

**ST URSULA'S E-ACT ACADEMY**  
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**CREATE**

Tuesday 7th May 2019

Dear parents/carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend and are feeling more rested than normal this Tuesday.

Last week was a very exciting one for St. Ursula's as our year 5 & 6 football team won the Bristol Schools Football Final at Ashton Gate Stadium last Wednesday. This, I believe, was the first time this has happened in St. Ursula's history! In Friday's celebration assembly the whole school gave them the loudest cheer I've ever heard. The school aren't just proud of what they achieved but proud of how they showed great sportsmanship at all times. Thank you to Mr. Phillips and Mr. Telford also for all their hard work and the support they have given to our wonderful footballers.

Auditions for the Spotlight award (mentioned in last week's bulletin) did indeed occur last Friday (3<sup>rd</sup> May) and the talent on display (not to mention children's excitement) was quite something! In light of this, I feel I may have to diary in another event that showcases children's talents to the whole school and then in a concert to parents. I will keep you posted on this!

Last week seen the start of our year 2 children doing Key Stage 1 test papers. These tests will be done over the month of May and the tests will be administered as sensitively as possible making sure children's well-being is foremost. The Key Stage 2 SATs are next week (from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> inclusively) and the team at St. Ursula's will be working hard to give as much support as we can to the year 6 children during this week. If you are a parent/carer of a year 2 or year 6 pupil and have any questions or concerns please make sure you speak to your child's teacher.

I wish everyone a peaceful week.

Kind regards,  
Nicky Reynolds  
Interim Headteacher

## **Celebration Assembly Star of the Week Awards**

1CBMT- Lenka

1SM- Mishal

1EC- Darragh

2RDKS- Bonnie

2SH- Rosie

2SE- Archie

3DP- Betty

3AW- Rex

3EW- Freya

4SB- Ethan

4NM- Tiona

4RB- Ozzy

5SS-Ted

5CM- Lexi

5CT- Jack

6CJ- Juwa

6AM- Harry

6ET- Miya

### **Class News**

#### **Reception**

Last week the children have been busy retelling the story of The Billy Goats Gruff word for word with actions and making story maps to help them to recall it. We have started to innovate the story and change the characters to the Three Unicorns and the Superhero, and lots of other imaginative ideas. In Maths we were solving problems that involved sharing, we had to work out how many

flowers each goat would get if there were twenty flowers in the field, the children demonstrated their mathematical thinking in drawings. We enjoyed getting out in our garden and planting sunflower seeds and bedding plants and are looking forward to seeing them bloom soon. In art we have been thinking big and using 3d materials to design and build bridges. In PE the children have been practising skills for sports day, a list of their houses will be available soon.

When your child turns 5 they are no longer entitled to free milk, if your child would like to have milk please can you fill in the forms in reception to apply for it.

### **Year One**

Year one have had an exciting week! On Monday we went to 'We The Curious' and had a super time exploring all the different science experiments. Some of our favourites included a tornado, mega bubbles, busy bees and the slanted room! We also had a wonderful workshop where we travelled the world and looked at artefacts from different habitats.

We really enjoyed our class auditions and seeing all the lovely talent we have in year one – it was tough choosing just one person for each class!

For homework we were asked to make some pirate maps, shipwrecks and treasure chests and we have made some really wonderful creations some of which are now up on our topic boards come and have a look me hearties - Oo Arrr!

### **Year Two**

We have had an exciting and challenging week involving the start of our SATs papers. We are so impressed with the children's effort, growth mind-sets and positive attitudes that they continue to show towards their learning.

We had our first Science lesson of the term and began to discuss balanced diet and the importance of each food group. This linked well to DT where the children sampled different fruit combinations to begin designing a fruit kebab.

In history the children have started to learn about Florence Nightingale and medical practice during the Crimean War. The children have shown lots of interest and empathy during discussions about the previous conditions of hospitals.

We have been innovating the story of Zog and the Flying Doctors and have been amazed with the children's creativity. They have applied features such as adverbs and expanded noun phrases to develop their writing skills.

