

Ullswater Community College Newsletter



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March 2024



Hello and welcome to the March '24 Newsletter – and what a newsletter it is, it doesn't even cover all the things that have happened during this busy and action packed half term! I hope you can find a few moments to take a look at the contents to see what the school has been up to over the last few weeks. Firstly, a **huge CONGRATULATIONS and a very warm and special welcome to all of our new year 7 students!** who will be joining us in September. We cannot wait to welcome you to Ullswater and whilst your time at Primary is coming to an end your time at UCC is just beginning.

Over the next 5/7 years you are going to have the chance to experience so many wonderful milestones - we cannot wait to be a part of them. In the near future we will be sharing information about your transition day on **Thursday 4 July** and look forward to seeing you all again then. There will be a parents/carers event after school on this day too that will welcome you to the school, share the sUCCesses of the day, allow you to meet staff and provide an opportunity to try on and order your new uniform.

As always, every term at Ullswater is an exciting one and this term has been no exception. Throughout the newsletter you will see many of the wonderful activities and events that have been taking place.

Year 11's and 13's, you are now rapidly approaching the final phase of your time at UCC and will soon be completing your GCSE's and A Levels. It will be a hard few weeks but with all the support of those around you, I know you are going to be very successful in the summer and will receive the grades you deserve. Focus, work hard and let us know if you need anything. Be sure to capitalise on everything that is offered to you as we approach the exam window.

Thank you to all the members of our community who take the time to get in touch and share suggestions as to how we can continue to improve, your views are valued and we often discuss them in the various meetings that take place to see how we can incorporate them into our plans. Your suggestions have influenced our classes and subjects, our clubs, our teams and our personal development approach, so please do keep them coming.

As always, our greatest assets are our wonderful students... (continued)

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HAPPY
EASTER



Last night was a special evening to celebrate the Summer 2023 A level & GCSE students. Taking place in the Cumberland Hall, we invited students to come along and receive their awards, voted for by UCC staff. To present the awards we welcomed back student alum, Cameron Stewart & Great North Air Ambulance Paramedic, Lee Salmon.

Both guests gave inspirational words of advice to the audience & entertained us with stories & anecdotes from their fascinating lives. Being able to celebrate the students' successes with their parents, grandparents, carers, brothers & sisters was a real honour & made for a memorable event.

We are very proud of our students both past & present & wish them all the best, wherever life takes them. Well done everyone!!



...and to date this year we have awarded 440,000 positive AtL's since September – a true reflection of all the fantastic work our students undertake in the school every lesson, every day.

We always include some useful information towards the end of the newsletter in relation to sources of help for families from the school and more widely during these difficult times – be sure to take a look and remember to contact us if you need anything at all.

Congratulations to all our sUCCess award and Golden ticket winners, along with our past 11's and 13's at the recent awards evening, what a privilege it is to recognise their achievements and hear their stories – well done to all our winners!

We will continue to do everything we can to support all your efforts. Enjoy the Easter break and I look forward to seeing you all return safe and well for the summer term.

Mr S Gilby, Headteacher

WELCOME

Year 6

Welcome to all the new families that have students currently in Year 6 who received your emails & letters this month confirming that you're joining UCC in September!

You'll be receiving lots more information from us in the coming weeks & months, but one of the most important things to do is to apply for school transport if you need it, before the councils Friday 31 May 2024 deadline;

<https://legacy.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/childrens-services/schoolsandlearning/schooltransport.asp>



Sixth Form Applications closed TODAY!
We will be in touch with all applicants
about next steps very soon.

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In February we introduced a new UCC initiative; "You're Blooming Marvellous". Designed to celebrate our staff, each month students nominate a member of staff that they feel go over & above to help our community flourish. The student & Mr Gilby then present that member of staff with a bunch of flowers! Any students that would like to nominate in future can email a name & reason to lwaite@ullswatercc.co.uk

**You're
Blooming
Marvellous!**

**Our February
Winner is...**

Mrs R Wood



**You're
Blooming
Marvellous!**

**Our March
Winner is...**

Miss C Hill



**CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH**

BARNARDOS

Some upcoming webinars for Parents/Carers;

Adolescent worry - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l7cGb1BE1wo>

