

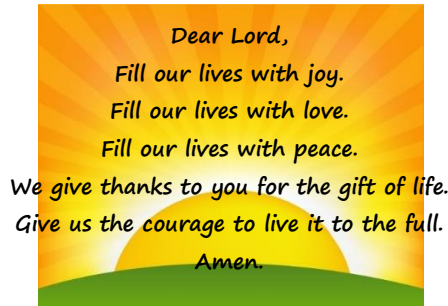


**Our Vision...**  
Excellent teaching.

**Our Vision...**  
Strong Catholic ethos.

**Our Vision...**  
Exemplary behaviour and personal standards.

**Our Vision...**  
Ensuring every child is known.



**Our Vision...**  
At the heart of the community.

**Our Vision...**  
High expectations of everyone.

**Our Vision...**  
Excellent leadership at all levels.

**Our Vision...**  
Keeping children safe in education.



## Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are all well.

As of Monday pupils in secondary schools will no longer be required to wear face coverings in the classroom or communal areas. It is a move that we are sure our students will welcome and we have been impressed by how well they have adhered to all our health and safety procedures across the school. If any students are still anxious, we will support them in their decision to continue wearing a face covering in the short term. The full guidance can be found by clicking this link: [Face coverings in education](#)

Have a lovely weekend and take care.

*Mrs Vile*

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### *Notifications*

- Attendance Update

## **WHOLE SCHOOL WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

93.2%

## **TOP YEAR GROUPS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

KS3: Year 7 – 94%

KS4: Year 10 -92.8%

KS5: Year 13 -96%

## **BEST FORM WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

KS3: Year 7 Oscar 99.5%

KS4: Year 10 Katherine 97.2%

KS5: Year 13 Josephine 99.3%

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## FORM WEEKLY ATTENDANCE %

Year 7	%	Year 8	%	Year 9	%	Year 10	%	Year 11	%	Year 12	%	Year 13	%
7A	92.4	8A	90	9A	87.5	10A	91.2	11A	90	12B	96	13A	98.2
7B	88.1	8B	92.9	9B	94.3	10B	92.4	11B	94.8	12K	98.5	13J	99.3
7J	93.5	8J	92	9J	96.5	10J	93.1	11J	84.2	12O	89.8	13L	89
7K	92.1	8K	94.3	9K	95.2	10K	97.2	11K	94.8				
7M	94.5	8M	90.6	9M	89	10M	94.1	11M	92.5				
7L	97.8	8O	98.8	9O	93.4	10O	92.2	11O	93.8				
7O	99.5	8T	94.6	9T	87.7	10T	88	11T	91.6				
7T	93.7												

- **Face Coverings in Cheshire West and Chester Schools**

The Prime Minister has announced that from the Monday 17th May 2021 pupils in secondary schools will no longer be required to wear face coverings in the classroom or communal areas. Due to Cheshire West and Chester (CWAC) currently experiencing the lowest rates since the start of the pandemic the local authority are happy to confirm that they are supportive of this position at this time. The advice will continue to be reviewed fortnightly though and may change should there be an increase in rates across the area, as seen in other parts of the North West. Alongside this, local advice to reintroduce face coverings may be provided to individual schools by Public Health in response to geographical or setting based outbreaks.

The guidance continues to advise staff and visitors to wear face coverings when in communal areas of all school settings. Pupils and staff should also continue to wear face coverings when travelling on public and school transport. CWAC are also supportive of continuing to advise parents to wear face coverings when dropping off and picking up their children outside school due to ongoing concerns about the inability to socially distance in some areas.

All other control measures remain in place.

If you have any queries, please let me know.

*Mr C Jones*

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- **Packed Lunches**

Pre - ordered packed lunches are available each day. They include a sandwich, wrap, baguette or a pasta salad box. A cookie, tray bake or muffin, a flavoured water. I also include FOC a piece of fruit. The cost of this is £2.50.

There are other items on the form that can be purchased at an additional price.

We are also running a mid-morning break selling bacon rolls, iced finger rolls, croissant and drinks. Please ensure that your young person has enough funds to purchase at both break and lunch time.

A reminder that we have a breakfast club from 8.00 - 8.40am. During this time students can enjoy some free toast. There are also bacon rolls, hash browns, croissants, fruit and drinks.

If you would like to discuss any dietary or allergen matters with me please contact me [l.mcdougall@epchs.co.uk](mailto:l.mcdougall@epchs.co.uk)

*Mrs McDougall*

- **SIXTH FORM INFORMATION & GUIDANCE**

### **UK UNIVERSITY AND APPRENTICESHIP SEARCH VIRTUAL FAIR - WEDNESDAY 16TH JUNE**

**UK University and Apprenticeship Search** are holding a **free Virtual Fair on Wednesday 16th June, 12pm to 6pm**. A wide range of **Universities, Colleges and Apprenticeship providers** will be taking part. You can explore virtual exhibition stands; have live chats with Admissions Officers, Student Ambassadors, academics and recruitment teams; view virtual campus tours, prospectuses and information and take part in 10 live interactive webinars in the auditorium. For more information or to register go to <https://ukunisearchnorth.vfairs.com/>

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### **UNIFROG: EXPLORE BUSINESS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF LAW: MONDAY 17TH May @ 5PM**

This talk will introduce you to career paths across Business and the skills required. It includes a practical taster session around Talent Management and Leadership as well as a Q&A with a Business professional. To register, go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars>

