



THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

A Catholic Academy for Girls

Weekly News – Issue 4

30th September 2022



Dear Parents/Guardians

Headteacher's Headlines...

As September draws to a close I want to thank everyone for their support during my first month at the school. It's been a busy month, as ever you will see an array of extra-curricular activities happening here, I am very proud of our students! As I have walked around the school this week visiting lessons, I see girls working very hard, enthusiastic to learn and actively participating in the high-quality lessons our teachers provide!

We are really looking forward to showcasing our school to prospective parents at the annual **Open Evening** on **Wednesday 5th October at 6pm**, you can look forward to seeing some pictures from this event in next week's edition.

We have already begun to celebrate Black History month; our Head girl team led a series of assemblies last week to launch our celebrations and activities. Here at UAI we believe that black history should be celebrated and elevated throughout the year so the Head girl team launched Black history *season* you can expect to see events shared here in the bulletin throughout the Autumn term and beyond.

Thursday 6th October is National women-owned business day which celebrates the achievements and progress made by women-owned businesses and raises awareness on the importance of supporting and investing in women-owned companies. This day was created to inspire women to dream big, believe in themselves, connect with other women entrepreneurs, and encourage communities to support women-owned brands today and every day. To celebrate we will have a special lunch in the school canteen, our catering staff have chosen the theme of **"Street Food Party"** we will have a range of halal and non-halal options. Keep an eye out in the canteen for posters and information. There will be slides displayed with music to celebrate business women from all over the world. It will be good for the school community to join in celebration on this day and remember **school opens at 10.40am following the Open Evening the night before!**

And finally, I was interviewed by the Ilford Recorder last week! Please see link to article below...

<https://www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk/news/education/ursuline-academy-ilford-new-headteacher-interview-9296930>

God bless,

Ms. Stone



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Chaplaincy News



Pope Francis@Pontifex – 30th September 2022

Sometimes we human beings believe that we are the masters of everything, ot on the contrary, we lose all self-esteem. #Prayer helps us to find the right dimension in our relationship with God, our Father, and with all Creation.



**Forward in Joy – 366 days with Angela Merici – Daily words of wisdom from our patron saint
September: Live**

30th September: Let God work; he will do marvellous things.

October: Be Shepherds

1st October: I beg you with all my heart, be like watchful and most vigilant shepherdesses.

2nd October: May God give you knowledge and capacity.

3rd October: You will achieve more with kindness and gentleness than with harshness and sharp rebukes.

4th October: Spread peace and concord wherever you are.

5th October: What you want them to do, do it yourself first.

6th October: They are all creatures of God. And you do not know what he wants to make of them.

We had our first Chaplaincy Team meeting this week, with approximately 50 students attending!

The team have been busy preparing the Chapel for our Open Evening, making lots of flower pots for our theme 'Hopes and Dreams'. The idea is to encourage the Year 6 visitors to think about their hopes and dreams going forward into Year 7!

Cleo, Chaplain





Art News



FRIDAY LUNCHTIME ART CLUB

The lunchtime art club is proving as popular as ever. It is a great environment to learn a new art technique or for students to enhance their art skills.

For younger students there are hundreds of tasks to choose from and lots of technical challenges for GCSE students – with teacher guidance available for both.

It is a relaxed atmosphere where students enjoy meeting, learning and being inspired by one another.

The club is open for all age groups but numbers are limited -so students need to arrive early to avoid disappointment.

Every Friday at 12.40-13.40pm in S2

Mr Butler
Head of Art

ART OF THE MONTH - September

Tracey Eze has created an excellent portrait in Mrs Halfyard's class. The attention to detail is superb and she has shown careful consideration to tones and highlights.