Behaviour is communication - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FKLr5o5r1Pk>

Teenage brain development - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gb4GHPARm-k>

Self harm guidance - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qPJf5SdiTyg>

**DON'T
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...the many support
services we can
offer our students;

- Wellbeing Champions - Health Hub
- KOOTH (online service that can be accessed anytime, but is available every lunchtime in R30)
- Mental Health First Aiders - Health Hub
- Occupational Therapist - internal referral
- Sexual Health Drop Ins - Health Hub
- Bereavement Support - Mrs Higgins, Attendance
- Advanced Thrive Practitioners - internal referral
- "Set to Soar" - internal referral
- Barnardos delivered CBT-based intervention
- UCC Chaplain
- Prayer Space

sUCCess

This term we have awarded our second round of sUCCess awards! We're so proud of our students on a daily basis we wanted to find another way (outside of our existing Attitude To Learning system) to reward them. Staff nominate students that actively represent our values; Ambitious, Caring, Equal &



from those nominees, winners have been chosen. The winners were invited to a lunch & presentation in the library this week, where Mr Gilby presented certificates & celebrated the students going above & beyond. Well done to all the nominees & winners; Aimee, Olivia, Carla, Keira, Brooke, Lilia, Mia, Macy, Charlie, Liana, Amber, Skye, Sadie, Ethan, Isaac, Ben, Dylan, Zac, Drew, Josh, Esme, Maddilyn, Olivia, Harry & Wiktoria.

GOLDEN TICKET

March 2024

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Voucher

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Voucher

Kendal Calling
Kendal Calling Tickets

RHEGED
Family Cinema tickets

WATERSIDE HOUSE CAMPSITE
Family camping

MAIN PRIZES

PS5

Family Day pass to Center Parcs

Year Group Prizes

FUSION TRAMPOLINE PARK

Tattie Tim's

Live draw will take place on the last day of term, Thursday 28 March



Huge Congratulations to all our Golden Ticket Prize Draw Winners!

Hard earned golden tickets throughout the term culminating in winning some great prizes, lots of which are donated from local companies so thank you!

Form time literacy winners were; 7SHA, 8JTA, 9EXC, 10PWA, 11ACC, 13BJL. £100 Amazon vouchers went to Fynn Year 7, Sammy Year 8 & Paddy Year 9. £100 ASOS vouchers went to Ava Year 10, Jack Year 11 & Ella Year 12. Kendal Calling tickets went to Bella Year 11 & Jack Year 13. Cameron Year 9 won an Arragons voucher. Alfie Year 10 won a Waterside camping voucher. Raine Year 7 won a Park Foot camping voucher. Lydia Year 9 won a Center Parcs day pass - and the one everyone wanted - a PS5 went to James Year 9!! Well done all!



It is crucial that that your child attends school regularly. Good attendance is essential for a successful education. Missing out on the introduction of a new topic or skill can place a student at a great disadvantage. In Years 10 & 11 – when students are preparing for their GCSE examinations – poor attendance can and will have serious consequences.

All school absence should be reported by **08:55am**
01768 210206 option 3 or
attendance@ullswatercc.co.uk

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE



Year 10 students set out on their work experience week at the beginning of March! This is such a crucial part of their year, and offers invaluable experience outside of the classroom.

Such a huge & varied list of companies helped us to make it happen - 143 in total, including; schools, tradespeople, hospitality, farms, vets, multi-nationals, media, accountancy...the list goes on.

Some businesses took more than one student and we can't thank them all enough. Students have come back into school inspired and eager to think more about what they'd like to do in the future!

The feedback we got from the placements regarding how the students conducted themselves and worked throughout the week was exemplary.

There's a reason we use #ProudtobeUCC.

- Ambitious
- Caring
- Equal



KS4 WORK EXPERIENCE

Once Year 10 had returned to school, some of our Key Stage 4 students started their action-packed work experience! They visited the Sunbeam trust to help set up for Songs & Scones, toured the production line at Greggs & decorated gingerbread men, met cows & ate delicious ice cream at Abbott Lodge, went nature spotting with Cumbria Wildlife Trust, had an amazing visit from the local policing team, visited Cumbria Fire Service & rounded off the week with a trip to Center Parcs!!