### **Year Three**

Year 3 have had a busy but enjoyable first week back to school. Our learning of money has been going well and we have been learning to add and subtract money including giving change. Next week we will be looking at measurement. In English we have been focusing on imitating the story Peters Railway. The

vocabulary (related to railways) learnt this week has certainly helped with our topic learning and we are now including this more in our writing and speaking. Thank you to everyone who have sent in materials to help with our boat inventions as part of our design and technology lessons. We can't wait to start inventing!

#### **Year Four**

This week in maths we have learnt how to find the area of different rectilinear shapes - we are feeling really confident at this and have been able to draw shapes for a given area as well.

In English, we have written our innovated legend stories, where we changed the green children to having a mysterious feature - they are now either ghosts, thumb sized or have super human strength! We have continued to embed our use of fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases in our writing.

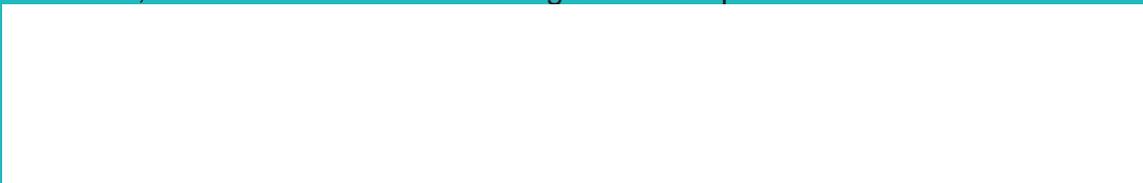
In science, we had our first lesson on sound. We began by going on a sound walk around school and talking about the difference between the sounds we can hear and their source. Back in class, we learnt about the link between sound and vibrations and played different musical instruments to help us understand this.

#### **Year Five**

This week in maths we measured and calculated perimeter of compound shapes, we also learnt how to find missing lengths using our knowledge of properties of rectangles. In literacy we learnt the story of Icarus and wrote our imitated piece using personification and various pronoun choices. In art we have researched and discussed ancient Greek art and explored clay joining techniques.

#### **Year Six**

In maths last week Year 6 were brushing up on their geometry knowledge - practising finding the volume, area and perimeter, as well as exploring with angles. In SPaG we were revising a mixture of question types so that we can feel confident with these SPaG features. Our reading lessons have been themed around fantasy stories – we have found out some interesting ideas about the creatures who lived around the Loch. Amongst our busy revision timetable, we found time for an exciting talent competition !



## Messages:

### Messages from the PTFA

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You can find us outside by the hall window.  
Ice lollies are £0.50p and Ice creams are £1.00.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact a PTFA member.

- Change of date

Please note that the summer fayre will be a Sunday Fun Day on the 23rd June and not the 22nd as previously stated. We plan to continue the success of last year with unlimited access wristbands. Hopefully a relaxing day for parents on the field, with maybe a football game or two!

Unfortunately, we have to change the May disco date due to Shine Hall and PTFA members availability. We are trying to find an alternative date that doesn't clash with bank holidays etc. Please watch this space! If you are able to volunteer to help run this event, please do get in touch asap as the team are currently stretched and need a bit of support. Thank you!  
Your PTFA Committee

### Volunteers needed for St Ursula's International Day

We are very excited to be holding an International Day on Wednesday 19th June to celebrate the diversity in our school. We plan to run different cultural activities throughout the day which the children can participate in. This might include dance, music, cooking, art or languages. Do you have a skill or knowledge in something that you think you could share for International Day? We are looking for parents to help run workshops and share their diverse cultural backgrounds. If you think you might be able to help then please leave your email address, name and what you might be able to offer with the office and Mrs Baines or Mrs Tuner will be in touch with more information. Thank you!

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## Other news



### Bristol Football Finals 2019

Wednesday 1st May saw St Ursula's year 5&6 Football team attend the Bristol Schools Football Finals at Ashton Gate Stadium. They gained their place in the final through being top of the North Bristol football league. The team had a tough day ahead of them, playing against the top football teams for their age throughout the city. St Ursula's starting brightly in their first game against West Town Lane, two goals from Sam secured a 2-0 victory.

