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5 June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Headteacher's Weekly Roundup 2025-2026 – Summer B, Week 1

We welcomed everyone back this week for the final half-term of this academic year with Exam season still in full operation.

Year 8 students sat their internal assessments this week and the feedback from students I have spoken to clearly indicates that they have already developed excellent revision strategies and have fully committed to this opportunity to demonstrate what they have learned and understood.

On Thursday, the Ursuline High School Big Sisters Programme was nominated for a Merton Partnership Civic Pride Volunteer Award. This nomination came from outside our school and we were selected by a panel to attend the finals of these prestigious awards hosted by the Worshipful Mayor of Merton. Incredibly out of all the nominations, our Sixth Form programme won the overall Gold Award for 'Young Volunteer Team of the Year' much to the surprise and delight of the representative students and Ms Connor who joined me in attending the meal and ceremony. Congratulations to all the students involved in this programme which involved 89 Sixth Form students volunteering their time each week to mentor and support younger students in need of 'big sister' guidance to navigate the challenges of growing up as part of our community in South West London. See the picture below and thank you once again to all students, staff and parents/carers involved in this endeavour.

### Highlights of the week

On Tuesday, we said 'Bon Voyage' to our French exchange students who departed for the Ursuline School in Largenté in France. The excitement was obvious and we look forward to hearing more about the experience on return.

We also welcomed a student to the Ursuline from Taiwan who is part of a school exchange. She is experiencing the full routines of life in our school which involved attending all lessons this week! This programme continues into next week.

In other news Year 10s began their Sixth Form transitions experience this week and Year 8s took part in a careers fair so there are lots of excellent events involving students considering next steps.

### Focus areas for next week

End of Year 7 exams begin next Monday while Years 8, 9 and 10 begin to respond to any gaps in knowledge, understanding or skill identified in their end-of-year exams. The exams have been scheduled earlier this year to allow time to respond to any issues before the end of the academic year, which also means next year can start from a position





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of strength. Students are expected to redouble their efforts to ensure that they maximise the opportunities for learning and progress in the final term which is as important as the first term of the academic year.

## Important Notices

### FEST Week trips

For anyone with daughters travelling abroad on one of our FEST Week residential trips, please do look out for emails requesting forms to be completed, passport information etc. Parent information meetings are taking place this month, and we look forward to seeing you. For those that cannot attend the information meetings or wish to revisit content, slides will be shared with all parents/carers following the meetings.

### Sacred Heart Parish, Edge Hill Wimbledon.

Mass in Sacred Heart Church on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30pm, the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart, will be followed by a Reception in the Upper Hall afterwards. Invitation to existing or new Parishioners.

### Diocesan notice of the upcoming Pilgrimage - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Archdiocese of Southwark Day Pilgrimage to the National Catholic Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, Norfolk. Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2026. Celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help: The cost is £50. To book email Fr James Clark at [jamesclark@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:jamesclark@rcaos.org.uk) or call 020 8857 5006.

### Open Events 2026

Do you have a daughter in Year 4 or 5 or know anyone that does?

Our next open events will be held in September 2026 for the September 2027 Year 7 cohort. You will hear from our Headteacher, take a guided tour of the school, and meet other staff and students. In addition, we will share our Prospectus, enrichment, wellbeing & personal development programmes, the application process and other important information. Bookings open 8<sup>th</sup> July. In the meantime, you can read more [here](#).

### Vacancies

Keep an eye out for any vacancies available with us. We have successfully recruited several parents and carers onto both teaching and support staff roles. We will have some positions coming online later this term so please follow the link to our website [Current Job Opportunities - Ursuline High School](#)





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## Term dates

### Academic year 2026-2027

Please see [here](#).

### Summer B

Refer to our [Calendar](#) for academic year events and below for significant upcoming dates for this half-term:

- 8<sup>th</sup> June - Y7 End-of-Year exams begin
- 18<sup>th</sup> June - Y11 Celebration Evening
- 19<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day (parents/carers welcome)
- 24<sup>th</sup> June - Y10 Parents' Evening in the Hall
- 24<sup>th</sup> June - Y11 Sixth Form Induction Day
- 25<sup>th</sup> June - Y12 UCAS trip to Royal Holloway University
- 29<sup>th</sup> June - Student Leadership Celebration
- 29<sup>th</sup> June - Y10 Sixth Form taster day
- 30<sup>th</sup> June - 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Y10 Sixth Form interviews
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Y7 Parents' Evening
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Sports Awards Dinner
- 13<sup>th</sup> July - FEST Week
- 13<sup>th</sup> July - Y12 Work Experience Week
- 17<sup>th</sup> July - End of Term & Academic Year

## Photo Roundup from the week



Big Sister representatives Jessica F, Naomi M, Silvia G, Sophie E, Emma S, Lia H, Linett W and Abbie B received Gold Award for Young Volunteer team. Congratulations!





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Wishing you and your family a restful and happy weekend.

Yours faithfully

Eoin Kelly

Headteacher