CAREERS FAIR

This time last week we welcomed 35+ companies and further education providers to UCC for our annual Careers Fair. Open to students in all year groups, and later in the day parents as well, it's a vital event in the calendar.

It inspires, motivates and teaches all in one go.

It gives students (and parents) the opportunity to speak to companies and/or FE providers and universities, to ask questions and either solidify future plans or develop new aspirations.

Students were given booklets at the start of the event to enable them to structure their time there and ask all the pertinent questions.

We'd like to say a huge thank you to all of the businesses, local and national who gave up their time to come along and make it such a success!



Architect Day

A group of year 10 students worked with representatives from the **Joanne Scott Foundation, PlacED, Growing Well Tebay & the Westmorland Family** recently. The day looked into what an architect does & the pathways to get there. The students received a brief which was to create a space for Growing Well to use for counselling/therapy purposes. They had to complete a site analysis to identify suitable locations on the site whilst taking into account the local area & resources available as well as complete a 'hairy' drawing. They got involved in the planting process at Growing Well & were introduced to the work that goes on at its site & what they would like in their new space. The students then returned to school & with their notes, sketches & photographs had to create a model of their space & do a presentation. The students were both creative & imaginative & brought elements to the brief that were praised by all involved.

The next stage is for the brief to be given to architect students at Lancaster University. They will then present their blueprints, models & budget & some of the UCC students will go & meet them & be part of the final judging & selection process. There will be an exhibition held at Rheged once complete, where the students' models will be displayed. Amazing opportunity!



Sixth form students welcomed some great speakers during National Careers Week earlier this month.

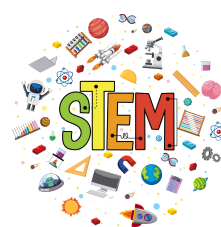
Firstly, Tony Ferguson, Senior Chartered Accountant with Dodd & Co. They got to hear first hand about routes to become an accountant & the work Dodd & Co do. Tony brought three of his recently hired apprentices to give our students a good understanding of the support given to apprentices & what their daily life is like on this scheme.

Secondly, Dr Chris Grant, Executive Medical Director for the North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust. Chris gave a really engaging & informative

talk about why we should all consider a career in the NHS & the wide variety of roles available. It was fascinating to hear about the paramedic service & the places this career can take you.

Our thanks go to both teams for their time!

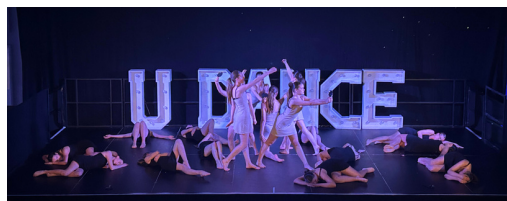
National Careers Week 4 March - 9 March 2024



A group of physics students joined Mrs Grace, Mr Watson & Mr Bambury for a trip to Carlisle mid-March. They attended a lecture by **Professor Valerie Gibson OBE** on

"The Quest to Understand Antimatter & Dark Matter". This was an exciting opportunity for students to experience degree level content delivered by an expert in her field from the University of Cambridge, Val has done

extensive work at the Large Hadron Collider in CERN, Geneva & gave a really interesting insight into discoveries made there, including finding the Higgs boson. The group consisted of Year 11, 12 & 13 students & the organisers of the event were delighted to have so many young minds attending the event - all the students did UCC proud.



U Dance Festival

Last week 18 Year 9 & 10 students took part in the U Dance festival in Carlisle. The students worked incredibly hard, showing fantastic commitment & enthusiasm over the course of the rehearsal process. The festival included performances from 9 other secondary schools in Cumbria. UCC performed a piece based on their current Personal Development topic of body image & the importance of positive body image. Their professionalism & support for the other school's on the day was admirable & they were a credit to UCC.



Paramedic Cadet Scheme

We're so proud of Year 13 Health & Social Care student, Holly. She has just started her placement working 12 hour shifts alongside the North West Ambulance Service.

Based in Keswick she is attending emergency call outs with the paramedic team & says; "It is an amazing experience, I really appreciate what an important job being a paramedic is".

Good luck with University in September Holly, where she's going to study Paramedic Science!

