



St Ursula's School

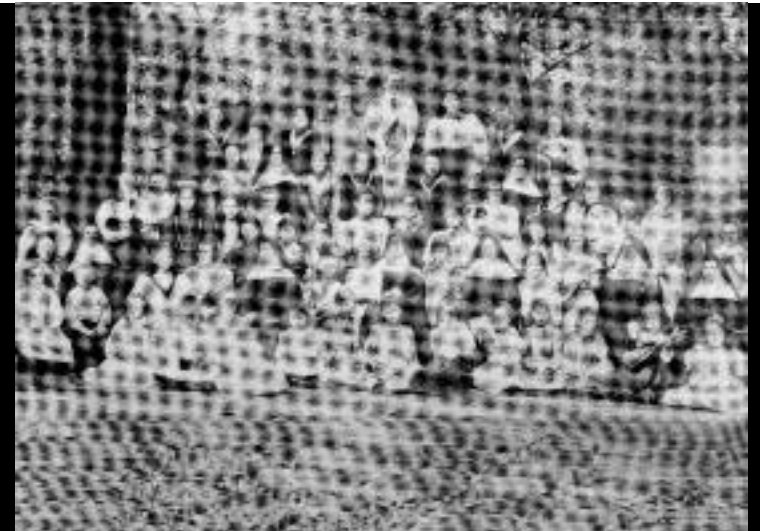
Humanities College

Welcome

St Ursula's Convent School is a voluntary aided, all-ability, Catholic School for Girls. The school forms part of a worldwide community of Ursuline schools and was founded over 130 years ago. We are very proud of our heritage and we continue to live out St Angela of Merici's vision of educating young girls.

Our school motto is 'SERVIAM' meaning "I shall serve". We are a testament to this as our community bears witness to God's love in that each individual serves and loves each other.

‘ St Ursula's has created a very positive ethos and a culture of high aspirations in the school (Ofsted 2010) ’



‘ St Ursula's Convent School is an outstanding school (Ofsted 2010) ’



St Ursula's is an outstanding school, as judged by Ofsted in 2010 and 2007. Our reputation as an outstanding school means we are very popular and highly oversubscribed year after year.

Our academic profile of excellence is based upon a culture of high aspirations where we believe that every girl, from whatever background, can achieve highly. The success of the school is due to the commitment, enthusiasm and hard work of all staff and students. The well qualified staff ensure learning is engaging, challenging and enjoyable.



We aim to develop happy, confident and responsible students as inquisitive thinkers with a love and desire for learning.

We are very proud of our achievements and we believe that our girls will be tomorrow's leaders.

Ciara Warnock
Headteacher

‘ Students make exceptional progress between Year 7 and 11 as a result of high quality teaching and excellent academic and pastoral support (Ofsted 2010) ’



“I love the location and the scenery. I enjoy going to the park for PE. St Ursula’s gives you so many opportunities”



“St Ursula’s School is an outstanding school with a very strong spiritual ethos that has contributed significantly to its success.”



Our place in the world

Funded by the Ursuline order in 1877 in Greenwich, St Ursula’s School has fine views over London and the Thames, surrounded by a rich heritage of maritime history and located on the Meridian Line.

The original Georgian house set in beautifully landscaped grounds has been extended to embrace all the requirements of a modern school. Specialist accommodation includes up to date fully equipped Science laboratories, a design technology unit, extensive computer suites and creative arts facilities, including music and drama studios and an activities hall.

The school admits students of all abilities from ages 11-16 and priority is given to girls from committed Catholic families.



A leading humanities school

We are one of the first Humanities specialist schools in the country. The leading Departments are English, History and Geography. This status allows the development of an enriched creative life for the school. Exciting opportunity is available inside and beyond the classroom both in the local community and in the world of business and enterprise.

Interactive whiteboards, individual wireless laptops, visits to museums and galleries, workshops, master classes, a Drama studio all give direction and focus to the success already firmly embedded in the foundations of this Beacon school.





Training school a centre of excellence

St Ursula's Training School Status provides high quality professional development for all staff and colleagues joining the profession. The Specialism supports the whole school workforce and delivers personalised and relevant training programmes not only in school, but also outreaching locally and nationally.

‘The school’s outstanding leadership and management by the Headteacher and her colleagues has resulted in a very positive learning culture, high standards, outstanding achievement and significant personal development.’



‘I like St Ursula’s because it is a lovely place to be and you learn fascinating things. Pupils are kind to each other and they respect the teachers.’



“The curriculum provides an excellent framework for students to progress to further education or employment. The school’s Humanities specialism and enrichment days are highly valued by all students.”



Respect and high expectation

On arrival at age 11 expectations are high for both KS3 and KS4 success. We are justifiably proud of our achievement at all levels. At the heart of this is a talented and committed body of staff which, combined with excellent facilities, offers wide-ranging opportunities for all.

Students are taught in a productive and creative environment using methods specifically designed for their requirements. Students are carefully monitored and encouraged to their full potential; individuality recognised and appropriately nurtured.

Children are rigorously prepared for examination with excellent results. Our curriculum offer is broad with considerable expertise in all areas. The environment is challenging, stimulating and inclusive.



beyond the classroom

At St Ursula's we endeavour to develop the whole child as she grows into a confident young woman who will move from us into the wider world.

School journeys are a regular feature of school life and afford a wonderful opportunity for personal growth. Destinations have included Italy, Eastern Europe Spain, France and activities weeks in Wales. After school clubs offer a wide range of activities. These include highly successful football teams, trampolining, netball teams, dance, rounders, gymnastics clubs, science, art, music, languages and a prize winning debating society. Saturday visits to museums, drama courses and geography field trips also provide an extension to the normal school curriculum.





“Coming to St Ursula’s
was the best choice I
ever made”

A true community

St Ursula’s aims to create a friendly, positive atmosphere. Girls are taught to respect each other and value another point of view. Staff share equally the responsibility for the welfare of every individual. We attach much importance to the cooperation with and the support given by the parent body.

Careers education is considered vital in this process and students are given guidance throughout their school career, culminating in work experience in year 10 and support for transition into 16 plus education. Communication between home and school is paramount. Parents have confidence that their children are receiving the very best of care whether pastoral or academic in a supportive Catholic environment.

Information on student progress is reported to parents on a termly basis. This includes parents’ evenings, written reports and individual Academic Reviews with senior management.

SUPA, the St Ursula’s Parents’ Association is active in promoting the school and raising money in various activities during the school calendar.

‘WE OWE TO CHILDREN THE BEST WE CAN GIVE.
THEIR LIFE IS FRAGILE.
IF THEY ARE TO HAVE A TOMORROW
THEIR NEED MUST BE MET TODAY...’

Gabriella Mistral



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