



St Ursula's Weekly
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Message from the Headteacher



“I shall always be in your midst helping your prayers”

St Angela Merici

Last Counsel/20

This week

The Year 11's completed their final main exam today! They were able to sign each other's books and shirts yesterday afternoon and it was a pleasure to share those last few memories with them.

So they leave having worked very hard and can now relax after all their hard work and enjoy a long summer break. We still look forward to seeing them again at the Prom on Friday 28 June at the Clarendon Hotel at 7pm and for their exams results which can be collected on Thursday 22 August between 10am – 11am in St Angela's. We hope they have a great summer – they deserve it!

Year 10 start their end of year exams in the sports hall on Monday 17 June and I hope all their revision and hard work can be seen in their results too.

It is Sports Day next week – details can be found later in the newsletter and hopefully the weather is improving so we should have a good day.

I hope you have a restful weekend.

Ms Hamilton

Belgium trip notice

The Belgium trip parents meeting is **now on Thursday the 20th June at 5.30pm** not the 18th as originally advertised!

Thanks

Mr A.Turpie



Year 11 GCSE Results Day
10am Thurs 22 August 2019

If any Year 11 pupils are unable to pick up their own results they must provide a signed letter to Mrs Taylor stating who will be collecting their GCSE results on their behalf. Please provide this **well before** Friday 19 July 2019.

This nominated person **must bring photographic ID with them**. Results cannot be given out over the telephone or emailed.

SPORTS DAY 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are very pleased to announce that St Ursula's will be having their annual Sports day on:

DATE: TUESDAY THE 18 JUNE AT SUTCLIFFE PARK 10AM-2PM.

TIME: Pupils will be required to go straight to the venue. Gates open at 9.30am, with registration at 9.45am. Pupils will be dismissed from the venue at 2pm approximately.

ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY AS IT IS A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY.

VENUE: SUTCLIFFE PARK SPORTS CENTRE, ELTHAM ROAD, SE9 5LW.

The Sports Day teams are in houses this year. Each house has a colour which represents them and the pupils are encouraged to wear their team colours on the day.

The teams and colours are:

MARY- **PURPLE**

ELLEN- **RED**

MALALA- **YELLOW**

ROSA- **BLUE**

HARRIET- **GREEN**

The day is based mainly on Athletic events, with a few fun events for good measure.

The pupils have been working on these during their PE lessons and all pupils are encouraged to participate in an event and of course, support their team.

All pupils should come to the venue in their school PE kit, as there are no changing facilities. They will also need a packed lunch, snacks and drinks for the day. Any pupils who receive Free School Meals will receive a packed lunch.

Due to limited space, parents are **not** allowed to attend the event on this occasion.

A map is attached with this letter. It shows the route to Sutcliffe Park from St Ursula's and all the bus routes and train stations that serve the Park.

