

Year 11 Update

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Autumn Term A 2022

Make sure to check out our Autumn Term >>> *Enrichment programme!* <<<

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Welcome to the first Year 11 newsletter of the year!

I am proud of how well and quickly everyone has settled. Students have come back from the summer holidays with real energy and enthusiasm to succeed. The focus and attention to detail in the subjects and tireless commitment to the intervention is all evidence of their willingness to achieve well in their upcoming mocks and pending GCSEs. The first few Friday mocks have given the students a chance to settle their nerves and familiarise themselves with the process and have all run very smoothly. Thanks for your unwavering support in what is a big year for them.

So far this term, students have attended Wimbledon theatre to watch 'Macbeth' to support their English studies, have participated in netball and football fixtures, and contributed to our consultative groups. We also welcomed guest speaker, author Rene Germain, to talk to us about her book 'Black and Great', as part of our Black History Month celebrations.

Students have been demonstrating their application of the school ethos of Serviam, by helping at open evening, representing the school in their chosen subject area's or as tour guides. The turn out to our sixth form open evening was excellent, allowing students the opportunity to think about their future subject choices and wonderful opportunities that lie ahead here at the Ursuline. We have also had a record number of applications for student leadership this autumn in a wide variety of areas from sports to music to science as well as wider attendance to enrichment.

The next half term will be another busy half term, with the December mocks at the forefront of our minds. It is important that students are mindful of themselves and their wellbeing, whilst managing their time with revision and studies. I know that with the support from you as parents and carers, and from us at school they are armed with the correct tools for great growth and success.

Yours faithfully,

Ms Torode
Head of Year 11

There have also been some fantastic sports achievements this half term, you can find these on our [school twitter!](#)

Students' Achievements

1 - Most Rewards:

1. Anastasia I (11C)
2. Cameron H-W (11A)
3. Felicity A (11A)

Congratulations to 11B who are currently leading the way with 347 Reward Points.

2 – Highest Attendance:

There are currently 56 students in Year 11 who have 100% attendance and punctuality. Please do keep up the good work!

Congratulations to 11C who lead the way with 98%!

3 – External Success:

- Well done to Magda S (11F) who received her Jack Petchey award at the ceremony this month.

If your daughter participates in sport or other activities outside of school do encourage her to let me know – I would love to celebrate their efforts.

Autumn A Highlights

- Open Evening (far left)
- Sixth Form Open Evening
- Jack Petchey Awards Evening (left)
- Black History Month- 'Black and Great' talk by Rene Germain
- World Mental Health Day
- Careers Day
- Launch of Careers Interviews



Jack Petchey Award Winner, Magda



Year 11 at Ursuline Sixth Form Open Evening held on Thursday 6th October.

For more information on how to apply to our Sixth Form visit our [website](#).



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Upcoming Events

November

- **31st October** Inset Day
- **1st November:** Inset Day
- **2nd November:** Start of Autumn B Term
- **4th November:** Maths Mock Paper2 (Calc)
- **8th November:** T level information Evening (online)
- **9/10/15th November:** Supporting your teen through emotional storms emotional regulation skills and strategies (webinar)
- **11th November:** Biology mock
- **18th November:** Chemistry mock
- **21st – 25th November:** Revision week
- **24/25th November:** School production 'A Christmas Carol'
- **25th November:** Christmas Tree Service
- **28th November:** Full December Mocks begin

December/January

- **12th December:** 'Jump Rope for Heart' Skipping Competition Fundraiser,
- **12th December:** Christmas Carol Service, 8.00pm, Sacred Heart Church
- **16th December:** End of Term
- **3rd January:** Start of Spring A Term
- **6th January:** Brown Envelope Day

Looking Ahead

- **8th December:** Key Stage 4 & 5 Drama Theatre Trip
- **9th November:** Get Up, Stand Up Theatre Trip
- **26th January:** Woman in Black Theatre Trip
- **28th April:** BFI MFL Trip
- **13th June:** Trip to Buddhist Temple

**Please note this is not a complete event list and is intended to provide a snapshot only. Events may be subject to change.*

Wellbeing

Parental Workshops

- **7th Nov: Students with SEND**
- **10th Nov: Emotional regulation**
- **17th Nov: Emotional regulation**

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>

Education Wellbeing Service
Upcoming Events For Secondary Parents 2022/23
Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

- 22ND, 26TH OR 27TH SEPT** Mental Health during the teenage years - an Introduction and overview For year 7 & year 8 parents
- 9TH, 10TH OR 15TH NOV** Supporting your teen through emotional storms - emotion regulation skills and strategies For all secondary school parents
- 26TH, 30TH OR 1ST JAN/FEB** Understanding and supporting anxiety during the teenage years For all secondary parents
- 13TH, 16TH OR 17TH MAR** Supporting and managing exam and assignment stress: top tips and ideas for parents For all secondary parents - year 11 and 13 focus
- 4TH, 9TH OR 11TH MAY** Understanding and supporting teen sleep: an overview of the research and recommendations For all secondary parents

Scan QR code with your phone's camera to sign up for free via eventbrite or search:
www.eventbrite.com/cc/secondary-parents-nhs-wellbeing-workshops-725989

We also provide free 1:1 early help support programmes for young people to support with anxiety or low mood. Speak to your school to find out more.