

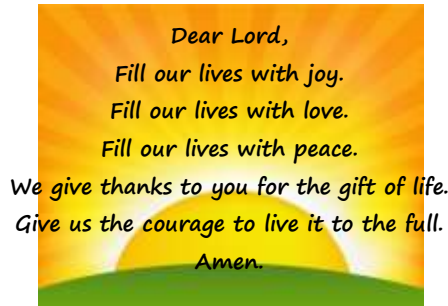


**Our Vision...**  
Excellent teaching.

**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.

We look forward to the last week in school next week for our Year 11s and 13s. It has been an extraordinary year but we are glad that our students will get to enjoy the usual events before they leave. Please see further details below from Mr Parrin.

Have a lovely weekend and take care.

*Mrs Vile*

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### *Notifications*

- Attendance Update

## WHOLE SCHOOL WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

91.8%

## TOP YEAR GROUPS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

KS3: Year 7 – 93.8%

KS4: Year 10 -91.8%

KS5: Year 13 -95.7%

## BEST FORM WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

KS3: Year 7 Andre 98.8%

KS4: Year 9 Andre 97.4%

KS5: Year 13 Josephine 98.6%

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## FORM WEEKLY ATTENDANCE %

Year 7	%	Year 8	%	Year 9	%	Year 10	%	Year 11	%	Year 12	%	Year 13	%
7A	98.8	8A	91.4	9A	97.4	10A	91.4	11A	82.5	12B	94	13A	94.5
7B	90	8B	92.3	9B	94.6	10B	92.1	11B	96.5	12K	97.7	13J	98.6
7J	95.7	8J	95.2	9J	91.9	10J	90.8	11J	82	12O	87.5	13L	93
7K	93.3	8K	93.4	9K	91.4	10K	96.3	11K	89.2				
7M	91.8	8M	85	9M	87.8	10M	93.9	11M	89.6				
7L	91.7	8O	95.4	9O	95.8	10O	88.8	11O	90				
7O	96.4	8T	95.7	9T	83	10T	88.2	11T	85.6				
7T	93.												

- **Year 11 Key Dates**

We are almost there, and our amazing Year 11 cohort have almost completed their Key Stage 4 studies. Please find the remaining key dates for Year 11 below:

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Prom Bake Sale**

The prom committee will be hosting a bake sale to raise additional funds for this year's prom. Students will be able to find the stalls next to both outdoor catering pods. If students could bring some change in on this day, they will be able to enjoy some fantastic baked treats at a very reasonable price.

### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Final Day**

Year 11 will need to attend their final day in full school uniform as they will not have games on this day.

Students will enjoy their usual lessons in the morning and should treat this morning as a typical school day. In the afternoon, students will be registered in their period 4 classrooms and then be invited to the canteen where they can utilise this time to socialise with their peers and sign their school shirts.

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We would like all students, who wish to have their shirt signed, to bring in a spare shirt; they will not be permitted to have the shirt they are wearing signed.

### **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Leavers' Mass and Assembly**

Following the lifting of restrictions, Year 11 will be welcomed back for their final assembly and Mass as a Year 11 cohort. The school community want to celebrate the journey Year 11 have made and to wish them luck for the future. This final opportunity to say goodbye to the school is important for both staff and students and will need to be attended. We are also asking Year 11 to attend these events in full school uniform. At the end of the assembly those present will receive their prom ticket.

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Class of 2021 Prom Night**

The school would like to invite students to arrive at school from 18.30pm onwards. This will provide parents/carers the opportunity to take photographs on the lawn.

The coach will depart at 19.10 and make its way to the Queen Hotel in Chester. All students will need to use this form of transport if they wish to enter the venue.

Following the evening's festivities, the coach will depart at 11.45pm and should arrive back in school at around 12.00am. Students will need to be collected before they are permitted to leave the site.

*Mr Parrin*

- **MAT or TMUA Exams**

**Y12 Students** in your school / college who may be considering applying to Oxford, Imperial, Durham, Warwick, Lancaster, and a small number of other Universities will most likely be asked to sit either the MAT or TMUA exams, held in November.