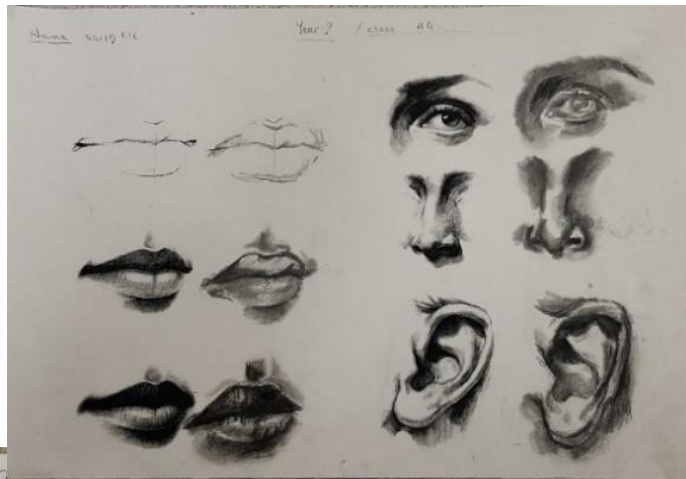
At the beginning of this project students had to recreate facial features, Tracey's sheet is shown below; it is very accurate.

She says that she enjoys drawing and would like to pursue a career using her art skills. "I would like to be a graphic designer"

Well done Tracey!

Mr Butler
Head of Art





CELEBRATING
**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

Black History Season

We appreciate the blessing we have to attend a school that is enriched with many cultures and recognise the importance of representation and appreciation in all areas. It is for this reason and many others that this year, our school is not only recognising Black History Month in October, but we are celebrating it all year round with Black History Season.

To mark the start of this season we are extremely privileged to welcome back Dr Miranda Brawn who will be giving us a mentoring session on Friday 7th October from 3:30 -4:30 promptly after school in the hall. This will allow aspiring students



to gain knowledge and support in areas such as law, finance, STEM and Academia, where females and ethnic minorities are usually under-represented.

Spaces are limited so if anyone in Year 11, 12 and 13 is interested in attending this talk please speak to Ms Russell or Ms Kodi-Pecku in G12 to get your names on the list.

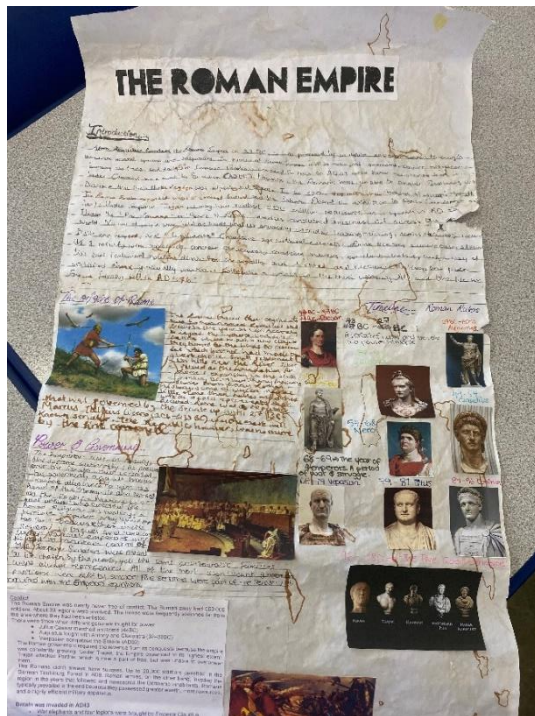
In the coming months we have an exciting programme with many more activities including International Keynote speakers giving talks all planned for the course of this season. So please keep your eye out in the coming weeks!

Head Girl Team



Sophia Latona (7J) has produced some beautiful homework this week. She not only completed the set homework, a very thorough leaflet on the Roman Empire, but also completed the additional optional homework and made a model of a Celtic village. Sophia clearly worked very hard on both of her pieces and completed a lot of research. She will make a fine historian I am sure! Well done Sophia.

Ms Mackie



Competition Time!!!

The History department at UAI are running a competition to celebrate Black History Month. We would like you to research a famous black Briton and make a submission about them. This could be a poster, a poem, a memorial or an art piece! It can be anything you like as long as it's something physical (not on the computer and not an essay either). Years 7-11 can all enter and there will be two prizes up for grabs, one for 7-9 and another for 10-11. The deadline for this is going to be **Monday 31st October**. Please come and speak to Mr Donovan if you have any further questions about this. Best of luck!

We are delighted to announce our first Jack Petchey Award winners for this academic year. The Jack Petchey Achievement Award Scheme recognises outstanding young people aged 11-25 across London and Essex for their great contributions to, not only the life of the school, but to the wider community.