### **UNIFROG: LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITIES WEBINAR: TUESDAY 18TH MAY @ 6PM**

Join the five Liverpool area based Universities for this talk celebrating studying in the city. Hear from staff and students about student life and the different opportunities Liverpool has to offer. To register, go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars>

### **NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY - VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS – 16TH AND 19TH June**

Newcastle University are holding two virtual open days on **Wed 16th June, 4pm-7pm** and **Saturday 19th June, 10am-1pm**. During the open days, you will be able to join **live Q&A sessions; chat online with academics and current students; enjoy a live tour of the campus**; find out more about student services such as **accommodation, health and well-being and student finance**; speak to the Admissions Team and find out if you may be **eligible for a lower entry offer**; download videos and materials to view after the event. To register go to <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/study/meet/virtual-open-day/>

### **UNIFROG: RESULTS DAY AND CLEARING: 'KNOW-HOW' GUIDES**

Unifrog have collaborated with a group of UK Universities to create 7 'Know-how' library guides to help navigate you through Results Day and Clearing. To access them go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/know-how/results-day-and-clearing>

### **UCAS DISCOVERY DAYS – ON DEMAND UNTIL 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

Although the live events have now happened, the **UCAS/DISCOVERY** days are on-demand until 4 June. You can still sign up to watch seminars on student essentials, including

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subject-specific sessions, applying to university and student finance; pick up prospectuses and check out over 100 UK universities; get inspiration and explore different career opportunities; understand if an apprenticeship is right for you and contact course experts. To register go to <https://www.ucas.com/events/demand-until-4-june-ucasdiscovery-388981>

### **THE PLEDGE – ADULT SOCIAL CARE CAREERS INSIGHT DAY – 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

A reminder that on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**, The Pledge are hosting an **Adult Social Care Careers Insight Day**. You can book onto this event at <https://adultsocialcareinsightday.eventbrite.co.uk>

### **INVESTIN STEM AND MEDICINE SUMMER INTERNSHIPS**

**A reminder that InvestIN** are holding a series of **virtual and face-to-face STEM and Medicine internships** this summer. There is no application process: there is however a cost to take part. With the face-to-face internships you will also have to factor in the cost of accommodation and travel as they are taking place in London. **Bursaries are available for those students that meet certain criteria**. For more information, go to <https://investin.org/collections/stem-summer-internships-ages-15-18>

*Mrs Boothroyd*

- **Mrs McHugh's Library News**

It has been a very busy week in the library! It has been a pleasure to see so many students using the library to read for pleasure, complete their homework and attend clubs such as After School Reading, the Brilliant Club, the Games2Design Club (a project run by Cambridge University and 4wardfutures) and the Equality and Diversity Group.

As this week is mental health awareness week, we have been signposting our students to resources which can support them with their mental health in the school library and in their local library too. The Reading Well scheme provides advice to 13 to 18 year olds about issues like anxiety, stress and OCD, and difficult experiences like bullying.

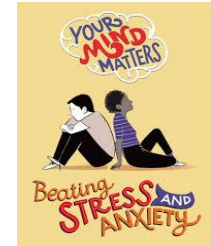
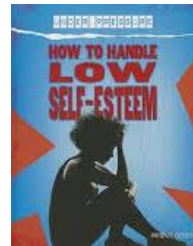
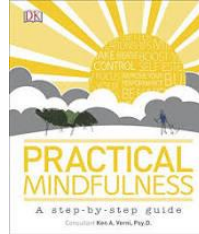
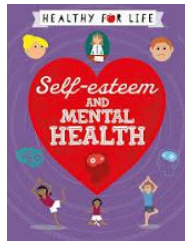
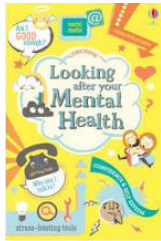
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### **Reading is more important than ever!**

After a year of virtual school and pandemic stress reading has become ***a much-needed escape.***

UNESCO has recently undertaken a study on the link between reading children's literature and wellbeing. They found that "reading stories, especially fantasy, is a "social vaccination" against all the restrictions ***because they help children find a way to exit what COVID-19 put into play.***" Fictitious worlds can also help children deal with real-life problems and promote wellbeing. Books can help children handle tough times and help them process their emotions through a story and its characters. With this in mind, the books which made me smile this week are both from #1 *New York Times* best-selling author Kate DiCamillo.

**Recommend these books to your children...they will not be disappointed!**



*Twelve year old Rob is grieving, lonely and anxious but when Rob meets a new friend Sistine, he discovers memories and heartache cannot be locked up forever.*



*A laugh-out-loud story filled with eccentric, endearing characters and featuring an exciting new format—a novel interspersed with comic-style graphic sequences and full-page illustrations. If you enjoyed reading the book, try watching the recently released film on Disney Plus. Check out the trailer on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=05F8MmsiLQs>*

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## Word Count - Super Stars – 05/05/21 - 13/05/2021

Beth Hill 90,766, Nathaniel Wiseman 79,963, Lexie Rickett, 39,847, Kaysi Fissenden 33,056, Molly Smith 28,326, Alex Gregerson 23,843, James Michael 20,165, Georgia McDowell 10,520, Lewis Troisi 6,365, Imogen Collins-Bell 6,205.



## Quiz and Reading Super Stars – 05/05/21 - 13/05/2021

Erin McLaughlin, Olivia Price, Sienna Tidd, Grace Taylor, Antek Manthey, Davide Alexandrescu, Harry Walker, Logan Bridge, Alexandra Robinson.

Happy reading to parents and students alike!

*Mrs McHugh*

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