



# Welcome to **Ursuline High School**

*Catholic Education- Extraordinary Women*

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## **WORK WITH US!**

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Ursuline High School, Wimbledon



St Angela's Arts Centre at Ursuline High School, Wimbledon



# About Our School



**Ursuline High School, Wimbledon is a voluntary-aided, comprehensive high school for Roman Catholic girls from 11-18. Under the Trusteeship of the Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark.**

**Merton schools' are top in England for Progress 8, figures from DfE show and the Ursuline, Wimbledon, has a tradition of academic excellence, addressing individual needs and service in the spirit of St Angela. The curriculum equips girls with skills for the modern, global world and develops them as independent and critical learners and confident communicators.**

There has been an Ursuline School here in *Wimbledon* for 125 years and we are part of a network of Ursuline Schools. As such we are proud to be the providers of a modern global education focused on: academic excellence, service in the spirit of *Angela Merici*, addressing individual needs and developing young women as leaders.

We have a fantastic campus, from specialist rooms for Food Technology and Science to computer rooms for I.T. Our recently refurbished **St Angela's Arts Centre** houses all of our drama, art and music rooms, with an impressive gallery. **Ursuline Sixth Form** and **Wimbledon College** have worked in partnership since 1986 and the joint Sixth Form has over 600 students.

## We aim to:

- Build a caring and supportive Christian community where each individual is able to grow in their understanding of the faith and in their commitment to Christ.
- Set standards of excellence in teaching and learning and to provide a broad balanced and relevant curriculum.
- Develop personal qualities of understanding of self and others, self-discipline and motivation, responsible maturity, creative freedom and integrity.
- Foster an attitude of respect for all regardless of age, race, colour, creed or gender.
- Build peace, to promote justice, social concern and, through the celebration of difference, the equality of all peoples.
- Widen horizons, to encourage a sense of commitment and service to the wider world, and to enable each one to go on learning and changing all through life.

# Our Staff Profile



**We share a collective responsibility for ensuring that every student does as well as she possibly can. We believe that by providing the best care, guidance and support for our students' academic and pastoral needs, every girl is enabled to be her best.**

## Mission Statement

Inspired by the life and work of St Angela Merici (Feast Day: 27 January), our Ursuline school commits itself to education for tomorrow's world within the dynamic tradition of Catholic belief and practice. As a Christian community, characterised by a spirit of respect, trust and joy, we promote excellence in every aspect of life, thereby fully developing each individual.

## Our Core Values

- Serviam
- Respect
- Kindness
- Generosity
- Perseverance
- Gratitude

## We value staff who strive to always:

- Commit to the ethos of the school, 'serviam'
- Develop our students gifts and talents to benefit elasticity
- Commit to excellence
- Develop leadership in young people
- Commit to developing the whole person





**When you come and work at Ursuline High School, you will be able to benefit from a structured and comprehensive professional development programme. As a valued member of staff we want to ensure that you have access to all the benefits available to you.**

Your first year in post will be crucial to ensuring your success as a member of staff and to maintaining the ongoing success of our school. For this purpose a mentoring system is in place to ease you into the structures and systems of the school and give support in your first year with us. There are excellent working conditions for all staff and opportunities for professional development.

### **Induction and Career Development**

- Welcome programme
- **Teach Wimbledon** PGCE + QTS and 60 credits to the Masters training (see our **Teach Wimbledon** pack for more information)
- A mentor programme for all newly qualified teachers joining us
- CPD training for all staff from NQT to Senior Leadership
- Career pathway opportunities for staff development into leadership roles
- An advocate of the Catholic School Leadership programme delivered by **St Mary's University, UCL** and **Roehampton**



The staff are very supportive towards each other with a great camaraderie existing throughout the school with a number of social events that are open to all. In addition to this, benefits include the following:

- Social staff area and work area for staff
- Membership of the staff association

### **Partnerships**

We are continuously forging and developing new links, we have a long established partnership with **Wimbledon College** and a special relationship **with St Philomena's** called the *Avila Partnership*. We also work collaboratively with our **Merton Catholic Schools**.

We have link with a number of community organisations and schools, including the **Polish Saturday School** and *Mulberry School*.

# Career Pathways



**We have a strong leadership team with many opportunities for those who aspire to leadership positions in our school.**



## **Jenny Harriot**

*Head of Year 7/ Assistant Headteacher*



Head of Year 7



Languages Teacher



Joined as an NQT: Languages



## **Helen McCauley**

*KS4 English Literature Co-ordinator*



English Teacher



Joined as an NQT: English



## **Sulumenty Odhiambo**

*NPQM CPD Training*



Head of R.E



New Teacher: R.E



# Living and Working in Wimbledon (and the surrounding area)



**Ursuline High School, Wimbledon is situated in the London Borough of Merton, between Wimbledon and Raynes Park with areas of Colliers Wood, Mitcham, Morden all close by.**

**Wimbledon is exceptionally well served by road, bus and rail links.** The main road artery is the **A219** which runs off the **A3**. The road network offers fast access to the **M23**, and **M25** and thus to **Channel Tunnel** links, major airports and the south coast.

**The closest main railway stations to the site are Raynes Park, Wimbledon Chase and Wimbledon which are all within a comfortable walking distance.**

Wimbledon Station is also a terminus for the District Line of the **London Underground** network. Frequent trains run to Waterloo Station, (journey time 15 minutes) which is very near to central London. The **Tramlink** service connects *Wimbledon, Merton and Croydon*, and there is an extensive bus network.

**Merton also has entertainment in abundance.** The ***New Wimbledon Theatre*** is one of south west London's biggest and most prestigious, frequently hosting performances straight from the West End. The famous ***Polka Children's Theatre*** is also in the borough alongside the ***All England Tennis Club***.

**There are also a great deal of outdoor spaces to enjoy in the borough of Merton**, such **Cannizaro Park, Morden Hall Park, Wimbledon Common** and **Dean City Farm** and there is certainly no shortage of great places to eat and drink in the borough either! Wimbledon itself hosts a vast array of bars and restaurants, and the surrounding areas offer places such as **Merton Abby Mills**, a famous weekend market which is a great place to grab a bite to eat and enjoy an afternoon out- Merton certainly caters for all tastes and budgets on the entertainment front!



For further information on what the **London Borough of Merton** can offer, visit [www.merton.gov.uk](http://www.merton.gov.uk)



**New Wimbledon Theatre, Wimbledon High Street**



**Wimbledon Common**