Up next was Summer Hill, squad rotation saw Evie start in the midfield. St Ursula's attacking threats proved to be strong with Sam scoring again. St Ursula's

solid defence then held firm to see out the game.

St Ursula's started slowly in their next game against Holy Mead and found themselves 1-0 down after a couple of minutes. However, St Ursula's character and leadership proved to strong again. After a nail biting couple of minutes Louis fired the ball in the back of the net to bring the game back to 1-1. With the clock down to the last minute and a draw looking likely Bradley came out of nowhere and pinged the ball passed the keeper to gain a 2-1 win. This result saw St Ursula's progress into the semi-finals.

Our semi-final fixture was against Bridge Farm and it proved to be an absolute thriller. After a full match and extra time the scores were locked at 1-1 The result of the match came down to penalties. To the delight and cheers of the travelling St Ursula's parents in the stands we came out winners and progressed into the Bristol Schools Football Final.

A 5 minutes each way match would decide the top team in Bristol. From the moment the starting whistle blew St Ursula's meant business. Constant phases of attacking play kept Ashton Gate School under pressure. After three minutes St Ursula's proved too strong and Sam stepped up yet again to tap the ball into net and put the team 1-0 up. From this point onwards St Ursula's "parked the bus". Some outstanding defending from Jack and Tomos and tireless work rate from the whole team was enough to see the game out and secure a victory for St Ursula's. The final whistle went and travelling fans, parents and players went wild as St Ursula's were crowned football champions of Bristol for the first time in its history.

This is an outstanding achievement for all involved and means a great deal to parents, staff but most importantly the pupils. The dedication and hard work from the pupils all year has been unbelievable and they can be incredibly proud of what they have achieved for both themselves and the school.

Well done to all involved, we are very proud of you!!!!

Mr Philip & Mr Telford

Below are pictures of the changing room, made to look like a professional one by Mr Philip!



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## **Raising money for the Little Princess Charity**

Daisy in 2SE will be chopping off her pony tail for the little princess charity in June and is raising money for Bristol children's hospital too as it is very close to the family's hearts.

Please donate if you can via the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/Daisyhairchop>.

JustGiving sends your donation straight to Wallace & Gromit's Grand Appeal and automatically reclaims Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, so your donation is worth even more.

Thank you in advance for your support!

## **Congratulations to...**

Oscar Wilson who received the 'Best Sixer' award for his first cub camp as a Sixer.

Bobby Wilson who received 'Most Improved Player' for his first ever football presentation at Shine JFC U8s.



The Shine Under 8s team won the Bristol Junior League under 9's (a higher age group). Here are the boys celebrating at their presentation evening last week. St Ursula's Yr 3 boys in photo are Lewis Appleby, George Brotherton, Dylan Ison, James Tufton, Jacob Westacott, Freddie White and Bobby Wilson.

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A polite reminder that scooters and bikes must not be ridden once inside the school gates. Please ensure that children do not climb on the climbing frame before school.

### **Attendance**

Best year group for this week at 99%: Reception & Year 3

100% class attendance this week: Paddington, 2SH, 3DP & 6CJ

2nd place at 99%: 1EC & 3AW

3rd place at 98%: 6ET / 4NW & 3EW

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**New menu** (N.B. There is a menu change on 16th May: it will be fish and chips)

with a range of puddings for dessert.)

**Spring / Summer 2019**

Choose from our fabulous fresh Salad Bar Daily

w/c 25th Feb, 18th Mar, 8th Apr, 29th Apr, 20th May, 10th Jun, 1st Jul, 22nd Jul, 12th Aug, 2nd Sept, 23rd Sept

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>WEEK 1</b> Loaded Mac n Cheese and Garlic Focaccia ▲ Spring Veg Frittata and Garlic Focaccia ▼ Italian Orange Cake	Bangers and Mash ▲ Vegan Quorn Bangers and Mash ▼ Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Roast Pork and Gravy ▲ Cherry Tomato and Rocket Tart ▼ Honey Picnic Flapjack	Chinese Chicken Noodles ▲ Sweet Potato Balli with Basmati Rice ▼ Berry Eton Mess	Fish Fingers and Chips ▼ Quorn Brunch Muffin and Chips ▼ Cookie Oat Cookie

w/c 4th Mar, 25th Mar, 15th Apr, 6th May, 27th May, 17th Jun, 8th Jul, 29th Jul, 19th Aug, 9th Sept, 30th Sept