Sumaya Riaz in Year 11 was nominated by her teachers and friends and has been recognised as an outstanding student who goes above and beyond in all her subjects and extra-curricular clubs. Sumaya has worked hard from day one and is described by her teachers and friends as an extremely polite and kind girl and a true role model to others. Sumaya works especially hard in PE and is part of every sports team. Sumaya has been described as a team player who is very fair and always leads from the front. Her friends have said that *"Everyone needs a friend like Sumaya. No matter what their circumstances, Sumaya will lead them in the right direction and make them feel at ease"*.



Nereannah Olafusi in Year 13 was nominated by her teachers for her outstanding leadership skills, as well as embodying our school motto of Serviam (I will serve) into all that she does. Nereannah has always stood out because of her grace, friendliness and sheer hard work. Nereannah became a familiar face in the school library in more recent years where she helped those who were working there with their homework, and organisation. Nereannah is always very reliable and friendly, and her hard work does not go unnoticed. Over the summer, Nereannah gave up a week of her summer holidays to volunteer with a charity and help those in need. She also volunteered in a care home, some food banks and soup kitchens, doing all possible to help others in need and always with a smile on her face! Nereannah has also taken on her role as deputy head girl with great ease. She works hard but is also a team player and has worked on many initiatives already including school council and assemblies for Black History Month.

Well done to both girls. We are extremely proud of you!

Ms Eakins, Jack Petchey Coordinator



Music News

We are delighted to announce that Year 7 & 8 ukulele lessons are up and running again every Wednesday at breaktime. Our taster session last Wednesday was a great success. Lessons are free and ukuleles are provided (but limited!) Complete beginners are very welcome! Looking forward to seeing you there.

Ms Eakins

Year 7 & 8 Ukulele Lessons

Wednesdays at Breaktime in S5



What to bring:
Yourselves and a willingness to learn and progress!

Ukuleles are provided but limited.
If you have your own ukulele you may bring it to school.



Lessons start Wednesday 21st September

If you have any questions, speak with Ms Eakins in F2.



Library News

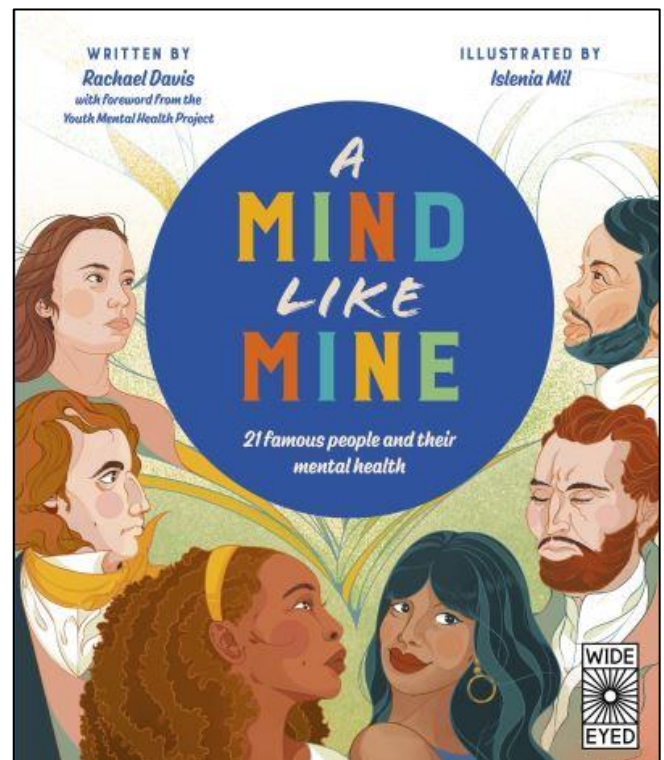
Book of the Week

A Mind Like Mine by Rachael Davis

A look at 21 famous figures with different mental health conditions from throughout history right up to the present.

Mind Like Mine is a stigma-busting collection of biographies of some of the great people from history who have lived with mental health conditions. Did you know **Charles Darwin** experienced anxiety and **Florence Nightingale** lived with PTSD? From **Michelangelo** to **Deepika Padukone**, **Ada Lovelace** to **Michelle Obama**, **Alfred Nobel** to **Greta Thunberg** a great many successful people with brilliant minds and talents have lived or are living with mental health disorders.