If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 020 8858 4613

Yours sincerely

Miss. D Nash

Head of PE

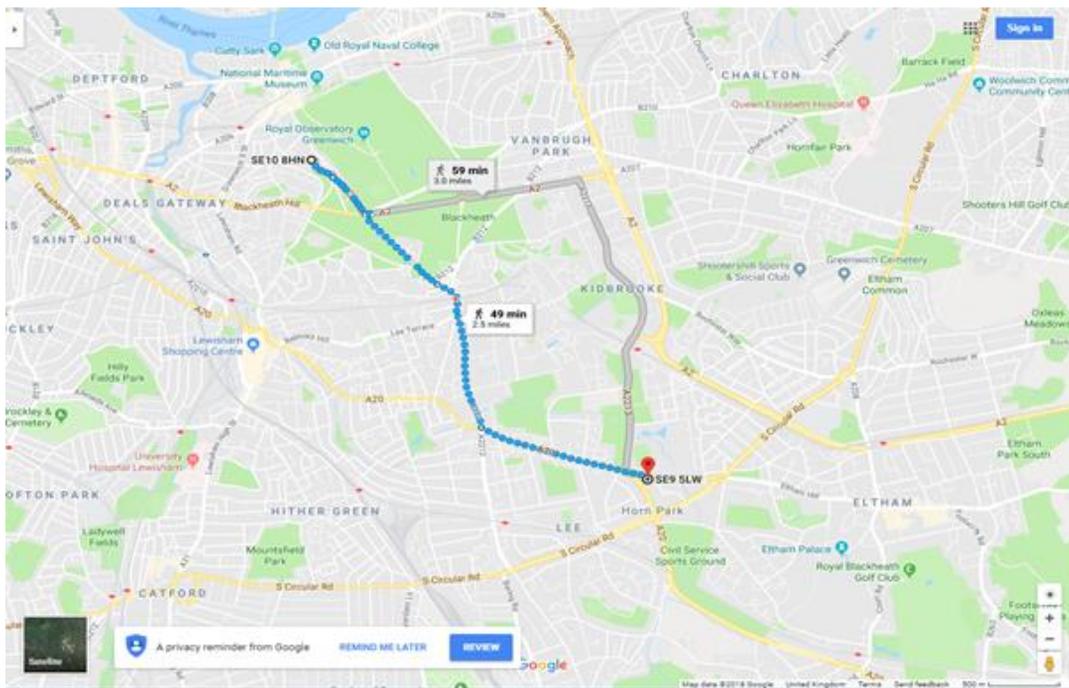
DIRECTIONS TO SUTCLIFFE PARK- SE9 5LW

*BUS ROUTES

***FROM ST URSULA'S:** 199 TO LEWISHAM, THEN EITHER THE 321, 178 OR 122 WHICH ALL STOP DIRECTLY OUTSIDE SUTCLIFFE PARK.

***FROM LEWISHAM:** 321, 178 OR 122 WHICH ALL STOP DIRECTLY OUTSIDE SUTCLIFFE PARK.

***FROM WOOLWICH:** 122 OR 178 WHICH STOP DIRECTLY OUTSIDE SUTCLIFFE PARK.



* TRAIN ROUTES

THE NEAREST STATION TO SUTCLIFFE PARK IS **KIDBROOKE**.

TURN LEFT OUT OF THE STATION AND WALK DOWN KIDBROOKE PARK ROAD FOR 10-15 MINS.

Public Speaking

Shakespeare competition

Winners → Gabriella S as Helena and Elizabeth B and Hermia

Runner Up → Eva A as Lady Macbeth

These actresses will have automatic entry to the English Speaking Union Regional Finals in March 2020

Dartmouth House- if successful winners of this event will be entered into the final to be performed at

Wyndham Theatre.

Ms Greenwood

Debating

Parents of St Ursula's students, teachers, and

SLT were treated to a vigorous and lively

debate on Wednesday night as St Ursula's

Debate Union's Yr. 10 leaders took to the

podium to analyse whether or not a case

could be made for a Sugar Tax. Every speaker

gave their own distinctive take; Mary opened

the debate citing a wide variety of real life and practical advantages, as well as the benefits money raised from a sugar tax could bring. Zita fiercely responded with an out of the left field argument that the damage sugar

does to health was gold dust for the dental and private medical field and attempting to address the issue would destroy part of the countries economy. As we came back for the second round, Maleeka began a spirited defence of the policy, providing her best ever speech and striking any number of points that our judges agreed were highly relevant. She was followed by Catherine, whose extremely comprehensive analysis

terrified the audience and opposition alike, with a speech that seemed to include every possible angle that could be taken on the issue. Both speakers performed admirably and went off stage to rounds of applause.

The final battle of the titans was between Tobi and Chizi. Tobi rose and delivered a scorching attack on the tax deniers, offering interwoven rebuttal alongside furiously delivered points that mesmerized the judges so much that they had to be nudged into taking notes. Chizi began her speech hesitantly- but under the fire of POI's, magnificently rose to the occasion and began to find a swinging pace.

After much conversation and discussion, the judges awarded first place to Tobi on the strength of her engagement with the oppositions points, second place to Catherine for the comprehensive nature of her speech, and third place to Chizi for inspired thinking on her feet under POI's.

But 3 spots aren't enough to recognise the quality of the speeches of the evening, let alone the significant courage and growth every student out there had demonstrated by taking to the stage, and the knowledge that they will steer the Debating Union next year is reassuring in the extreme.



SERVIAM

Mr Tim Feast came in on Tuesday to receive the funds St Ursula's have collected on behalf of Go the Extra Mile and give our students an update at a special Assembly on the project's progress. He was able to give more detail to how the money the school has raised will actually be spent also.

Well done to you all and thank you!

Mrs Durrant



Uniform Appeal

If you have a Year 11 pupil who left today or a daughter who has grown out of her uniform and it is still in good condition please could you donate to school so that we can help students with it? Please send it in washed to the main office. Thank you.



WHEN YOU
CAN'T FIND
THE SUNSHINE,
BE THE
SUNSHINE!