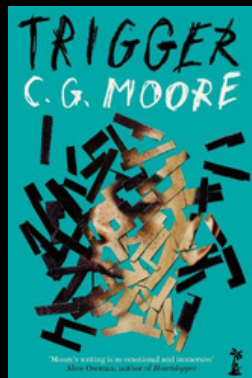
WORLD BOOK DAY®

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There were lots of celebrations for World Book Day on Thursday 7 March, starting with a whole school competition involving staff & students. For the week of World Book Day all staff wore a badge on their lanyard with the names of different fictional characters. Students were challenged to identify which member of staff was which fictional character, whilst staff were challenged to find their fictional partner.

Mykyta in Year 7 was the best badge detective, finding over 150 fictional characters! Lola & Oleksandroa (Year 7) also proved to be relentless in their search for names. Key Stage 3 enjoyed a form time tutor quiz of bookish questions, including a "Name the Character" round & a "Say What You See" round. TAKE were the champions with an impressive 19/20 correct answers.

Finally, we were delighted to welcome award-winning author C.G. Moore on World Book Day itself. Chris (C.G.) won the Irish Children's Book of the Year in 2022 for his novel Gut Feelings. His verse novel Trigger was released on World Book Day, so UCC students were some of the first in the UK to have the opportunity to hear about it.



Chris delivered a fantastic talk for KS4 readers & answered all their questions about being an author. We were very grateful to Hedgehog Bookshop for their support in running a bookstall at the event.



National Reading Champions Quiz



For the second time a UCC team of avid readers have triumphed at the North West heat of the National Reading Champions Quiz. Three teams competed, with the Neon Foxes proving victorious. Will, Emma, Megan & Carla will travel to London in June to represent the North West at the Grand Final - Good Luck Team!



Book in a Box Winners

After fierce competition India C has won the Year 7 Book in a Box competition. Her box, based on the book "The Secret Sunshine Project" was chosen as the winner by visiting author C.G. Moore on World Book Day. Congratulations India!

Luna L came second with her box, also based on "The Secret Sunshine Project" & Ellie P came third with her box based on "Awesome Animals". Their boxes were all incredible & are on display in the library for other students to be wowed by.



New Book Club Starts

A new book club started in the library this half-term, Showers will meet every Friday lunchtime until the summer holidays & will be reading & doing activities on books shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal and/or for the Spellbinding award.

The Carnegie Medal is the UK's oldest & most prestigious book award for young people, whilst the Spellbinding Award is Cumbria's very own schools' book award. There are some fantastic books on both lists, we can't wait to read & discuss them all!

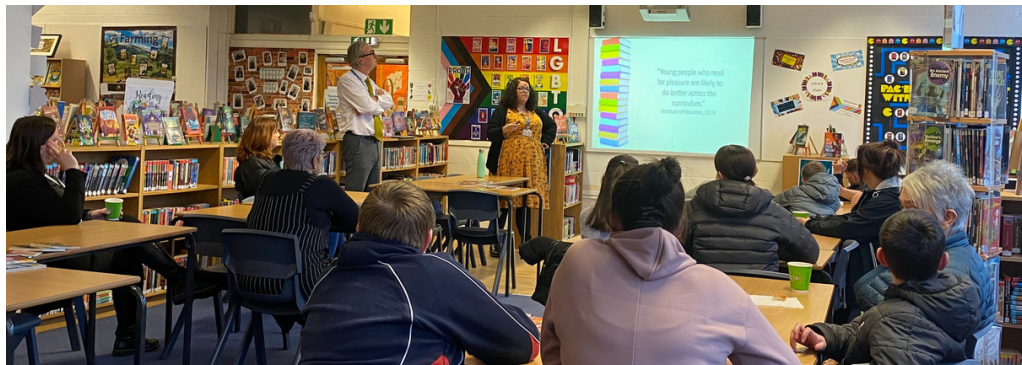
All students are welcome to join & should visit the library for more info.



Supporting Reading

The English department & the Library joined forces for a second Supporting Reading session for parents this half-term. Parents of selected Year 7 & Year 8 students were invited to join us for an after school session exploring the

importance of reading. In the session we explained how the reading systems Accelerated Reader & Sparx work to support reading progress, discussed the reading expectations at UCC & offered tips on supporting children's reading at home. We will be offering the session to more parents in the future. Anyone interested in attending is invited to email library@ullswatercc.co.uk.