The biographies in this book show that you can't always tell what a person is going through, and that mental health conditions can and do impact people from all walks of life. The aim of this book is to help remove some of the stigma around mental health, discuss different mental health conditions, what they mean and how they are treated; and ultimately to



show that mental health disorders do not have to hold anyone back from achieving their dreams. The figures featured are from a range of diverse backgrounds and disciplines across science, literature, art, music, sport, politics and popular culture. Additional feature pages will explain and explore key mental health conditions including depression, bipolar disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, schizophrenia, anxiety and eating disorders.

Ms Finlay, LRC Manager



Science News

Week 2: Science Club: Lip Balm

This week the girls looked at mixtures and made their own lip balm. You can make your own lip balm (if you want to make it vegan then use coconut oil). Mix Vaseline with 2-3 drops of food colouring and flavourings. Place it in a container with an airtight lid and let it set in the fridge. The girls made some lovely lip balms with a variety of colours and flavours such as Black lemon, Pink lemon and Yellow Mint.

Thank you to my helpers **Lily** (Yr.9) and **Mrs. Guy**
Mrs. Bharaj





SPEAKERS
for schools

World Productions Visits School

World Productions was voted TV production company of the year at the Industry Broadcast Awards and the Edinburgh TV Awards. World made the most watched TV dramas of 2018 (Bodyguard) and the tree most watched TV drama in the UK of 2021 (Pembrokeshire Murders, Vigil and the Line of Duty 6). Indeed, **Line of Duty** is the most watched TV drama in the UK of this century. World also makes drama for Sky, Netflix, the BBC, Channel 4 and ITV and has projects in development with Disney, Amazon and MGM.

It was pleasure to welcome Roderick Seligman who is the Managing Director of World Productions to the school last Friday 23rd September. Roderick has had a varied career and he talked about the different routes and the extra-curricular required for a career in the industry. He studied philosophy, politics and economics at Oxford University, qualified as a Chartered Accountant and attended INSEAD Business School in Franc, he also worked in the City at leading Merchant Bank Lazard Brothers before entering TV Production in 1990 with TVF plc before joining World Production in 1997. Roderick only carries out 2 talks to schools per year, and we consider ourselves very fortunate that Ursuline was selected. #Serviam and thank you Roderick!!

The talk was very informative about achieving our dreams, when it came to the Q&A it helped me decide which career and what branch I want to go in. **Iqra Alam 10J**

The thought the talk was very cool how you can get so many different jobs from one door. It surprised me that our school got a director to talk to us. I feel like when people's experiences are shared on careers it basically teaches people and younger generations important life lessons. **Aabia Azeem 10J**

The talk gave me an insight on what I want to do when I get older, I want to be a voice actor and a movie cartoon writer for children's film. I am currently writing a book that I would like to turn into a cartoon show when I am older. **Hannah Shah 10J**

It was interesting learning about how he worked with someone with such contrasting beliefs but came together to create something so wonderful. **Jyotstroop Johal 12.2**



I enjoyed the talk as it was educational and interesting to know how he started his journey to become a tv manager and tv producer **Aila Inam 10J**

I really enjoyed the talk and I find it really cool how he has a love for his career. It really impacted me in the sense of the reality of what we need to do and what the industry is looking for. **Kamael Lahai 10J**



Careers

Interested in doing an Apprenticeship? Join #TeamAldi today!

Our Store Apprenticeship Programmes don't just offer students a great start to their career and an excellent Apprenticeship salary, they can help put them on the right road to success too. And if they combine hard work, ambition, and an ability to apply themselves to any challenge, they could make it all the way to Store Management



There are two programmes available:

Pathway 1: Stores Career Starter Programme

No qualifications or previous experience are required to join this 12-15-month programme

Learn from the finest retail professionals around whilst completing a Level 2

Retailer qualification and developing English and Maths skills

Pathway 2: Store Management Programme

GCSEs in English and Maths (minimum grade 4 or equivalent) are required to join this 3-year programme

Receive training from some of the industry's most talented people whilst completing Level 2 Retailer and Level 3 Retail Team Leader qualifications

Offers the chance to progress in the business where there are suitable opportunities

Apply <https://www.aldirecruitment.co.uk/apprenticeships/stores-apprenticeship>



Register now to watch special programme on Degree Apprenticeships

A special programme on **degree apprenticeships** that High Fliers Research produced for Sixth Form students and their parents, which we hope will be of interest to you and your colleagues at **The Ursuline Academy Ilford**.

