

# **Ellesmere Port Catholic High School**

Wk. 1

## PARENT BULLETIN

30th Nov 2020

Our Vision...

Strong Catholic ethos.

Our Vision...

Ensuring every child is known.

Our Vision...

High expectations of everyone.

Our Vision...
Excellent teaching.

Dear Lord,

Fill our lives with joy.
Fill our lives with love.
Fill our lives with peace.

We give thanks to you for the gift of life. Give us the courage to live it to the full.

Amen.

Our Vision...

Excellent leadership at all levels.

Our Vision...

Exemplary behaviour and personal standards.

Our Vision...

At the heart of the community.

Our Vision...

Keeping children safe in education.



## Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are all well.

On Thursday we have our Year 9 Parents Evening which we are looking forward to.

We are also looking forward to our upcoming Advent Services and Reflection which start this week.

Advent means 'Coming' in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world. Christians use the four Sundays and weeks of Advent to prepare and remember the real meaning of Christmas.

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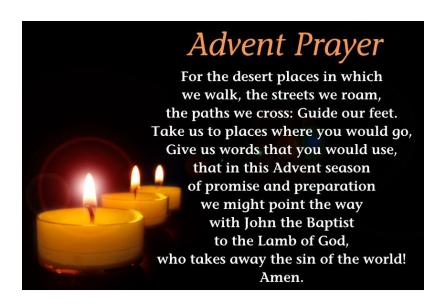
## What do the four weeks of Advent represent?

Within the Advent wreath are candles that generally represent the four weeks of the Advent season as well as "the light of God coming into the world through the birth of Jesus Christ" although each of the candles can be attributed its own significance as well;

- The Prophets' Candle, symbolizing hope; the Bethlehem Candle, symbolizing faith; the Shepherds'
   Candle, symbolizing joy; the Angel's Candle, symbolizing peace.
- Hope—Peace—Joy—Love.

## What is the order of the Advent candles?

Three candles are purple or blue and one is rose or pink. The first candle represents hope. The second candle peace. The pink candle, generally lit on the third Sunday of Advent, represents joy.



Thank you for your ongoing support.

Have a restful weekend.

MrsVíle

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## **Notifications**

### Engineering in Action ONLINE Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 2021

We are delighted to announce the return of our popular Engineering in Action enrichment programme for KS5 students. In response to tremendous demand, and because we know timetabling is a particular struggle this year, Engineering in Action will take place ONLINE as a special half-day programme on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2021.

Join award-winning Structural Engineer Roma Agrawal to discover the recipe for a skyscraper, and find out how to engineer a spacesuit with Dr Jackie Bell (who you may have seen as a contestant on BBC's "Astronauts: Do you have what it takes"). With one more session to announce plus a special panel session "I'm an Engineer, ask me anything", we have an unmissable programme planned for your students. Don't miss out!

Tickets to join us online are priced at £8 plus VAT each (each student will require a ticket). The programme can be viewed at school or at home, broadcast in a class/hall or accessed on on individual computers, and if timetabling is a real struggle the recording can be viewed for up to a week after the event.

#### **Book now**

#### Mr Hickman

#### Year 7 Poster Competition

Drama would like to announce the winners of the year 7 poster competition that was held before half term:

Catherine Morris 7B India-Mai French 7k Sophia Jayne 7O Melissa Lyth 7O Charlie Jones 7L

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These students have been picked by our 6th form subject leaders as the posters that stood out to them the most. Well done to everyone for creating amazing posters, they are now on our classroom walls.

Please call into Drama for your prizes.

# Mrs Kennedy-McGill

#### Report Cards

Report cards will be going out to all years on email and in the parent App on Monday. If there are any queries, please email <a href="mailto:Admin@epchs.co.uk">Admin@epchs.co.uk</a>

# Mrs Hughes

#### • Sixth Form INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

## **An Apprenticeship Takeover**



The final event in the #WhatNext series is 'An Apprenticeship Takeover', organised by The Pledge Partnership for Cheshire & Warrington, Ask Apprenticeships and The Young Apprentice Ambassador Network (YAAN) and is taking place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 6pm – 8pm. This event is free and open to all within Cheshire and Warrington especially those in Year 9 – Year 13 including parents/carers.