- Ullswater Community CrossFit -



UCC received the incredible news recently that we have been successful in our bid to Active Cumbria for funding to transform our Fitness Room into the **FIRST** Non-profit CrossFit Affiliate in Cumbria.

Supported by The Academy Programme & CrossFit UK we will be delivering classes that not only improve our students' physical fitness but also develop life skills, personal growth & employment opportunities.

This will be a truly alternative curriculum that will empower students, promote teamwork, collaboration & for some even a qualification!

Keep following to watch the transformation over the coming months & the ordinary become the EXTRAordinary!



We are looking forward to welcoming all students back on Monday 15 April 2024 (Week A)



**UPCOMING EVENTS
IN THE
UCC MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

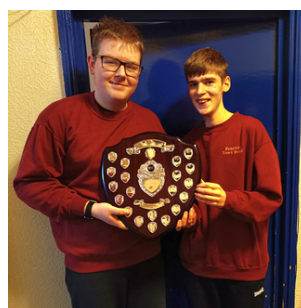
- Thursday 1 February 2024
Year 9 Trip to Liverpool
- Friday 22 March 2024
"Band Night"
- Thursday 18 April 2024
Theatre by the Lake Trip
- Thursday 11 July 2024
Summer Concert

british music experience

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Congratulations to Elliott & Will, who are not only UCC GCSE students, but also valued members of Penrith Town Band. They recently made headlines when they got through to the England Brass Band National Championship Finals in Cheltenham! Well done both - and everyone involved - Good luck for September!



REMINDER Extra curricular music clubs will restart Monday 22 April 2024

On Thursday 29 February we welcomed BAFTA award winning script writer Phil Mealey to UCC!

Phil gave a talk to Year 8 about his career, working in TV & how to develop narratives & characters in scripts. This was followed by a script writing masterclass in the afternoon to 35 students. He even brought in his BAFTA for us to hold & have photos with!!

An amazing day for all involved, Miss Slattery was super proud of all students involved - and huge thanks to Phil, we hope you come back to visit us soon!

DRAMA



**DON'T
FORGET!**

The Year 9 Drama Club moves after Easter from Wednesday lunchtime to a Monday lunchtime.

Dutch Visitors

Tuesday 27 February 2024

In late February we hosted 44 Dutch students from Beatrix College in the Netherlands, as part of an ongoing partnership.

They studied with our Year 9 students; playing sports, creating art, explaining and re-writing English and Dutch song lyrics and writing poems!



Our sixth form ASDAN students have been working on their Community Action module by working with Cumbria Wildlife Trust. They

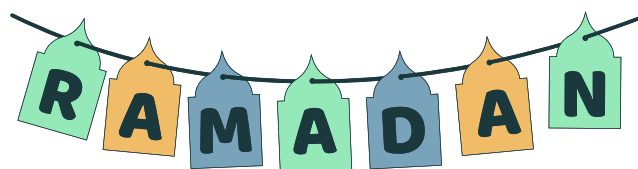


planted Rowans, Silver Birch & Oak (all donated by the tree nursery at Wild Haweswater) to help encourage the wildlife to the new Cold Springs Nature reserve, making this community resource a special place for both humans & wildlife. Well done!



Panathlon

We took 16 students from Years 7, 8 & 9 to Penrith Leisure Centre to compete in a Panathlon event against KSGS & AGS earlier this month. The timed games involved floor curling, skittles bowling, mini basketball, bean bag darts & table tennis. The two UCC teams were excellent competitors & all came away with runners up medals & looking forward to the next event!



Year 10 Child Development students have enjoyed learning about equality, diversity & inclusion this term, with the help of a range of books, all available in our amazing school library!



This year in the UK, Ramadan began on the evening of Sunday 10 March & concludes Monday 8 April 2024.

For anyone that isn't aware, during the month of Ramadan many Muslims don't eat or drink during the hours of daylight.

This included some of our students & we were proud to support them by providing a prayer space that they could use every lunchtime.

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A couple of weeks ago some of our students set about to complete Ullswater Way. The 22 mile walk was part of their fundraising for their trip to South Africa later this year.