Broadcasting live from a TV studio in central London, the one-hour programme on degree apprenticeships begins at **2pm on Thursday 13th October**.

It will provide **Year 12 & 13 students** and their parents with the very latest news, information and guidance about degree apprenticeships – the fast-track, tuition fee-free entry route into graduate careers such as engineering, technology, banking & finance, management and even law.

To enable your students to watch the **free** programme – either live or on catch-up – simply register your details and we will send you a link for the programme next week, which you can forward directly to students and their parents:

[Register Now](#)

The live programme includes:

- a comprehensive introduction to degree apprenticeships, the different types of programmes currently available, how they are funded, the qualifications they lead to, and how they offer an alternative route to the graduate job market
- case-studies and insight from current apprentices working on degree apprenticeships in different industries, professions and business sectors
- exclusive new research revealing which employers will be offering degree apprenticeship programmes for Sixth Form school-leavers in 2023
- expert advice and guidance from leading employers on when & how to apply and the selection process for degree apprenticeships
- the chance to put your questions directly to senior recruiters at the country's top degree apprenticeship employers

The programme will be presented by **Martin Birchall**, Editor of The Times Top 100 Graduate Employers and research director for the Department for Education's Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers.

It is being supported by several of the UK's best-known degree apprenticeship employers, including **Rolls-Royce, PwC, Lloyds Banking Group**, the **NHS, BDO** and the **Royal Navy**.



Experian and Lloyds Banking Group free work experience opportunities.

Wednesday 28th September at 4.30pm - [Experian "First Step" live online career challenge](#) - How can you help Playstation market their new game?

[Register to attend](#)

Wednesday 5th October at 5pm - [Experian "Next Step" live online career challenge](#) - How can you help Alton Towers get more visitors to their theme park in 2023?

[Register to attend](#)

Thursday 6th October at 6.30pm - [Experian live online career panel](#) - We invite students, parents, teachers and career leaders to discover more about their career opportunities in data!

[Register to attend](#)

Wednesday 19th October at 4.30pm - [Lloyds Banking Group "First Step" live online career challenge](#) - Can you help Lloyds Bank decide who can borrow £1,200 to buy the new iPhone 14?

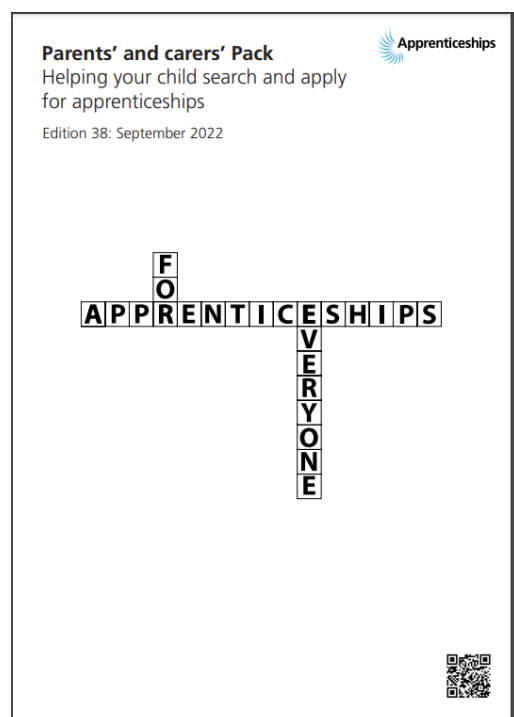
[Register to attend](#)

Wednesday 2nd November at 5pm - [Lloyds Banking Group "Next Step" live online career challenge](#) - Can you assess our customers' financial situation and make some recommendations on how different groups of customers should approach their upcoming purchases?

[Register to attend](#)

Thursday 3rd November at 6.30pm - [Lloyds Banking Group live online career panel](#) - We invite students, parents, teachers and career leaders to discover more about their career opportunities in data!

[Register to attend](#)



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To read the latest brochure online, including the New GP apprenticeship, please click the link below.

