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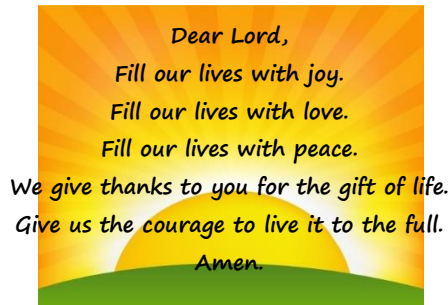
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Our Vision...
Excellent teaching.

Our Vision...
Strong Catholic ethos.

Our Vision...
Ensuring every child is known.

Our Vision...
High expectations of everyone.



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 Colleagues,

We look forward to the leavers mass and Y13 assembly that will take place on Tuesday when we can celebrate our students journey through school. Thank you to all parents for your support with revision for the Y11 and Y13 exams which are continuing next week.

I hope that you all have a very relaxing weekend

Mrs Vile

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A message from Public Health England

There is a rise in cases of scarlet fever in the North West so keep a lookout for symptoms and contact your GP if you suspect you or your child has the illness.

Symptoms include:

- a sore throat
- headache
- fever
- a characteristic fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel.

If signs of scarlet fever are suspected, it is important to contact your local GP or NHS 111.

The illness is usually mild but early treatment of scarlet fever with antibiotics is important as it helps reduce the risk of complications such as pneumonia and the spread of the infection to others.

Children or adults diagnosed with scarlet fever are advised to stay at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

Scarlet fever is highly contagious and spread by coughing and sneezing.

To limit the spread:

- wash your hands often
- do not share eating utensils with an infected person
- wash or dispose of handkerchiefs and tissues contaminated by an infected person
- be aware that people can catch scarlet fever by inhaling airborne droplets if someone with the illness coughs or sneezes in the air near them
- use a tissue to catch, bin and kill germs.

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Dear Headteachers,

Highlighting the need for more foster carers

This Foster Care Fortnight, alongside Foster4, we are highlighting the need for more local foster carers in the borough.

As you may know, the number of children coming into our care is increasing both locally and nationally, meaning that the need for more foster carers is becoming more important than ever. The COVID-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on fostering, with enquiries down by 43 per cent on the previous year.

Foster4 is our fostering recruitment collaboration with Halton and Warrington council's and has now been live for four years. The pioneering service, which was the first of its kind in the country, aims to recruit even more foster carers, provide even greater support to the fantastic ones we have, and ultimately keep more local children with local foster carers, reducing our reliance on Independent Fostering Agencies (IFAs).

In west Cheshire, to place a child in foster care with an IFA it costs on average three times more than placing a child in foster care with the Council. It is vital that we try to recruit more foster carers through the Council rather than through IFAs, as this is the best option for our children in care, as well as being beneficial to the public purse.

Foster Care Fortnight is The Fostering Network's annual campaign to raise the profile of fostering and show how foster care transforms lives.

This year's theme is #FosteringCommunities to celebrate the strength and resilience of fostering communities and all they do to ensure children are cared for and supported to thrive. On Monday, 10 May Foster4 hosted an afternoon tea event for foster carers to thank them for their incredible support for children in care throughout the pandemic. As well as this, they have launched sector-leading support packages which provide a wealth of information for foster carers and

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prospective foster carers in one place. They detail everything from a seven-seater pool car free for our foster carers to use at any time, to swimming passes for fostering families, to all the equipment they will need, to 24/7 local out of hours support.

The support that our fostering collaboration, Foster4 provide to foster carers is second to none and we need your help to keep promoting fostering.

Our foster carers play such an important role supporting our children in care and we need even more people across west Cheshire to become foster carers and provide a stable home for local children.

I am asking that if you can help in anyway, such as promoting fostering and Foster4 with parents, carers and also staff within your schools. In doing so, you'll be playing your part to help ensure children and young people in your area have safe and happy childhoods and more positive futures. Please also help us by referring any friends or family members who you know could be a great foster carer, and pass on Foster4's contact details.

Foster4 also run regular information sessions virtually. The next session is on 24 May at 6pm. To sign up, visit [Foster4 information sessions](#).

Best wishes,

Helen

Helen Brackenbury
Director of Children and Families



Play your part



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Dear Schools,

Please find below the latest Parent Carer Forum signposting mailchimp. I have attached the web link, QR code and PDF version. Please pass to your parents and carers on their behalf.

PCF May Signposting Mailchimp

<https://mailchi.mp/c782b9ff494c/pcf-signposting-news-may-2022-15681723?e=fc9d159c17>

QR Code



Kind regards,

Emma

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COSMIC CAPE EVENT– 28th May 2022

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2nd Wave flyer.pdf



For 2 days, from 7am 15th June to 10 pm 17th June, all Languages students will compete in the global Nutty Tilez online language competition against almost 10,000 other students across the globe, typing target-language words quickly and accurately, in an attempt to be crowned Nutty champion!

Nutty Tilez is a realtime, multiplayer game for learning French, Spanish, German, Italian, English and Latin vocabulary. Students can play against their classmates as well as other students around the world as they compete over 50 levels. The competition is fierce, with points, coins and leaderboards driving the inter-class, inter-school and international rivalry!

Your child will have been given a profile by their Languages teacher and can now access the resource.

Please encourage your child to do as much as they can, especially during these 2 days.

Languages Team.

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Sixth Form Information, Advice and Guidance

STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics

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VERITAS ET SAPIENTIA

**Every Tuesday
3pm till 4pm in Lab C2
with Mr Hickman
and
6th form helpers
Jack Bowers Y13 and James Hamer Y12**



**Please see Opportunity for Apprentice Laboratory Technicians
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E&T JOBS

Dear Mr Hickman,

We have hand picked a selection of the latest Engineering & Technology jobs and articles just for you, so take a look and be sure to upload your CV.

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MORE JOBS FOR YOU

Systems Engineers (all levels)



SCS Railways are looking for Systems Engineers from all industries and backgrounds to join the team working to deliver the HS2 London Tunnels project. HS2 is the UK's new high speed rail network, and the scope of works for SCS Railways includes bored tunnels, shaft sinking, bridge demolition and reconstruction, utilities diversions, earthworks and the construction of site compounds between Euston to West Ruislip.

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How to Write a Graduate Cover Letter

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Celebrating International Women in Engineering Day 2022

The University of Chester is pleased to invite year 10 girls from local schools to an inspiring day of STEM workshops to mark [International Women in Engineering Day 2022](#).

Taking place on **Wednesday 22nd June 2022, 09:30 - 14:00**, the event is for girls in year 10 with a keen interest in science subjects including Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Computer Science. The day celebrates the amazing work that women engineers around the world are doing to support lives and livelihoods every day.

Attendees at the event will:

- Explore how vital core science subjects are in developing inventors and innovators of the future.
- Be challenged by engaging in workshops delivered by our academic teams taking well known subjects in new directions.
- Find out how science subjects can lead into a wide range of careers and experiences.

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