It was an incredible achievement for all involved, some of the students had never even been on the fells before! A huge thank you to all the staff, parents & sponsors for your support!



Year 8 & 9 Update

It has been another very busy half term for the Year 8 & 9s & the Easter holidays will provide them all with a well earned rest! The Year 9s options have now been finalised & the year group can start to really look forward to the challenges of their GCSE & equivalent courses. Both year groups have really enjoyed & benefitted from another excellent careers fair where the students had the opportunity to speak with & find information out about lots of local further education providers & local businesses. It was wonderful to be amongst such a mature & focused group of students. In terms of attitude at school both year groups have cumulatively exceeded 160,000+ positive ATL's meaning lots of students have gained Gold, Diamond & Platinum awards which were handed out this week - what a brilliant effort.

Further to the efforts in the classroom, it is wonderful to see so many students positively engaging in other aspects of school. From completing the Ullswater Way 22 mile walk in preparation for the forthcoming South Africa summer sports tour, to performances in dance shows, music festivals, representing the school on the sports stage, eco-council, school council, school library - the list is endless.

In short - another brilliant half term at UCC. I am super proud of both the year groups & I wish you all a very happy Easter. **Mr M Castle**

Lead by Year 13 UPS students Tegan & Ella, all these amazing young women have signed up to take on the Born Survivor challenge in September. Autumn, Coral, Chloe, Neve, Freya, Olivia, Lily, Aimee, Ella, Rose & Mr Bellamy(!) will take on 10km of mud, hills & 30+ Royal Marines obstacles. Charity TBC. Let training commence!



U13 Hockey Team sUCCess

The team won the Northern Hockey Tournament in January which meant that they progressed to the county rounds. Coming 2nd place in the county, just losing out to Sedbergh, meant that they qualified through to the regionals in the North West Hockey Finals at Manchester High School for Girls. The girls should be really proud at reaching such a high level of play & their resilience throughout the competition was commendable. They embraced all aspects of the day & proudly represented UCC as the only state school in the finals.



U16 County Cup Football Semi Final

UCC footballers were victorious in the County Cup semi final against Keswick school last week, winning the game 2-1.

The boys were magnificent & relentless in their effort. Goals from Noah & Will, players of the match to Jett & Jack - well done all!

Let training for the final commence!

U18 County Cup Football Final

The first team footballers produced a magnificent display to win UCC's **first ever** County Cup!

Trinity started the game much brighter with some confident football, testing the UCC back line on several occasions, frustratingly the first goal came after a great chance for UCC to take the lead from a corner. A quick & clinical counter attack from Trinity put them 1-0 ahead. This lead was then doubled & UCC were struggling to keep up with the pace of the game.

Thankfully, just before half time Bruce scored a brilliant goal, lifting the ball over the advancing goalkeeper to halve the deficit. This gave UCC a much-needed boost going into the second half. They started to show composure on the ball & play to their strengths. Chances were coming thick & fast from both wings with the speed of Lucas, Alex & Kai a constant threat. The calmness of Isaac at centre back spread through the team & allowed the pressure to build on Trinity. Surprisingly, the equalising goal came from an ambitious run into the box from centre back Jake, who managed to beat 4 defenders & then place the ball past the goalkeeper with a brilliant solo goal. The game finished 2-2, with UCC in the ascendency. Extra time was to be played & despite the players being exhausted, UCC's outstanding midfield three of Kai, Bruce & Noah worked tirelessly & stopped Trinity's danger men from creating any clear-cut chances. Then man of the moment Noah, stepped up with a spectacular half volley from 30 yards out with the ball rising into the top left hand corner of the net, sending the team into jubilation. A fitting goal to win such a great game of football. The boys have been brilliant on this cup run, coming up against some excellent opponents. Every single player made a huge contribution. Congratulations team, you did the school, your families and each other proud!



Congratulations to UCC's Equestrian Team who finished in 1st place at the NSEA event at Greenlands Equestrian Centre recently!

This qualifies the Team to enter the NSEA National County Championship at Hickstead in May. Individually these UCC students performed brilliantly: Sophie placed 4th after lovely clear rounds & Gracie placed 6th in the 70cm Showjumping.