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>WEEK 2</b> Cheesy Mozzarella Pizza with Wedges Fresh Tomato and Basil ▼ Wholemeal Penne Pasta Neapolitan ▼ Tiramisu Trifle Pot	Beef Bolognese with Spaghetti ▲ Cheddar Cheese and Spinach Gùche with New Potatoes ▼ Toffee Apple Tart and Custard	Lemon Roast Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy ▼ Quorn Roast with Stuffing and Gravy ▼ Ice Cream Tub	All American Turkey Twist Burger in Wholemeal Bun ▲ Chunky Chilli Tacos with Tangy Salsa ▼ Mini Chocolate Brownie with Orange Wedge	Crispy Battered Fish and Chips ▼ Picnic Pita with Minty Cucumber Salad and Chips ▼ Cookie Ginger Cookie

w/c 11th Mar, 1st Apr, 22nd Apr, 13th May, 3rd Jun, 24th Jun, 15th Jul, 5th Aug, 26th Aug, 16th Sept

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>WEEK 3</b> Firecracker Pizza with Herb Wedges ▼ Broccoli and Salmon Pasta Bake ▼ Apricot Biscotti Lemon Yoghurt	Root Mash Topped Cottage Pie ▲ Smokey Quorn Meatballs and Yellow Rice ▼ Butterscotch Tart	Roast Gammon with Sticky Pineapple ▲ Super Green Veggie Lasagne ▼ Magic Chocolate Pudding	Punjabi Butter Chicken with Rice ▼ Sweet Potato & ChickPea Curry ▼ Carrot and Pineapple Muffin	Fish Fingers and chips ▼ Cheese and Marmite Muffin with chips ▼ Cookie Lemon Cookie

Served Daily  
A baked jacket potato with a choice of toppings

We offer seasonal vegetables, bread, yoghurt and fruit daily. (allergy information available)

Aspens

Meat  
Veggie  
Jack's Potato  
Packed Lunch

## Tips to keep safe when browsing online

Many of you know how excited children get about using the internet, whether it is for general browsing, socialising or gaming. It can also be a very useful resource for help with their homework. However, it is important that they are able to search freely within the boundaries of age-appropriate material.

Please find below some suggested websites and search engines with age appropriate ratings. We welcome any feedback on using these websites.

Kiddle Ages: 4+ <https://www.kiddle.co/>

A visual search engine

Kido'z Ages: 4+ <https://kidoz.net/>

A password-protected, self-contained browser that can be downloaded and installed for free.

Kid Info Ages 6+ <https://www.kidinfo.com/>

Offers subject help and many useful reference resources.

KidsClick! Ages 8+ [www.kidsclick.org/](http://www.kidsclick.org/)

Focuses on a catalogue of resources that provide age-appropriate information on a range of topics

KidzSearch Ages 10+ <https://www.kidzsearch.com/>

Uses Google SafeSearch™ to provide safe, adult-content-free search results for kids.

## Happy e-safety!

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### May Half Term Sports Clubs- Discount

The E-Act sports team will once again be running holiday sports clubs during the May half term. The club will run from Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st May from 9am- 4pm right here at St Ursula's, with children allowed to be dropped off from 8.15am. We also offer after care from 4-6pm for just £10 to help working parents. The cost of the day should be £15 but book by **10PM on Monday 20th May** and you can get a **20% early bird discount**, meaning the day costs just **£12!!** You can also get a further **10% sibling discount** to help with the cost.

