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#### PARENT BULLETIN

9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

God of justice and equity, your kingdom welcomes all peoples. You sent us your Son Jesus Christ; through his precious blood we are redeemed, and all divisions are removed. Change our sight so that we see your face in those who do not look or speak like us. Give us courage to fulfill your mission to those marginalized by our systems.

> LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

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### The work of Christmas

by Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled, When the star in the sky is gone, When the kings and princes are home, When the shepherds are back with their flock, The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry, To release the prisoner, To rebuild the nations, To bring peace among people, To make music in the heart.

RETHINKCHURCH

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# **Ellesmere Port Catholic High School**

*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,

On behalf of all staff and governors at EPCHS, we wish you all a happy and healthy New Year, all the best for 2023.

Mrs Víle

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# Year 11 Parents evening – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023

# Year 9 Options Evening - Thursday 9th February 2023

# Dress smart and wear your uniform with pride!

Thank you to all our students who have returned after Christmas with excellent uniform. School uniform plays a key role in **promoting pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging within the student body**. These factors contribute to students' wellbeing, removing the additional pressures of deciding what to wear and the added stress of meeting the expectations of their peers.

To support our students, we have put together an information poster explaining our expectations, in relation to uniform and appearance. By ensuring your child is correctly dressed for school and supporting the standards outlined, we can ensure everyone is ready to learn and making the best progress possible.

Thank you for your support with this and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's respective Pastoral Leader.

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Psalm 21: He asked for life and you gave it to him

#### DRESS SMART AND WEAR YOUR UNIFORM WITH PRIDE

- Full school uniform is to be worn on your journey to and from school and at ALL TIMES in school.
- Skirts must be no shorter than 5cm above the knee.
- Your shirt or blouse must be tucked into your trousers or skirt and buttoned to the neck.
- Where ties are worn, they should be of a minimum 7 stripes in length.
- Your blazer should be worn at all times and only removed during lessons to be placed on the back of vour chair.
- Only plain, black, leather shoes should be worn. No trainers should be worn in school.
- Hoodies and tracksuit tops are not permitted.
- Piercings: Students are allowed to wear one small stud (no bigger than a hole punch), only in the lobe of each ear.
- No nose, helix, lip, eyebrow, tongue, belly bars or any other piercings. Clear plastic retainers are permitted.
- Jewellery is not permitted. A watch can be worn.
- Bracelets and charity bands are not permitted.



- Hair: Only conventional styles, cuts and natural colours are permitted. All hair longer than shoulder length, should be tied up fully.
- Extreme colours and styles are not allowed particularly shaven designs, excessive braising or number one clipper grades.
- Only minimal, natural looking make-up is permitted. Excessive, false tan or stand-out make-up will have to be removed.
- Lash extensions or false lashes are not allowed.
- Coloured or false nails or extensions cannot be worn. If you are having these for celebrations outside of school, bookings should be made for the Friday evening and the nails removed for the return to school.

If uniform standards are not adhered to the school also reserves the right to provide suitable uniform until a replacement item can be sourced.

In line with our Behaviour Policy, failure to follow the dress smart and wear your uniform with pride will result in a sanction being given to the student.

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### Lockers at school





### Book today and save 30% on a new locker for this academic year.

### SIMPLE. SAFE. SECURE.

Kids these days carry a lot of expensive equipment, from trainers and clothing, to books and sportswear. So, it's scary to think that the average student loses 7 items per month.

Having a school locker can help to reduce these numbers. Creating a constant, secure location for students to store possessions safely. With the added advantage of keeping books dry and promoting better back health.

And, when you consider prices start from just 12p per day, the decision is simple.

STUDENTS LOSE AN AVERAGE OF



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### **Qatar World Cup Reading Competition**

To celebrate the Qatar World Cup, we have been reading texts linked to all of the competing countriesfrom news reports about Ecuador to travel guides about visiting Morocco.

Well done to everyone who took part- the library has been inundated with postcards written by students to summarise their reading! The winner was **Amelia Gerrard** in 7 Maximilian and runner up was **Henry Costello** in 7 Bernadette who both received book tokens. A special mention goes to **7 Maximilian** who completed most as a form and received a chocolate treat to share.

Congratulations!

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# INVITATION TO ATTEND

# ELLESMERE PORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 6<sup>TH</sup> FORM OPEN EVENING Thursday 26 January 2023 4.30PM – 6.30PM

During the evening you will have the opportunity to meet Sixth Form teachers and subject leaders in their department areas around the school and the chance to speak to current Sixth Form students. This will allow you to find out about the courses we offer and get a feel for the successful atmosphere and highly supportive environment that exists within our Sixth Form.

If you are unable to attend and would like to arrange an alternative time to visit, then please contact us at your earliest convenience.

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# **PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE**



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