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In order to prepare them for the way in which they will need to think mathematically to be successful in these tests the AMSP has designed a 'Problem Solving Matters' course:

<https://amsp.org.uk/events/details/5216>

This course may also be suitable for current Y12 students who are thinking generally of applying to university to study Mathematics.

Full details can be found in the above link.

**Let Miss Smith know if you would be interested, and she can sign you up!**

*Miss Smith*

- EPCHS After School Clubs



**EPCHS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

	<b><u>MONDAY-</u></b>	Basketball- Year 10
	<b><u>TUESDAY-</u></b>	Girls Netball- Year 7 Boys Dodgeball- Year 10 Basketball- Year 11
	<b><u>WEDNESDAY-</u></b>	Boys Football- Year 7 Girls Netball- Year 8 Rounders- Year 9 Basketball- Year 9
	<b><u>THURSDAY-</u></b>	Girls Football- Year 7 Basketball- Year 8
	<b><u>FRIDAY-</u></b>	Basketball- Year 7

*Mr Cavanagh*

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- Anti-bullying tips – Cheshire Constabulary



**Anti-bullying Tips for Children & Youths**

Children and youths of all ages are welcome. This is a chance to sit down and talk freely to PCSO Ailsa Morris about any worries you may have about school or your home life. Refreshments will be available.

**Saturday 22nd May from 3pm - 5pm  
At Whitby Park**

**Community Policing Surgery**



- SIXTH FORM INFORMATION & GUIDANCE

### **BANGOR UNIVERSITY – VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS – 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE AND 10<sup>th</sup> JULY**

This will be a great way to get to know more about Bangor University. There will be videos and presentations to watch; 360 tours of the campus and accommodation and a live opportunity to talk to lecturers and other staff during the live chat session. To register, go to <https://www.bangor.ac.uk/openday>

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In addition, their 'Virtual Experience' is available to view at any time. Go to <https://www.bangor.ac.uk/virtual-experience/>

### **UNIFROG – EXPLORE CRIMINOLOGY WEBINAR – 24<sup>th</sup> MAY – 5PM**

Explore Criminology with The University of Law, the career paths across Criminology and the skills required. To register, go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars>

### **UNIFROG – APPRENTICESHIP PANEL – 25<sup>th</sup> MAY – 5PM**

Hear from current apprentices at Google, Morgan Stanley and The New Schools Network. Hear what it is really like to do an apprenticeship remotely; how apprenticeships prepare you for the world of work and what to consider when applying for one. To register, go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars>

### **UNIFROG – CV AND COVER LETTER WRITING MASTERCLASS – 26<sup>th</sup> MAY – 5PM**

Learn how to make your CV and Cover Letter stand out. Hear from two experts, Sarah Ward and Emma Rosen. To register, go to <https://www.unifrog.org/student/webinars>

### **UK UNIVERSITY AND APPRENTICESHIP SEARCH VIRTUAL FAIR - WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> 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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### **NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY - VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS – 16<sup>TH</sup> AND 19<sup>TH</sup> 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 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>

*Mrs Boothroyd*

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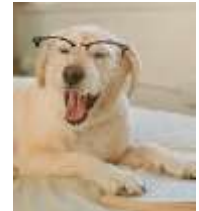
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- Mrs McHugh's Library News



## Mrs McHugh's Library News 21 May 2021



**Quote of the Week:** *Stories are light. Light is precious in a world so dark.* (**The Tale of Despereaux**)

I hope you have managed to read with your child this week and share in the wonder of reading! You may recall that I recommended two books by the international bestselling author, **Kate DiCamillo** last week (**Flora and Ulysses** and **The Tiger Rising**). Well, I can now share another of her books with you and hopefully entice you to read aloud with your child this week - **The Tale of Despereaux** (a middle year's book), suitable for ages 12 and over.

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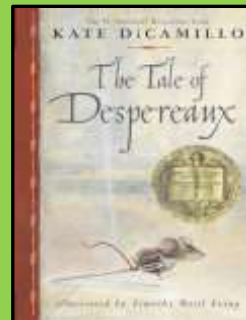


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Here are my reasons for recommending this book to parents and students alike:

- Sometimes you just need to escape into an imaginary world!
- The story is funny, uplifting and beautifully illustrated.
- There's some fantastic vocabulary in this book! My favourite word was "chiaroscuro" - a term used in art, for the use of strong contrasts between light and dark. Let's face it, we've all experienced some light and dark moments in the past 12 months!