Some parents have asked how the day works and what we do. We don't designate certain sports to certain days, instead we have a flexible approach to our activities. We will look at things like numbers and ages and use our experience to judge what we think will work well. We also communicate with the children about what sports & activities they would like to play, after all it is their holiday time. Through the week we will try and play a wide range of sports and games giving the children the opportunity to play traditional sports and new fun games. Please note that the holiday clubs are open to children from **all schools**, not just St Ursula's, from early years up to year 6. Although not set in stone the timetable for our day is shown below, please note children can be dropped off as early as **8.15am**:

- 8.15- 9.30am: Children arrive, register & free time.
- 9.30am: Morning briefing with children.
- 9.45- 10.45am: Main activity 1
- 10.45- 11am: Morning break
- 11am- 12.15pm: Main activity 2
- 12.15- 1.15pm: Lunch & free time
- 1.15- 2.15pm: Main activity 3
- 2.15- 2.30pm: Afternoon break
- 2.30- 3.45pm: Main activity 4
- 3.45- 4.15pm: Dismiss children
- 4.15- 6pm: After care slot; fun game & film

The holiday clubs cover a range of sports in a relaxed and welcoming environment. We also provide alternative creative and art activities for children who don't fancy a full day of sport. To book a place and get your early bird discount please visit <https://e-act.bookinglive.com>

Should you have any questions regarding the clubs please email Ben Roberts (Ben.Roberts@e-act.org.uk).

## **Absence Requests**

It is important to complete an absence request form as soon as you know that your child may be off during term time. 10 days' notice is the requirement but we appreciate that from time to time children may need to attend emergency appointments which cannot be helped. Please note that we may ask for evidence when considering any requests so please do not be offended as it is part of our attendance and safeguarding processes and procedures. If parents provide the correct information, we can ensure the correct marks are entered on your child's registration document which is a legal document.

## **Concerns or Issues**

Should anyone have an issue or concern about anything at all please let the office know. The email address is: [ReceptionURS@E-ACT.org.uk](mailto:ReceptionURS@E-ACT.org.uk) The office will forward emails received to the appropriate member of staff.

## **Children Who Arrive Late**

Children who arrive late to school (currently 9:01am onwards) must be accompanied by an adult to the office where they will be signed in.

## **Medication**

Medication (including Calpol) should not be kept in your child's school bag. It must be handed into the office.

## **Key Dates**

<u>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April</u>	<u>Bank Holiday</u>
<u>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April</u>	<u>Start of Term 5</u>
<u>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May</u>	<u>Year 1-3 dance workshop</u>
<u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May</u>	<u>Reception fire engine visit</u>
<u>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</u>	<u>EYFS writing parent workshop</u>
<u>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</u>	<u>E-ACT Regional Event at UWE</u>
<u>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</u>	<u>Parents open morning (years 1-6)</u>
<u>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May</u>	<u>Inset day</u>
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<u>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>Individual, sibling and class photos</u>
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<u>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>First session of year 6 Bikeability in the morning (weekly)</u>
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<u>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>EYFS Skills days</u>
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<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>Safety day</u>
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<u>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>Geography day</u>
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<u>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</u>	<u>Sunday Fun Day</u>
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<u>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>Sports day</u>
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<u>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June</u>	<u>Sports day back up date</u>
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<u>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July</u>	<u>Year 6 camp</u>
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<u>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</u>	<u>Year 2 aquarium trip</u>
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<u>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</u>	<u>Inset day</u>
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<u>Monday 15<sup>th</sup>-Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</u>	<u>E-ACT passport week</u>
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<u>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 5-6pm</u>	<u>Year 6 leavers disco</u>
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<u>22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of July</u>	<u>Inset days</u>
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<u>2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of September</u>	<u>Inset days</u>
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<u>4<sup>th</sup> October</u>	<u>Inset day</u>
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<u>4<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<u>Inset day</u>
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Arts and crafts



Wind down and relax



Outdoor activities



**Josie's  
club**

**Come and join us for  
some after school fun  
with friends!**

Two sessions per afternoon

1st session 3.30-4.30pm

Two engaging, fun activities  
to get stuck into.

2nd session 4.30-6.00pm

Wind down and chill out session  
with healthy snacks provided.

**Booking information**

Book via: [e-act.bookinglive.com](http://e-act.bookinglive.com)

Any queries please email:

[josie's.club@e-act.org.uk](mailto:josie's.club@e-act.org.uk)

Dance



Fun with food



Sport

