

## **ELLESMERE PORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Information Regarding Year 11**

We have now reached a crucial milestone in your child's education as they embark on their final few months of working towards their GCSE's. As a school our role is to support our students in achieving their very best and, to enable this to happen, we have carefully considered how we can help all of our students to meet or exceed their targets in each subject. We are also looking forward to celebrating the end of key stage 4 and our time together at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School.

Please note that Pre-Public examinations begin the week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

### **Support Programme**

Masterclasses have been ongoing in school since September; these remain to take place right up until the final examination.

Below is a timetable of the after school intervention sessions available to your child:

Tuesday 3-4pm	Wednesday 3-4pm	Thursday 3-4pm	Friday 3-4pm
English & Science	Mathematics	Religious Education	Foreign Languages

Other subject areas offer before school and lunchtime revision sessions.

Where progress in a subject is deemed to be of concern, these masterclass sessions may become compulsory. You will be contacted by the subject teacher and notified of the compulsory sessions by letter.

### **Year 11 Study Leave arrangements**

The start of formal examinations in 2019 will be the week commencing **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019.** Rather than sending students home for 'study leave' for the final seven weeks or more of the academic year, it is our responsibility to ensure that as far as possible students are formally taught, have access to their teachers and are provided with targeted revision right up to the moment of their examinations, thereby maximising their chances of success. **Students will be required to be in school and attend all lessons up until their final examination. If students have completed all examinations in that subject they are still to attend every timetabled lesson and bring along revision materials with them.** There may be occasions where additional time with subject staff will be available for students to attend, for example, for an afternoon examination; wherever possible, students will be timetabled to attend morning sessions in the relevant subject(s), and for morning examinations these lessons may be timetabled for the previous afternoon. Additional information regarding this will be shared with you closer to the time.









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Please note that some examinations – for example Art, 3D design, practical element of GCSE PE, Oral examination in Modern Foreign Languages will begin sooner than 13<sup>th</sup> May.

Students will stop attending school only when they have sat their last GCSE examination.

### Parents' Evening

There will be an opportunity to discuss your son's/daughter's PPE results at our Year 11 Progress Evening on **Thursday 28**<sup>th</sup> **March 2019**.

### Year 11 Leavers Mass and leavers Assembly

This will be a celebration of your son's/daughter's time at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School where we will be able to share memories and significant achievements.

Mass takes place on Friday 10th May 2019 as part of the school day.

Assembly will take place on **Friday 14**<sup>th</sup> **June** in the afternoon following on from their final examination in the morning.

All parents are warmly invited to attend both events.

### **Year 11 Prom and Expectations**

We would like to invite all Year 11 students to our end-of-year Prom, which will be held on **Friday 21**<sup>st</sup> **June 2019 at Doubletree Hotel and Spa in Chester**. The event will provide an ideal opportunity for students to remember their time with us here at the school and enjoy a post-examination celebration.

Please note that should a student's behaviour prior to the event be unacceptable, your son/daughter will not be allowed to attend the Prom.

#### GCSE Results Day 2019 and Sixth Form Registration

GCSE results will be published on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019**. Students will be invited to attend and collect these in the main school hall from 9.00am. This will also provide an opportunity for students to register their place in our Sixth Form.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Jones

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