The Apprenticeship Takeover is a great opportunity to hear about what an Apprenticeship is, what employers are looking for and to hear from many apprentices currently working and studying in Cheshire and Warrington. Students can watch a series of videos and take part in

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our Live Chat function which is fully moderated allowing them to ask questions safely and directly to employers and education providers during the live event.

To register and for more information, please visit: <a href="https://learnliveuk.com/partner/what-next-apprenticeships/">https://learnliveuk.com/partner/what-next-apprenticeships/</a>

Please register prior to the event.

# Wrexham Glyndwr University - Healthcare Professions Event

Wrexham Glyndwr University are providing an opportunity to speak to academics within the Allied Health Professions.

On <u>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December</u>, they are holding a face to face event for Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Nursing. All details are in the link below:

https://www.glyndwr.ac.uk/en/Howtoapply/VisitGlyndwrUniversity/CampusVisit/?utm\_so\_urce=Facebook&utm\_medium=social&utm\_campaign=SocialSignIn

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If demand is high, there are provisions in place to replicate the event on different dates/times which will be communicated to interested parties.

### North West Science Network Twilight Talk Series

The second of the **North West Science Network (NWSN) Twilight Talk Series** is set to launch on **Wednesday 2nd December.** 

For their second talk of the series, Dr Tim Ward, recalls his days of growing up in Salford, doing badly at school and suffering set back after set back to become one of the World's experts in Cancer research...and then fate played an ironic blow.

The <u>talk will be available on the Corpus Christi YouTube channel from Wednesday 2nd</u>
<u>December</u> and his <u>live Q&A will take place on the 9th December 5-6 pm.</u>

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Please register by using the link below. The talk will take place via Microsoft Teams. Event details will be sent via email nearer to the time.

Register here <a href="https://forms.gle/ZW6tNBab8rGfD3RE8">https://forms.gle/ZW6tNBab8rGfD3RE8</a>

# **Virtual Subject Sessions at Northumbria University**

Northumbria University are offering a series of 'virtual subject events' starting on  $\underline{\mathbf{1}^{st}}$   $\underline{\mathbf{December.}}$  They are a fantastic opportunity to get a real taste of university study.

Details of the sessions are listed below, with the associated link to allow students to sign up.

Sport Coaching - Are champions born or made?

Date: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Time: 12:00-12:50

Sign-up here: https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125v2NqXtkN

**English Literature** - Offensive Shakespeare

Date: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Time: 12:00-13:00

Sign-up here: <a href="https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125x60HdaQi">https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125x60HdaQi</a>

Maths - Complex, not so complex!

Date: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 12:00-13:00

Sign-up here: <a href="https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125D0jUsrVu">https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125D0jUsrVu</a>

Music - Page to performance
Date: Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 12:30-13:00

Sign-up here: <a href="https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125dQXnsHBS">https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125dQXnsHBS</a>

**English Language and Linguistics** - World Englishes (A Review and Reflect Session)

Date: Friday 11th December

Time: 12:00-13:00

Sign-up here: <a href="https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU01256qgOxb11">https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU01256qgOxb11</a>

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**English Literature - From Austen to Austenland: Representing the Regency (LIMITED SPACES)** 

Date: Recorded session followed by a live seminar session in early 2021 (date tbc)

Time: See above

Sign-up here: https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125hhd9z2bZ

English Literature - Money, Modernity and the American Dream in F. Scott Fitzgerald's The Great

Gatsby (1925) (LIMITED SPACES)

Date: Recorded session followed by a live seminar session in early 2021 (date tbc)

Time: See above

Sign-up here: <a href="https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125S3yYhgc8">https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/FOEU0125S3yYhgc8</a>

# King's College London Geography Taster Day

On <u>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</u>, the Geography Department at King's College London will be holding a virtual Taster Day for any students interested in Geography at University. This will offer any interested students a taster of what studying Geography at University is like. There will be a mix of recorded and live sessions. There will be lectures focused on natural hazards and digital platforms in cities, along with an activity combining these elements to understand how Digital Geography communication can be used to improve information around natural hazards. There will also be opportunities to interact and ask questions with KCL students and staff.

Students can register here for this event.

Mrs Boothroyd