School Calendar

Summer term

Monday 17 June – Friday 28 June 2019

Year 10 Exams

Tuesday 18 June 2019

Sports Day

Monday 1 July 2019

Summer Music Concert

Wednesday 3 July 2019

New Year 7 Induction Day

Year 9 Parents Evening

Thursday 4 July 2019

Trip to Ypres

Monday 8 July 2019

New Year 7 Parents information meeting

Wednesday 10 July 2019

Enrichment Day / Year 7 Academic Reviews

Year 8 Retreat Day

Thursday 11 July 2019

Academic Olympiad

Friday 12 July 2019

Year 7 Retreat Day

Saturday 13 July 2019

FOSTUR Summer Fair – 12-3pm

FOSTUR NEWS

SUMMER FAIR 2019



Dear Parents,

The **Summer Fair Online Raffle** draw will take place on *Saturday 13th July at St Ursula's Summer Fair* (12-3 pm entry via 64 Crooms Hill side gate). This year we have some really fantastic prizes available such as: a traditional afternoon tea for two at the Intercontinental Hotel, one month of Semi-private training from Greenwich Training worth £300, Family voucher for one week at David Lloyd Kidbrooke, 4 tickets to St Paul's Cathedral (worth £18 each), a family ticket for the Thames River Cruise, a combination meal at Nando's, 4 games at the Hollywood Bowl, tickets to Greenwich Odeon, 4 one hour jumping at the O2 Oxygen Free jumping, £50 voucher for Sticks and Sushi Greenwich.....any many more!

To purchase a ticket and for further prize details please use the following link - <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/StUrsulasRaffle>

Please DO NOT SELECT GIFT AID as unfortunately raffles are not eligible.

On behalf of the pupil's we thank you for your continued support.





Carnegie Medal Shadowing Group

The shadowing group is now in full swing, and groups are voraciously reading through the selection!

Miss Deegan and Ms Cahalane have been thoroughly impressed by pupils' enthusiastic participation, and will most definitely be running a Carnegie Club next year! Pupils have been enjoying reading 'The House with Chicken Legs', 'Long Way Down', 'The Poet X' and 'Things a Bright Girl Can Do'.

The winner of the Carnegie Medal will be announced at midday on 18th June 2019, so keep checking their website! Fingers crossed for our school survey favourite – 'The Poet X'!

<https://www.carnegiegreenaway.org.uk/>



Greenwich Book Festival is happening now!

There are a mixture of talks and workshops at reasonable prices (sadly the Harry Potter party is sold out), with special appearances from some of your favourite authors! Some notable names are Cressida Cowell – author of 'How to Train your Dragon' and Michelle Harrison – author of the '13 Treasures' trilogy!

Year 11

Library Book Returns 2019

ALL library books must be returned before Prom! The last date to return or exchange library books is:

Friday 28th June 2019

Lost books must be **refunded** or **replaced**. If you owe books, you cannot collect your Prom ticket! Pupils who owe books will need to return to school after their leaving date to settle their debts!

Donate your revision guides!

So far, our current year 11 have donated over **150** revision guides and set texts to the library, with a value of over **£1,000!**

Pupils have also been donating their notes and revision cards, and our current year 10 have already been collecting them to assist with their revision for next week's mock exams!

Thank you Year 11 Leavers!
See you all at Prom!

UPDATED Term dates 2019 – 2020



St Ursula's Convent School A Humanities College and Teaching School

Term Dates 2019-2020 (updated with May Bank holiday change)

INSET Days to be confirmed

AUTUMN TERM

Term time: Monday 2 September to Friday 18 October 2019.

Monday 2 Sept 2019 – Staff Inset – no attendance for students

Tuesday 24 September – Staff Inset – no attendance for students

Half-term holiday: Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October 2019.

Term time: Monday 28 October to Friday 20 December 2019.

Monday 2 December – Staff Inset – no attendance for students

Christmas and New Year holiday:

Monday 23 December 2019 to Friday 3 January 2020.

SPRING TERM

Term time: Monday 6 January to Friday 14 February 2020.

Half-term holiday: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2020.

Term time: Monday 24 February to Friday 3 April 2020.

Easter holiday: Monday 6 April to Friday 17 April 2020.

SUMMER TERM

Term time: Monday 20 April to Friday 22 May 2020 (except May Day Bank Holiday on **Friday 8 May***).

Half-term holiday:

Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2020 (spring Bank Holiday on 25 May).