Here's an example of a **chiaroscuro** painting by Giovanni Baglione.



"When we read together, we connect. Together, we see the world. Together, we see one another."

(Kate DiCamillo)

*The Tale of Despereaux* was made into a movie, so I like to read the book, then watch the film and compare and contrast them! I can guarantee though that **the book is always better!** Check out the trailer here:

<https://www.youtube.com/wat>

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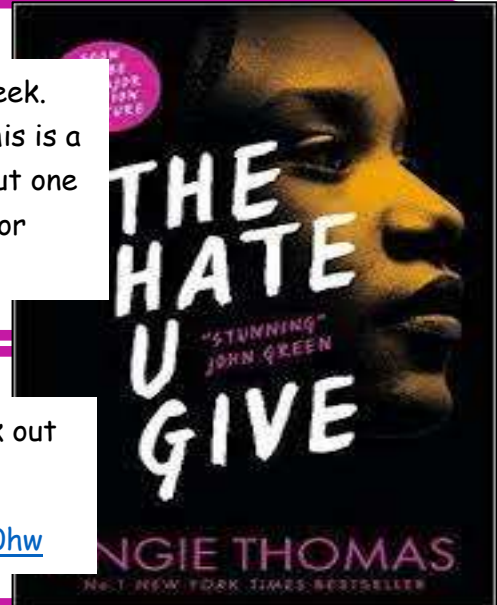


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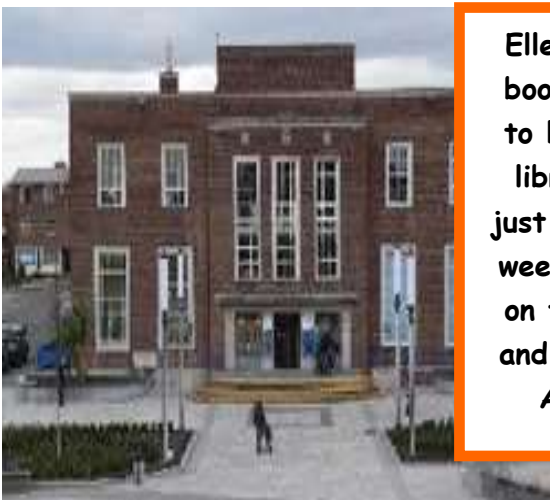
I've also been reading **The Hate U Give** this week. Inspired by the **Black Lives Matter** movement, this is a powerful and gripping Young Adult (YA) novel about one girl's struggle for justice. It is a must-read for students aged 14 and above!

**The Hate U Give** was also made into a film. Check out the link to see the trailer.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MM8OkVT0hw>



Both **The Tale of Despereaux** and **The Hate U Give** are available to loan in the school library or at the local Libraries in Ellesmere Port.



Ellesmere Port libraries also have an eBook/eAudio book service called BorrowBox. Books are available to loan on smartphones and tablets. Users need a library card and PIN number to join and it works just like library loans in that books are loaned for 3 weeks and can be renewed if no-one has put a hold on the book. Titles can be reserved if necessary, and the app can be downloaded from Play store for Android users and App Store for iPhone/iPad.



**Our reading superstars this week are:**



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Beth H 186,383 , Nathaniel W 156,301, Olivia B 118,933, Sophie D 93,164, Sebastian L 89,364, Isabelle L 83,272, Aaron T 66,408, Rosie P 30,980, Christian S 25,539, Anthony N 24,693, Kaysi F 10,594, Harshitha LP 8,265, Harry W 5,035.

Thank you for taking the time to read Mrs McHugh's Library news - I hope you enjoy reading my book suggestions this week!

**Happy reading to parents, students and staff alike! Enjoy your weekend read!**

*Mrs McHugh*

- **Live Well – Cheshire West E-News**

Please see our [May E-news for Live Well Cheshire West](#)

In this e-news you can find:

- Our published Live Well Cheshire West Annual Report
- Update on how the Perceived Gaps Report will be reviewed and how to tell us about gaps in services
- Tell us what you think and join our new Live Well Cheshire West Focus Group

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