

# Year 11 Update

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## Summer Term A 2024

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

With the Year 11 GCSE's now well underway, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey of our Year 11 students, and the exciting milestones that lie ahead in the months to come. With only a few weeks left until the culmination of their GCSE journey, it's heartening to see how their hard work and dedication are paving the way for future successes.

The Year 11 students have demonstrated an exceptional work ethic, attitude, and diligence in their exam preparations. Their commitment to attending interventions and engaging fully in their studies highlights their motivation to achieve their best in the upcoming GCSE exams. Their determination has been nothing short of inspiring. In preparation for their English Literature exam, many students had the enriching experience of attending a production of *Macbeth* at Wimbledon Theatre. This outing provided them with a deeper understanding of the text, which will undoubtedly enhance their exam responses.

Our Year 11 Leavers Service, held on the Wednesday before study leave commenced, was a poignant occasion. It was a time to reflect on their journey, celebrate their achievements, and look forward to the future. The final day of normal lessons on May 3rd was an emotional one, as the rest of the school gathered to give Year 11 a heartfelt 'clap out' parade. This symbolic farewell marked the end of a significant chapter in their academic lives. We eagerly anticipate celebrating the achievements of our Year 11 students at the Year 11 Celebration Evening on 19th June. This event will be a wonderful opportunity to recognise their hard work and perseverance throughout their time with us. I look forward to seeing many of you there, sharing in the pride and joy of this milestone.

I want to take this opportunity to applaud the unwavering dedication and hard work of our students. Their resilience and determination have been truly commendable. As they continue to prepare for their exams, I have no doubt that their efforts will be rewarded. Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. As we approach the final weeks of the term, I wish all our Year 11 students the very best in their exams and look forward to celebrating their successes in June.

Warm regards,

Mr C Mac Sweeney

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

## Students' Achievements

### 1 - Most Rewards:

1. Rut MJ 11F
2. Amelie LD 11A
3. Marianne RA 1B

Congratulations to 11U who will end Year 11 with the most rewards of 456. 11C finished second with 396, closely followed by 11F.

### 2 – Highest Attendance:

Congratulations to 11C who lead the way with the highest attendance throughout the year, in second was 11T, followed by 11M.

### 3 –Success:

*Well done to who has made progress in their most recent EMBs, your hard work is really paying off. Keep up the good work.*



Year 11 Leavers  
Service

## Summer A Highlights

- DofE Awards night
- Feast of Ascension Mass
- English Literature Day
- Mental Health Awareness Week
- Year 11 'Last Day'



Last Official  
Lessons: French  
(far left) and  
P.E (left)

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## Upcoming Events

- 9<sup>th</sup> May – 19<sup>th</sup> June: Year 11 GCSE Exams
- 19<sup>th</sup> June: Year 11 Celebration Evening
- 27<sup>th</sup> June: Sixth Form Induction Day
- 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> July: Work Experience
- 22<sup>nd</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.*

## Year 11 Virtues

Summer Term: Courageous



Good luck with the rest of your exams!



Year 11 Clap Out 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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Dear parent(s)/carer(s),

## **Parent Communications:**

At the Ursuline parental communication is really important to us. We have listed below a reminder of the correct person you should contact for a particular enquiry:

**Form tutors** – general enquires about the Ursuline, friendship issues, organisation, homework, clubs/enrichment, uniform, equipment, travelling to/from school, trips/calendar events.

11 Angela	Mr Odhiambo	<a href="mailto:sulumenty.odhiambo@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">sulumenty.odhiambo@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Bernadette	Ms Collier	<a href="mailto:lucy.collier@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">lucy.collier@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Catherine	Mr Noone	<a href="mailto:joshua.noone@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">joshua.noone@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Francis	Mr Carton	<a href="mailto:niall.carton@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">niall.carton@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Margaret	Ms Nichols/Ms Harriot	<a href="mailto:emma.nichols@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">emma.nichols@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a> <a href="mailto:jenny.harriott@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">jenny.harriott@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Teresa	Ms Gallacher/Mr Lester	<a href="mailto:keryn.gallacher@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">keryn.gallacher@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a> <a href="mailto:john.lester@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">john.lester@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>
11 Ursula	Ms Alvarez	<a href="mailto:mercedes.alvarez@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk">mercedes.alvarez@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk</a>

## **Head of Year (Mr Mac Sweeney) or Pastoral support assistant (Ms Brown)**

Mental health, bullying, safeguarding, online safety, absence request forms, request for your daughter to receive school counselling/educational well-being practitioner, financial support.

[cillian.macsweeney@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:cillian.macsweeney@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk)

[sylvia.brown@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:sylvia.brown@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk)

**Ms Young – Attendance and punctuality/lateness.** All absences and lates must be reported via email or Weduc, or phone no later than 8.45am. [Bernadette.young@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:Bernadette.young@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk) 0203908 3144

## **IT Issues**

[ITHelpdesk@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk](mailto:ITHelpdesk@ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk) – for IT/Weduc/laptop related enquires.

**Subject specific enquiry** – please contact the subject teacher, all staff contact details can be found on our Ursuline directory below.

[Staff Contact Details - Ursuline High School](#)

Kindest regards,

**Mr Mac Sweeney**