



Our Vision...

Excellent teaching.

Our Vision...

Strong Catholic ethos.

Our Vision...

Ensuring every child is known.

Our Vision...

High expectations of everyone.

*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,

Thank you for your ongoing support.

There have been some excellent achievements this week in terms of sporting events, and we are always encouraging our students to try one of our many extra-curricular activities (see timetables below and on the school website).

Just a reminder as well that next Friday (26th November) is INSET Day.

Have a lovely weekend and take care.

Mrs Vile

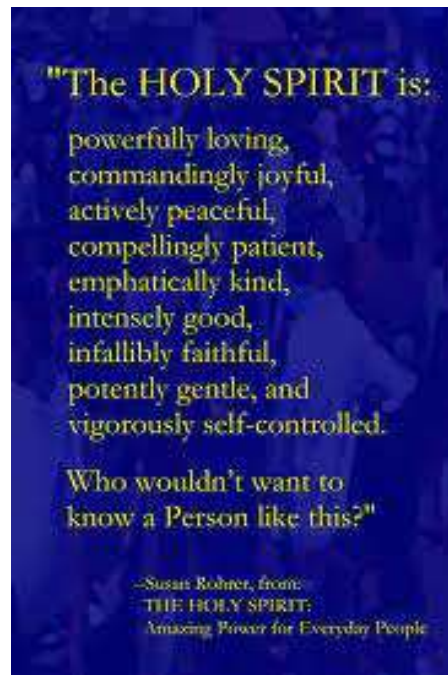
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Notifications

- **Year 7 20p Charity Collection**

Year 7 are having a 20p charity collection to raise funds for Cancer Research - our chosen charity for the year. Could all year 7 students bring in as many 20ps as they can find which will be used to fill Smartie tubes? The form with the most filled Smartie tubes will be the winner. This collection will run from Monday 22.11.21 till Friday 26.11.21.

Mrs Wright

- **Royal Society of Chemistry Top of the Bench Competition 2021**

Well done to our team of gifted chemists that took part in this challenging competition: Lucia Hart Y11, James Moray Y10, Sophie Dover Y9 and Eric Lightburn Y9. Prior to the event they produced an excellent presentation on 'Sustainability through Chemistry' and during they took part in a timed on-line practical and cryptic puzzle. They worked brilliantly together and completed the challenge well, excellent ambassadors for our school.

Miss Briggs

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- **Extra-curricular achievements**

It has been a fantastic week for extracurricular sport and physical activity. Yr. 7 & 8 girls have competed in Netball matches against Helsby High school, all pupils who took part represented the school well and had played a fantastic game, there was some brilliant development of skills that had been developed in lesson time and some promising defensive aspects to the game. Yr. 8 lost 8-3 and Yr. 7 won 4-0, well-done girls.

In Basketball this week we have also had some fantastic results. Yr. 10 boys played against South Wirral Yr. 11 boys, they played a brilliant game throughout creating plenty of opportunities to score points. The team successfully took another win at 43-20. Well played boys. The Yr. 9 boys team also displayed some amazing sporting skills this week with setting a high offensive record of the season with a high score of 47 points clear of Blacon High School.

Next week we have plenty more opportunities for pupils to demonstrate their sporting skills and represent EPCHS. On Tuesday 23rd November Yr. 7 & 8 will be competing in

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Netball against Whitby High School. They will also be competing against Bishops' Blue Coat High School on Wednesday the 24th.

Well done to all pupils who are involved with extracurricular sport and physical activity in the PE department. You are all amazing in what you do and represent EPCHS well. Keep up the good work.

Miss Lodge

- Year 11 PPE Timetable – 6th to 16th December

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations: Monday, 6th December – Thursday, 16th December 2021

Exam candidates must be in their seats by **09:00** and **13:00**. Candidates will be given their seat numbers, they are also on the EXAM NOTICE BOARD