Term time: Monday 1 June to Monday 20 July 2020

Monday 20 July 2020 – Staff inset – no attendance for students

May Day Bank Holiday will be taken on **Friday 8 May***

Spring Bank Holiday will be taken on 25 May

Conservation Clubs

This year, Ms. Nash wanted her year group Year 9, to focus on environmental matters and introduced the topic via an assembly. Before this assembly, Ms. Nash had submitted a bid to the Earth Restoration Service for a tree nursey programme and was delighted when the school was chosen for the project.

The trees arrived as small saplings and we waited for them to grow before we planted them the week before half term.

Each tutor group was represented by 5 pupils who volunteered to do this. Every pupil planted a tree and they are now responsible for looking after them throughout their remaining time in the school.

Any pupil who is interested in coming to a conservation club that the school is currently setting up, should speak to Ms. Nash or Ms. Cruickshanks for more information.

Ms. Nash





St Ursula's Convent School A Humanities College and Teaching School

Premises Manager

Immediate start

Grade PO1 / scale point 33-36

Starting salary £30,627 + London weighting = Total salary £32,430pa

Contracted hours 35 per week / 52 weeks per year

The Governors of St Ursula's Convent School are seeking to appoint a vibrant and enthusiastic Premises Manager to lead on day-to-maintenance and site management. The successful candidate will be responsible for the maintenance, cleaning, security, heating, health & safety, and the general well-being of the school, the site and its occupants in line with guidance and relevant legislation. He / she will be responsible for the line management of the Premises Assistant and supervise the quality of work provided by contractors, including grounds maintenance and cleaning staff.

We are an Ofsted outstanding, oversubscribed Catholic girl's school situated in Greenwich, London. Our beautiful site comprises of a mixture of new and aging buildings. Students at St Ursula's are very well behaved and the Catholic ethos of the school encourages a very pleasant working environment.

The appointed candidate must be flexible in her / his approach to working hours to ensure that the building remains open for early morning, evening and weekend events when required. They will also be the First key holder, charged with dealing with out of hours emergencies.

St Ursula's Convent School is committed to safeguarding and protecting the wellbeing of children and young people and expects all staff to share their commitment.

An enhanced DBS is required for all successful applicants.

Full job details are on our website together with the 'support staff application form'

If you have any questions please email our School Business Manager dwilliams@stursulas.com

Closing date: Friday 21 June 2019 **Interview date:** Week commencing 24th June 2019



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13

JULY

12-3PM



We are all busy with the organisation of the Summer Fair

Bouncy Castles, BBQ Festival, Cake competition and Raffle, these are only a few of the many activities at the Summer Fair this year. We can't wait to tell you more!

Hold the date!



Join the Cake Competition

Bring along your most delicious creations and join the St. Ursula's Bake Off Cake Competition to win a special prize! If cakes are not your speciality and you have a special dish you would like to donate to our stalls, please bring it along!

We're looking for volunteers

We are very excited about our upcoming Summer Fair on 13th July 2019! To help make it a success, FOSTUR are looking for assistance on the day.

Please take a look at the following link and sign up for a slot or two!

[Signup.com/go/NbtNMjg](https://signup.com/go/NbtNMjg)

summer FAIR

ST. Ursula's 2019

Great prizes on our grand Raffle!

The FOSTUR SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE draw will take place on Saturday 13th July 2019. We have amazing donations in prizes, so dig deep and purchase a ticket or few!!!

Ticket costs £5 each. The winners and the total raffle sales will be posted on the website once confirmed.

Please take a look at the website below to buy your tickets

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/StUrsulasRaffle>

One-month Semi-Private Training Programme from Greenwich Training worth £300

Family voucher for one week at David Lloyd Kidbrooke

Traditional Afternoon Tea for two at The O2 InterContinental London (£37 each)

Classic Afternoon Tea for two at The Clarendon Hotel Blackheath

Tea/Coffee and Cakes for two at Lakedale Coffee

2 tickets to Greenwich Theatre for the "Brooklyn The Musical"

2 tickets to Greenwich Odeon (£25 each)

2 tickets to Blackheath Halls Opera (£17 each)

4 tickets to St. Paul's Cathedral (£18 each)

4 one-hour jumping at the O2 Oxygen Freejumping (£15 each)

4 games at Hollywood Bowl at the O2

Family Ticket (2 adult + 2 children) from Viscount Cruises for River Thames Cruise

£50 voucher from Sticks'n'Sushi Greenwich

Combination meal at Nando's Greenwich

... and more