Spring Pastoral workshop Positive Mental Health
- 14th May 6pm Clinical Psychologist workshop
- 15th June 6.30pm Y7 Summer Pastoral workshop personal relationships and positive boundaries

School Ethos

Ms K. Connor

Acting Assistant Head Teacher



School Ethos



Our school motto is Serviam - 'I will serve'

All Ursuline students are expected to use their gifts and talents for the service of God and our community.



- The school offers a wide range of opportunities for personal development, learning skills, developing character and promoting confidence.
- Participation in the wider life of the school is a basic expectation and there are activities suited to lots of different interests.

Our theme for the year is Insieme – Together

Together we are stronger and can achieve great things. As human beings we flourish in community.

The Serviam Passport

- Students record their acts of Serviam on their passport
- Minimum expectation of two entries per half term
- Passport is monitored by tutors
- Recognition of students' contribution to Serviam takes
- place at the end of each term certificates for those who show exceptional commitment
- Serviam assembly at the end of the year where students share their contributions with their peers
- Serviam Award at celebration



The App

CONFIDENCE
CURIOSITY
COMMUNICATION
RESPECT
RESILIENCE
LEADERSHIP
PROBLEM SOLVING
MORAL COMPASS

- Our ethos, values, and curriculum enable students to develop positive character traits that will contribute to their success in life beyond school.
- New addition to the Serviam Passport allows students to map their progress in developing these qualities
- One per key stage
- Mapped across 6 strands of personal development:

Character	Spirituality	Citizenship	Health &	Cultural	Employability
development			Wellbeing	Capital	

Student Leadership, Enrichment, Careers and Parental Engagement

Mrs Victoria Jefferies

Head of Year 7



Student Leadership and Enrichment

- Student Leadership:
- Arts
- Community
- Media
- International
- Environment
- Teaching & Learning
- Science
- New Technologies
- School Council



Primary School: Our Lady Queen of Heaven

Best Year 7 Achievement: I was awarded the Best Speaker Award in the Inter House Debates and the Year 7 Science Prize.

Enrichment activities from Year 7: I have enjoyed taking part in Football and Cricket Club. Creative Writing and Science Club. I love Debate Competitions and I play my Flute in the Orchestra.

What did you most enjoy during Year 7?

The trip to Liddington PGL was brilliant. I love the Giant Swing. That and Sports Day – that was so much fun.

What advice would you give the new Year 7 students? Don't follow your friends – be your own person.

I recommend Ursuline High School because.... Everyone is included. Nobody is left out or left behind.



Primary School: Corpus Christi, Brixton

Best Year 7 Achievement: Being selected for the year 7 Netball and Cricket Teams

Enrichment activities from Year 7: I have enjoyed taking part in Art Club, Inter-house

Debates, the Netball and Cricket Teams. I have been a Student Leader for Equalities and taken part in charity initiatives such as the Christmas Shoe box appeal.

What did you most enjoy during Year 7? I loved Sports Day and the History and English Day trips.

What advice would you give the new Year 7 students? Do not stress out about forgetting things, the teachers are very supportive in helping you get organised.

I recommend Ursuline High School because.... You get to focus on new subjects and have lots of opportunities to try new things.



Primary School: St Boniface, Tooting

Best Year 7 Achievement: Making new friends. Nobody in my form is from the same

primary school as me.



Enrichment activities from Year 7: I really enjoyed getting to know other Ursuline students on the trip to Forest Gate. I love Art Club and Reading Club and completing charity events and fundraising.

What did you most enjoy during Year 7?

Getting to know my teachers and overcoming challenges with support.

What advice would you give the new Year 7 students? Don't be scared. There are always people here to help you.

I recommend Ursuline High School because... there is a wide variety of subjects to learn, taught by lots of different teachers. You get a very good learning experience here.



Primary School: St Agatha's, Kingston

Best Year 7 Achievement: Selected for the Year 7 Indoor Athletics Team

Enrichment activities from Year 7: I took part in Dancebites Club, Netball Club and Indoor Athletics Team. I have also enjoyed taking part in Choir and charity work for Diabetes UK. I supported the Christmas Shoe Box appeal.

What did you most enjoy during Year 7? I loved our PGL trip to Liddington. The Giant Swing and Kayaking was so much fun!

What advice would you give the new Year 7 students? Don't be scared, everyone is in the same position. Be open to making new friends.

I recommend Ursuline High School because... it is a safe place! It is welcoming and the teachers are very nice. You will improve your grades from year 6-7.



Y6 Summer Work

Y6 Summer work was issued to help the students retain their Y6 knowledge and push onward over the summer.

It included:

- English
- Maths
- RE
- Science

Students will use this work in their specific Lessons in first week.



Careers

- Ursuline High School is committed to ensuring students experience a full, varied and interesting careers journey through our dedicated programme
- During this year
 - All Year 7 will hear about careers and apprenticeships during assemblies and Lunch and Learn sessions
 - All Year 7 students will have a World of Work morning hearing from employers and understanding the skills and qualities important in work
 - All students will have access to START the careers software to explore different jobs and careers
- Parents/carers have an important role to play in supporting their daughter with their careers planning and exploring. We welcome the offer of your support to the school and its careers activities
- All students and parents can contact the Careers Advisor Shirley Ward in the LRC and the Careers Leader Marion Lyons – marion.lyons@uhsw.com
- Further Careers information can be found on the school website



Parental Engagement

- Personal guidance and 1 to 1 Careers and Sixth Form interviews
- Dedicated Careers sessions in the PSHE programme to explore the work of work and their options and what opportunities are available to them.
- Access to START and Unifrog 2 software programmes where they (and you) can among others things explore careers, employability skills, CV writing and future destinations.
- The opportunity to meet with employers every year through lunchtime and after school talks and different dedicated year group activities.
- The opportunity to link what they learn in their subjects to how this applies in the world of work
- Ability to use the well-resourced Careers library available to them in the LRC.
- Access to meet with the Careers Lead, Careers Advisor and UCAS Co-ordinator at any time throughout the year for advice, information and guidance.
- Marion Lyons Careers Lead, Shirley Ward Careers Advisor, Lorraine Petheram UCAS Plus Coordinator







Parental Engagement

- Academic Review Day October & March
- Interim reports half-termly
- Parents evening and full report July
- Back to school event 12th & 13th November
- Y7 Commissioning Service (Wednesday 6th November, 7pm)
- Revision Booklets to support you with Exam help available around Easter



Diary/Planner





Questions

Any general questions?

If you do have a specific question, please do stay behind and our staff would be happy to answer them.



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Thank you for your time this evening!