Registration 08:45 - 09:00	Monday, 6 th December	Tuesday, 7 th December	Wednesday, 8 th December	Thursday, 9 th December	Friday, 10 th December	Monday, 13 th December	Tuesday, 14 th December	Wednesday, 15 th December	Thursday, 16 th December
Morning 09:00	English Literature (1h 45m)	Option A English Functional Skills Reading (1h) French Reading (1h) Music Technology Writing in D3 with FAN (2h) Option B – TIMETABLE CLASH! History Paper 1: 'People's Health and Elizabeth' (1h 45m) – 4M	Mathematics Paper 1 non- calculator (1h 30m)	English Language (1h 45m)	Mathematics Paper 2 calculator (1h 30m)	Option A Art Practical in E2 with THA (3h) Product Design Practical in D3 with TBA (3h) Option H Drama Practical in A1 with DKE (3h)	Mathematics Paper 3 calculator (1h 30m)	Combined Science - Physics (1h 10m) Separate Science Physics (1h 45m)	Option F! English Functional Skills Writing (1h) Option L Product Design Practical in D3 with TBA (3h) Option H – TIMETABLE CLASH! History Paper 2: 'America' (50m) – 6M
BREAK (11:00 – 11:15)	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons	Period 1 – normal lessons
LUNCH (12:15 – 13:00)	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
Afternoon 13:00	Option A/H/L Geography Paper 1 (1h 30m) History Paper 1: 'People's Health and Elizabeth' (1h 45m)	Combined Science - Biology (1h 10m) Separate Science Biology (1h 45m)	Option H Drama Writing (1h 45m) English Functional Skills Reading (1h) French Reading (1h) Health and Social Care (2h) Spanish Reading (1h)	Option A English Functional Skills Writing (1h) Music Technology Practical in D1 with FAN (2h)	Combined Science - Chemistry (1h 10m) Separate Science Chemistry (1h 45m)	Religious Education (50m)	Option L Business (1h 30m) Computer Science (1h 30m) French Reading (1h) Health and Fitness (1h) Physical Education (1h 30m) Spanish Reading (1h)	Option A/H/L Geography Paper 2 (1h) History Paper 2: 'America' (50m)	Option A/H/L French Writing (1h) Spanish Writing (1h)

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- **Relationship, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) Parent Consultation**

Dear Parent / Carer

During the academic year 2020/21, Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) became statutory in all secondary schools in England.

As a Catholic school, our mission is to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all of our pupils, rooted in the wisdom and teaching of the Church. The education of children in human sexuality is an important, precious and privileged responsibility. The Church teaches us that this is very much a partnership with parents, in which parents are the 'first educators' of their children on these matters; ultimately, you confer on us the right to co-educate your children with you.

To support the teaching of RSHE, in January 2021, we adopted **Life to the Full** by Ten:Ten Resources. Ten:Ten is an award-winning Catholic educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work.

Life to the Full has been approved by our diocese. Furthermore, Ten:Ten entered into a partnership with the Catholic Education Service and the Department for Education to provide training for teachers in Catholic schools on the subject of the new statutory curriculum which a number of our staff successfully completed.

Ten:Ten understand the foundational role that parents and guardians have in educating and nurturing their children on these matters. Through their online programme, they have built in resources which will not only keep you informed about what is being taught in school, but will also give you the opportunity to engage your children in discussion, activity and prayer.

To support our school further, we would therefore like to gather feedback on our approach. To this end, we have opened a consultation period during which we welcome your feedback.

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Ten:Ten have provided an online **Parent Consultation Tool**. This is a simple-to-follow, short online course which:

- Outlines the statutory changes that have taken place.
- Articulates a vision for Catholic Relationships and Health Education.
- Explains how Life to the Full aims to help us fulfil the statutory curriculum with a Catholic ethos.
- Provides some information about key decisions we make, in consultation with parents.
- Answers some Frequently Asked Questions.

Ten Ten have also provided an **Online Parent Portal** to aid this process and we will be using it throughout the year to keep you informed and updated about the work we are doing in school in relation to RSHE.

To take part in the consultation and feedback, please do the following:

- Read the Relationship and Sex Education Policy on our school website:
<https://epchs.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Relationships-Sex-Education-Policy.pdf>
- Read the RSHE Learning Journey for students at EPCHS:
<https://epchs.co.uk/rse-learning-map/>
- Access the Parent Portal here:
<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/online-parent-portal-secondary/>
- Access the Parent Consultation Tool here:
www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-consultation-secondary
- You will need the following login credentials for our school:
Username: **ellesmere-port-ch65**
Password: **boat-15-ch65**
- Undertake the Parent Consultation course provided.