Lo, Gracie & Sophie also competed in the 80cm Showjumping: Sophie placed 5th, Lo 8th & Gracie 11th. Very well done all!

UCC Equestrian Team



Year 10 Rugby County Plate Winners 2024

The Year 10 rugby team set off to play in what should've been the County Plate Final – but unfortunately, the opposition school pulled out of the fixture meaning our team were crowned Champions by default.

Not the way we would've chosen it but the journey this team have been on for the last 4 years has been outstanding, they have developed & progressed into a really tight knit team who work incredibly hard for each other. They approach & play every game with an incredible work ethic & an unrivalled level of sportsmanship. They have been a real credit to the school & their families, they have been a privilege to work with.

Definite candidates for UCC's 'Team of the Year' !



Year 10 & 11 update

As another action-packed term comes to an end I wanted to take the opportunity to say well done to all the students in year 10 and 11 for everything they have put into it. The variety of opportunities for the students has been incredible, from field trips to Liverpool and Oxford, performing arts showcases, work experience and many sporting activities. The Year 10s major accomplishment was their incredibly successful week on work experience. This was the first time UCC has been able to get the work experience programme back up and running since COVID. The feedback we received about our students from so many of the companies was absolutely fantastic. The whole experience has been invaluable to the Year 10s and has given them that extra motivation to really work hard for the qualifications they need for their future aspirations.

The Year 11s have completed their last round of mock exams, feedback has been received from their teachers and now they know exactly what they need to do to prepare themselves for the summer exams. Achievement assemblies have been ongoing throughout the term and there have been so many outstanding success stories alongside the academic endeavours.

The next nine weeks are pivotal in the students GCSE success, hopefully they are able to embrace independent study and really organise their revision programme effectively. We are delighted that the vast majority have their 'next steps' in place, whether that is Sixth form, College or Apprenticeships, hopefully this will give the students that added motivation to really dedicate their time and energy into their revision.

They are a wonderful group of students who have endured a roller coaster of emotions and events in their time at UCC. I am confident they are going to meet this final challenge with resilience and determination as they have done over the last 5 years.

Have a great Easter, we look forward to seeing you back to school in April, ready & raring to go into the summer term.

Mr G Key

a Huge THANK YOU!

To all the companies, local and further afield, who recently sponsored UCC. We can't thank you enough! The generous donations have bought several new sports kits, as well as new equipment for the art department - all enriching the school experience of our students!

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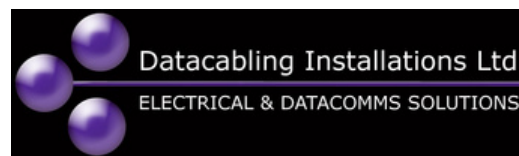


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Our PE department would also like to say a huge thank you to the businesses that are helping to make the trip to South Africa possible this summer. Their donations have bought all the necessary kit as well as sponsoring the programme of events whilst we're out there!



COMING SOON



24-25 Apr - GCSE Art Exam
1-3 May - A level Art Exam
Thurs 25 Apr - Year 12 Parents' Evening
Wed 1 May - Year 8 HPV Vaccines
Mon 6 May - Bank Holiday
Tues 7 May - Summer Exams begin
Fri 24 May - Last day of half term



<https://ullswatercc.co.uk/calendar/>

We are looking forward to welcoming all students back on Monday 15 April 2024 (Week A)



Westmorland
& Furness
Council

Free school meals and clothing vouchers

Apply online to see if your child or children can get free school meals and clothing vouchers. In certain circumstances free school meals are available to families with no recourse to public funds.

Qualifying for free school meals and school clothing vouchers

Benefits you receive

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit - Provided you're **not** also entitled to Working Tax Credit. Also your annual gross income of **no more** than £16,190.
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit - if your household income is less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Apply for free school meals and school clothing vouchers

If you already get free school meals and clothing grants you do not need to apply for each school year.

➔ [Apply for free school meals and school clothing vouchers](#)

- Where possible all parents and guardians should apply online. You will need to register on the Citizen Portal to do this. If you apply online you will receive an immediate response telling you if you are eligible for the vouchers.
- If you are unable to apply online please contact the free school meals team - telephone: **0300 373 3300**.

<https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals-and-clothing-vouchers>



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