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Join us to learn more about opportunities at PwC and IBM

- Hear from current apprentices
- Learn more about the organisation and company culture
- Discover apprenticeship opportunities

PLUS a Q&A session, where you'll be able to ask questions directly to their recruitment teams

PwC Women in STEM (*Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths*)

19 October 2022 at 6.30-7.15pm

(for parents, career leaders, and students who identify as female in years 10 to 13)

[Book your place today](#)

IBM Apprenticeships

12 October 2022 at 6.30-7.15pm

(for students in years 10 to 13, parents & career leaders are welcome to join)

[Book your place today](#)



DEADLINE: 14th December 2022

Company: Jaguar Land Rover

Location: Midlands

Salary: £24,480

Type: Level 7 Finance Apprenticeship

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Company: PwC

Location: Nationwide

Salary: Competitive

Type: Multiple Apprenticeship Opportunities

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Latest Apprenticeships:

- School & College Leaver programmes in Tax - Autumn 2023 - [apply link](#)
- School & College Leaver programmes in Consulting - Autumn 2023 - [apply link](#)
- School and College Leaver programmes in Operate - Autumn 2023 - [apply link](#)
- PwC Flying Start Technology Degree Apprenticeship - London - [apply link](#)
- PwC Flying Start Accounting Degree Apprenticeship - London - [apply link](#)

Private fostering is when someone who is not a close relative care for another person's child under the age of 16 (18 if disabled) for 28 days or more.

A close relative is considered to be an aunt, uncle, grandparent, step parent or siblings. Friends of the family and other family members such as cousins or great aunts are not classed as close relatives for the purposes of Private Fostering, neither are families hosting overseas students who are being educated in the UK.

You need to legally notify us of any private fostering arrangements in Redbridge to ensure the child is safe.

Please contact Redbridge Children's Services on 020 8708 3885 or by email

CPAT.Referrals@redbridge.gov.uk

For more information please visit our website: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering>

Do you know anybody who is looking after somebody else's child?

- **Is the child under 16 (or 18 if they have a disability)?**
- **Is the child living with someone who is NOT their parent, step parent, sibling, aunt, uncle or grandparent? This also includes host families to overseas students**
- **Is it due to be for more than 28 days?**
- **This is called "private fostering" and we must be LEGALLY notified to ensure the child is safe.**

Please contact Redbridge Children's Services:

 **020 8708 3885**

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or visit www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering for more information



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Empowering our girls to learn, to lead and to serve



A place where we have:

- An excellent record of academic achievement
- Strong sense of community and family ethos
- Wide range of exciting extra-curricular activities
- Very high standards of behaviour
- Purposeful working atmosphere
- A flourishing 6th Form with extensive preparation for university admissions
- Our 6th Form is open to girls of all faiths and none
- 'Serviam' – I will serve, lies at the heart of our daily routine and practice

OPEN EVENING FOR YEAR 7 ADMISSIONS 2023

Wednesday 5th October 2022
6.00 – 8.00p.m.

Introduction Talk by Headteacher &
Welcome from Head of Year 7

6.00 & 7.00p.m.

Tours available

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 16th November 2022
6.00 – 8.00p.m.

See school website for further details

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Day	Activity	Time	Room
Monday			
	Indoor Rowing - All Year Groups: KKE	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Gym
	Contemporary Dance – Years 7 & 8: SFR	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Dance Studio
	Netball – Year 7: JMA	3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Playground/Gym
Tuesday			
	Maths Club – All Year Groups: TKO	12.40 – 1.40p.m.	S6
	GCSE Dance Students – Years 10 & 11: KKE	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Dance Studio
	P E GCSE Coursework & Intervention – Group 1: SFR	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	F7
	Badminton – Year 11 & 6 th Form: DEA	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Gym
	Geography A Level Drop Down Session for Years 12 & 13: HCO	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	G3
	STEM Club - All Year Groups: AKO	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	G12
	Drama Club – Years 7 & 8: IMI	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	Drama Studio
	Netball – Years 10/11/BTEC: KKE	3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Playground/Gym
Wednesday			
	Indoor Athletics – Years 7 & 8: JMA	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Gym
	Science Club (Selected Students): PBH	12.45 – 1.15	G10
	Board Games Club – All Year Groups: BFA	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	F13
	Football – Years 9/10 & 11: LBU/CSC	3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Playground
	DT GCSE Catch Up Session: AKO	3.30 – 4.30p.m.	G12
Thursday			
	Trampolining – GCSE PE Years 10 & 11: SFR	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Gym
	P E GCSE Coursework & Intervention – Group 2: KKE	12.00 – 1.30p.m.	G18
	Chess Club – All Year Groups: LFI/BFA	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	G7
	STEM Club - All Year Groups: AKO	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	G12
	Netball – Years 8 & 9: SFR	3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Playground/Gym
Friday			
	Art Club – All Year Groups: RBU	12.40 – 1.40p.m.	S2
	Multi Games – SS Students (Invitation only): BTEC Students	12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Gym
	Year 7 Eco Warriors: HCO/JMC	1.00 – 1.30p.m.	G3
	Running Club – All Year Groups: JMA/NRI	3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Playground/Gym