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- Complete the following questionnaire:

<https://forms.office.com/r/YXEgdZBPci>

Alternatively scan the QR code for access to the questionnaire



- Send us your feedback by November 26th, 2021

If you wish to discuss any of the information shared or discuss RSHE at EPCHS please contact me either in school or via my email, M.Hughes@epchs.co.uk.

We hope that our approach assures you about our teaching of RSHE at EPCHS and we look forward to working with you over the coming year, as part of our Personal Development program.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Hughes
(Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development)

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- 2023-24 EPCHS Admissions Policy Consultation


In line with the statutory duty of admission authorities to consult on admissions arrangements, the Governing Body continue to invite comments which can be sent to Headteacher@epchs.co.uk

The consultation period will run for 6 weeks commencing 11th November 2021 to 23rd December 2021.

Mrs Lyth

- Extra-Curricular activities per year group

(Also available via our school website: <https://epchs.co.uk/extracurricular-activities/>)



Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45-9:00	Sensory Circuits (Gym)	Sensory Circuits (Gym)	Sensory Circuits (Gym)	Sensory Circuits (Gym)	Sensory Circuits (Gym)
12:20-12:50	Badminton (Gym) Languages club (Arabic) See Mrs Barker History Film Club (B14)	Languages Club (Mandarin) See Mrs Barker	Gymnastics (PE) iMac GarageBand Club (Music)	KS3 Band (Music) CAFOD Club (RE)	KS3 Band (Music)
3:00-4:00	Basketball (Gym) Homework Club (Library)	STEM club (C2) Girls Netball (PE) Boys football (PE) Homework Club (Library)	10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel) Homework Club (Library)	Performing Arts Club until 16:30 (Drama) Girls Football (PE) Boys Rugby (PE) Homework Club (Library)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)

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Year 8

Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:20-12:50	Badminton (Gym) Languages club (Arabic) See Mrs Barker	Languages club (Mandarin) See Mrs Barker History film club (B14)	Gymnastics (PE) iMac GarageBand Club (Music)	KS3 Band (Music) CAFOD Club (RE)	KS3 Band (Music)
3:00-4:00	Basketball (gym) Homework Club (Library)	STEM club (C2) Girls Netball (PE) Boys football (PE) Photography club (B19) Homework Club (Library)	Creative writing comics and Magna Club (E2) 10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel) Homework Club (Library)	Performing Arts Club until 16:30 (Drama) Girls Football (PE) Boys Rugby (PE) Homework Club (Library)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)



EPCHS - What's going on?



Year 9

Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:20-12:50	Languages Club (Arabic) See Mrs Barker	Languages Club (Mandarin) See Mrs Barker	Gymnastics (PE) History film club (B14) iMac GarageBand Club (Music)	KS3 Band (Music)	KS3 Band (Music)
3:00-4:00	Basketball (Gym) Homework Club (Library)	STEM club (C2) Boys Rugby (PE) Homework Club (Library) DofE Bronze Award till 4.30pm every Week B (Hall)	Girls netball (PE) Boys football (PE) Basketball (PE) Photography Club (B19) 10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel) Homework Club (Library)	Performing Arts Club (until 16:30) (Drama) Girls football (PE) Homework Club (Library)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)

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EPCHS - What's going on?



Year 10

Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:20-12:50	Languages club (Arabic) See Mrs Barker iMac GarageBand (Music)	Languages club (Mandarin) See Mrs Barker	iMac GarageBand Club (Music)	History film club (B14)	VOX Vocal Group (Music)
3:00-4:00	Homework Club (Library)	Boys Rugby (PE) Homework Club (Library) DofE Silver Award – every Week B till 4.30pm (Hall)	Girls netball (PE) Boys football (PE) 10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel)	Performing Arts Club until 16:30 (Drama) Basketball (PE)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)



EPCHS - What's going on?