Watch this space...more will be added!



P E Clubs

Music Clubs



EXTRA-CURRICULAR MUSIC CLUB TIMETABLE					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breaktime		WORSHIP BAND <u>@ 10.40am</u> S5 WOODWIND ENSEMBLE <u>@10.40am</u> Practice Room 3	YR 7+8 UKULELE GROUP <u>@10.40am</u> S5		
Lunchtime	SENIOR CHOIR (Yrs 9-11) <u>@ 1pm</u> S5	UAI BAND <u>@ 12.40pm</u> S5 VIOLIN ENSEMBLE <u>@ 1.10pm</u> S5	JUNIOR CHOIR (Yrs 7-8) <u>@ 1pm</u> S5	GUITAR ENSEMBLE <u>@ 1.10pm</u> S5	GLEE CLUB <u>@ 12.40PM</u> S5



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch 12.40 – 1.10p.m.	Indoor Rowing All Years Gym (Ms Keogh) Contemporary Dance Years 7 & 8 Dance Studio (Ms Francis)	GCSE Dance Students Years 10 & 11 Dance Studio (Ms Keogh) GCSE Coursework & Intervention Group 1 F7 (Ms Francis) Badminton Year 11 & 6th Form Gym (Ms Eakins)	Indoor Athletics Years 7 & 8 Gym (Mrs Mansell)	Trampolining GCSE PE Years 10 & 11 Gym (Ms Francis) GCSE PE Coursework & Intervention Group 2 G18 (Ms Keogh)	Multi Games SS Students (Invitation only) Gym (BTEC Students)
After School 3.20 – 4.20p.m.	Netball Year 7 Playground/Gym (Mrs Mansell)	Netball Years 10 & 11 & BTEC PE Playground/Gym (Ms Keogh)	Football Years 9, 10 & 11 Playground (Mr Burt/ Ms Scallan)	Netball Years 8 & 9 Playground/Gym (Ms Francis)	Running Club All Years Playground/Gym (Mrs Mansell & Ms Riaz)

A Weekly Gift to you and your family from your Catholic School

THE *Wednesday*
WORD



SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the 'Little Way Week' edition of *The Wednesday Word*. Little Way Week is a week of service which is inspired by the life of St Thérèse of Lisieux who remained faithful to God throughout her short life. St Thérèse is a great model of faith for all people.

Helping our children to grow in faith, to know and to love God, is one of the greatest gifts we can give them. Faith in God transforms how we see the world and helps us to keep growing in our love for each other too.

Wednesday 28th September 2022

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us about the power (and also the duty) that comes from having faith in God. Faith can 'move mountains'; it can free us from anxiety and give us confidence and inner strength.

A family full of faith is a family full of joy. Enjoy exploring this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **FAITH**.

Dom Henry Wansbrough



To see this week's Parish Version of *The Wednesday Word*: wednesdayword.org - Parents' Pages - Lectio Divina with Fr Henry.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 2nd October 2022



The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "Were your faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, 'Come and have your meal immediately'? Would he not be more likely to say, 'Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards'? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, 'We are merely servants; we have done no more than our duty.'"

Adapted from
Luke 17: 5-10 (the 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C)

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church - all are warmly invited.

"How beautiful it is to support each other in the wonderful adventure of faith!" *Pope Francis*



WORD CONNECTING HOME, SCHOOL AND PARISH THROUGH SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Having faith is to believe and trust in God's love for us. Faith is one of life's greatest blessings – it is a gift to be shared. The Church exists to help people to grow in their faith. You can find out more at: cbcew.org.uk

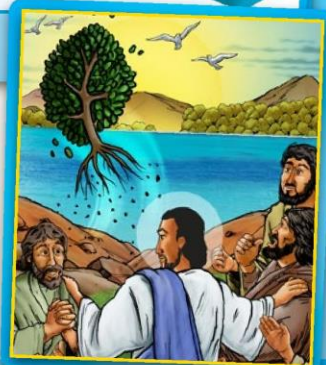


1 Our Special Time Together

Enjoy reading the Gospel overleaf (or below for younger children)

One day Jesus' friends, the apostles, said to him, "Please increase our faith. Make our faith grow stronger." So to help them understand how small their faith really was, and how real faith helps us to do amazing things, Jesus said to them, "If your faith was the size of a tiny mustard seed, you could do astonishing things. You could even tell this mulberry tree to pull itself out of the ground, roots and all, and to plant itself in the sea, and the tree would obey you!"

What did the apostles ask Jesus to do for them? Which word or words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why? See the picture opposite. What does it make you think about?



2 Wednesday's Word is ...

FAITH

3 Loving God & Each Other

"The family is the place where parents become their children's first teachers in the faith." *Pope Francis*

Faith greatly enriches our lives. Ask your child what the word 'faith' means to them. Who do they know who has great faith in God? Who helps them to grow in faith and learn more about God? You may want to tell your child about someone in the family, at school or in the parish who helped you to grow in faith when you were young.

"Faith and love are everything, and nothing is more precious than these." *St Ignatius of Antioch*

Faith and love are inseparable. Having faith in God helps happiness and love to grow in our families. What can we do to help our family's faith to grow, in little ways, as we celebrate 'Little Way Week'? Perhaps we can: perform a little act of goodness each day; talk about God together and with others; read *The Wednesday Word* together; say morning and bedtime prayers; ask God to help us grow in faith. For more ideas please see: missiontogether.org.uk

Dear Lord Jesus, help us to be like St Thérèse. Please increase our **faith** and move us to action – sharing God's love with the world in little ways. Amen.

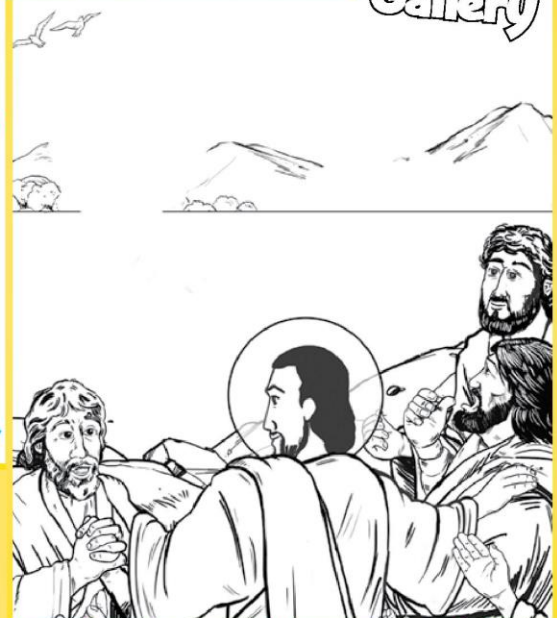
Gospel Gallery

WEDNESDAY WORDSEARCH

SMARTSEARCHERS FIND THESE EIGHT WORDS EITHER ACROSS OR DOWN

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SUPERSEARCHERS FIND THE WORDS BACKWARDS OR DIAGONALLY



Cross out the letters **l m d** in the jumbled words below to find 4 real words.

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The apostles said to Jesus, "Please _____ our _____. Make _____ faith _____ stronger."

Search for at least three differences between this picture and the colour one. Then draw them in before colouring.



Jesus wants us to have faith in God's help – just like St Thérèse. He tells us that faith is a powerful thing. Even if it is as small as a tiny seed, then it can help us to do great things.

See: missiontogether.org.uk/little-way-week

Write a promise and then draw a big smile on Smiley

This week I will try my best to...

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