Year 11

Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	F
12:20-12:50	Languages club (Arabic) See Mrs Barker	Languages club (Mandarin) See Mrs Barker	iMac GarageBand Club (Music)		History film club (B14) VOX Vocal Group (Music)
3:00-4:00	Homework Club (Library)	Boys Rugby (PE) Homework Club (Library) iMac Garage Band (Music)	Girls netball (PE) Boys football (PE) 10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel)	Performing Arts Club until 16:30 (Drama) Basketball Boys (PE)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)

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EPCHS What's going on? Year 12 + 13



Day / Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3:00-4:00	Homework Club (Library)	Sports (PE) Homework Club (Library) DofE Silver Award – Week B till 4.30pm (Hall)	10:10 Chaplaincy Team (Chapel)	Performing Arts Club until 16:30 (Drama)	
4.00-5.00					Ju-jitsu (Gym)

• SIXTH FORM INFORMATION & GUIDANCE

Virtual pre-apprenticeship programme with The Talent Foundry and Barclays

Do you want to secure a paid Higher Apprenticeship at one of the country's leading financial organisations when you leave school? The Talent Foundry is running a fully-funded pre-apprenticeship programme with Barclays for students in Year 13 which will coach students to make a successful application for Barclays tech apprenticeships and get a guaranteed interview! This is free, virtual and taking place from 1pm-3pm on the following dates: 25th November, 2nd December, 9th December, 16th December and 13th January. Students who meet the following criteria will be prioritised before other students:

- Students who are eligible for the sixth form bursary or have been eligible for free school meals/pupil premium funding in Year 7 – 11.
- Students on track to achieve 3 A Levels (or equivalent) at BCC - with at least one STEM subject.
- Students who are interested in participating in a higher apprenticeship with Barclays, in partnership with Keele University or Manchester Metropolitan University.

For more information go to <https://www.talentfoundry.org.uk/Bridge-to-Barclays/> If you are interested in taking part, please let Mrs Boothroyd know as soon as possible as the programme starts next week. Thanks.

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UCAS 'Create your future': 23rd and 24th November: design, music, and the performing arts

This is a face-to-face event with hundreds of creative courses, apprenticeships and careers in design, music, and the performing arts. It is taking place at the Manchester Central Convention complex on 23rd November and 24th November, 9.30am-3.30pm on both days. For more information and to register, please go to <https://www.ucas.com/events/create-your-future-manchester-2021-398211>

Virtual UK Higher Education Expo: November 24th: 11am-6pm

This event gives you the opportunity to have live 1-2-1 conversations with some of the UK's top universities and providers of Higher Education. For more information or to register, please go to <https://ukhex.vfairs.com/en/register>

UCAS/Discovery apprenticeship fair LIVE: 30th November

This is an on-line event which is an ideal opportunity for students to chat about apprenticeships with many different employers in one place. It is taking place on 30th November, 10am-6pm. For more information and to register, please go to <https://www.ucas.com/events/ucasdiscovery-apprenticeships-fair-404796>

Virtual NHS Healthcare Work Experience Programme: November 2021 - April 2022

This is a 6 month programme, one day per month, starting in November. During these work experience days, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will observe healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. They will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching. This will help them to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different. They will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community.

They will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience

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programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. They can register through the website link below. Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day. For more information, please use this link:

<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

UCAS Hub Live – Wednesdays at 2pm

UCAS Hub Live sessions are happening on Wednesdays between now and March 2022. They feature UCAS experts, Careers Advisers, Universities and Employers. Each session lasts approximately 40 minutes and there is plenty of time for Q&As. The next session is on 1st December entitled 'Personal Statement Advice'. For more information, go to <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/ucas-hub-live>. To take part in the live sessions, all you need to do is sign into your own UCAS Hub on the day. If you don't have a UCAS Hub, please go to <https://www.ucas.com/what-are-my-options/create-your-ucas-hub-today> to create one.

Newcastle University: free webinars to support your student journey



These hour-long sessions are tailored to some of the key moments in the decision-making and application process for university: from helping you to work out if university is the

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right route for you, to advice about personal statements, portfolios and admissions interviews. The next two sessions are:

- Is university for me? December 2nd, 4.30pm-5.30pm
- What is UCAS and preparing your personal statement. December 7th, 4.30pm-5.30pm

For more information and to register, please go to <https://www.ncl.ac.uk/schools/on-campus-events/campusevents/>

Medical Projects 'Ward Round Live'

'Ward Round Live' is a LIVE, highly interactive, online experience where students are taught by an NHS Doctor to assess and speak to LIVE 'patients' from a studio ward. The remaining available dates for 2021 are Saturday 4th December 2021 and Saturday 11th December 2021. The course is suitable for students aged 15+ who are interested in studying medicine. To read more about the course, including price, timings, and to book a space, you can follow the link here: <https://educationprojects.co.uk/courses/ward-round-live/>

Mrs Boothroyd

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