



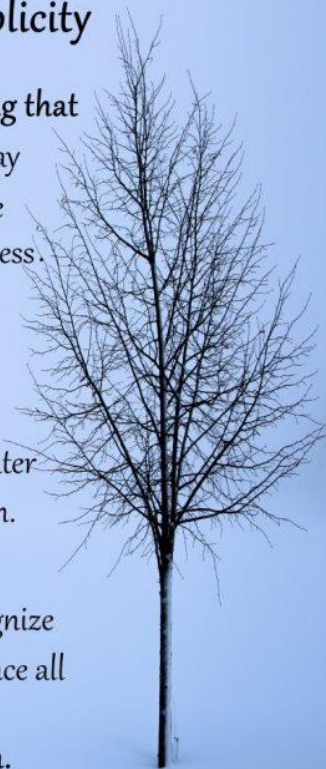
A Prayer for Lenten Simplicity

Free me, Lord Jesus, from anything that obstructs my way to you. Clear away the clutter of petty grudges. Remove smudges of resentment and bitterness. Cleanse me of thoughts filled with anger envy, or self-pity.

Create space in my life for more kindness and less spitefulness, greater generosity and stronger compassion.

Enlarge my heart with a spirit of gratitude this Lent, so that I recognize the simple gifts that lay in abundance all around me.

In your sacred name, I pray. Amen.



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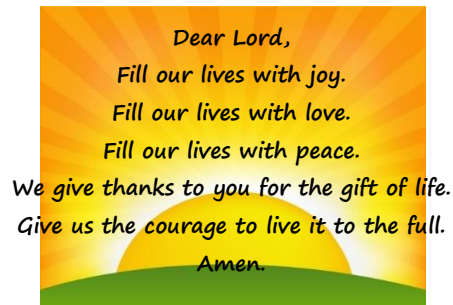
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Our Vision...
Strong Catholic ethos.

Our Vision...
Excellent teaching.

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...
Keeping children safe in education.

Our Vision...
Excellent leadership at all levels.



Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please find on the next page further information regarding strike action on Tuesday 28th February.

Hope you all have restful break, and we look forward to returning on Monday 27 February.

Mrs Vile

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Important Notice

Tuesday 27th February

Due to the strike action on Tuesday 27th February learning will take place online for pupils in year 7/8/9 and 10. Online learning will be provided via a mixture of live lessons, SAM Learning, Sparx Maths and The Everlearner. If your child's teacher is unavailable online then they should access SAM Learning, Sparx Maths or The Everlearner and complete tasks independently.

Students will need to also check MS Teams for instructions from teachers and/or log on to SAM Learning, Sparx Maths or The Everlearner to check for tasks set within these online platforms at the same time that they would have their normal lesson. SAM Learning's new artificial intelligence will also automatically set tasks based on previous learning to challenge students further. Teachers who are in school will be available on Teams during the normal timetabled lesson time if students have any questions or need any support with their learning.

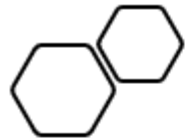
The infographic below and link shows how students can access learning and communicate with the school.

<https://tinyurl.com/4rc2ytf8>

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Expectations of Students Learning From Home



Participate in the blended learning process

Attend timetabled sessions for live, recorded or tasks to complete
Complete independent work or work set by your teacher
Complete work on SAM Learning, Sparx Maths, The Everlearner or any other online platforms
Submit tasks promptly



Independent work tasks will include

Working through presentations and worksheets
Reading and making notes from textbooks and other electronic resources
Listening exercises, essays, coursework, practice questions or past exam papers
Working through exercises offered by external providers such as Sam Learning, Sparx Maths and The Everlearner



Read and respond to communications

Check your school email daily
If you are having issues with school email contact helpdesk@epchs.co.uk
Emails from class teacher, form tutor & pastoral leader
Check for communications via Teams daily



Live or recorded lessons

Link will be sent via Microsoft Teams for the lesson to take place during usual timetabled lesson time
Check Teams for regular updates



Work will be set for students at home via

MS Teams, SAM Learning, Sparx Maths and The Everlearner
Microsoft Teams
If you are having issues with Teams contact helpdesk@epchs.co.uk



Submitting work

To submit work use the Microsoft Teams Assignments Tab
OR
Email complete work to the member of staff
OR
Complete the set task on the relevant online platform for example SAM Learning

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LIBRARY NEWS

WEEK BEGINNING 13TH FEB



Cheshire Schools' Book Award 2023

A big shoutout to Billy L and Stan S for reading and reviewing. They recommend Fake by Ele Fountain and Dread Wood by Jennifer Killick. You can find these books in the library. Remember you can still participate in our Bookshelf Competition! The first person to read 26 books in 2023 will win a prize...



Competition Time
in the library.

Grab a bookshelf off Ms Bosberry in the library. Every time you finish a book in 2023, write the name and author onto a book on the bookshelf and colour it in. The first person to bring Ms Bosberry a full bookshelf will win a prize...

Rules:

- You must read the whole book - Ms Bosberry may shut you so make sure you read it carefully!
- Advanced readers must choose books with at least 40 000.
- You can't count books that are below your reading level.
- You can count books you read outside of school.

Get reading and good luck!

Results are in!

Out of 70 votes on our Lunchtime Poll, the most votes - 37 - went to a quiet lunchtime twice a week. After half term, Tuesday and Thursdays will be Quiet Lunchtimes in the library, to give those students who come in to complete work, read, and do homework a peaceful atmosphere.

This Week in Literary History

12th February 2000 - Cartoonist and writer Charles M. Schulz dies in California, United States

13th February 1649 - Martin Luther publishes his first political tract: The Tenure of Kings and Magistrates

14th February 1817 - Author and abolitionist Frederick Douglass is born in Maryland, United States

15th February 1861 - Mathematician and Philosopher Alfred Whitehead is born in Ramsgate, England

18th February 1931 - Author Toni Morrison is born in Ohio, United States

RECOMMENDED READ - FIGHT BACK BY A. N. DASSU



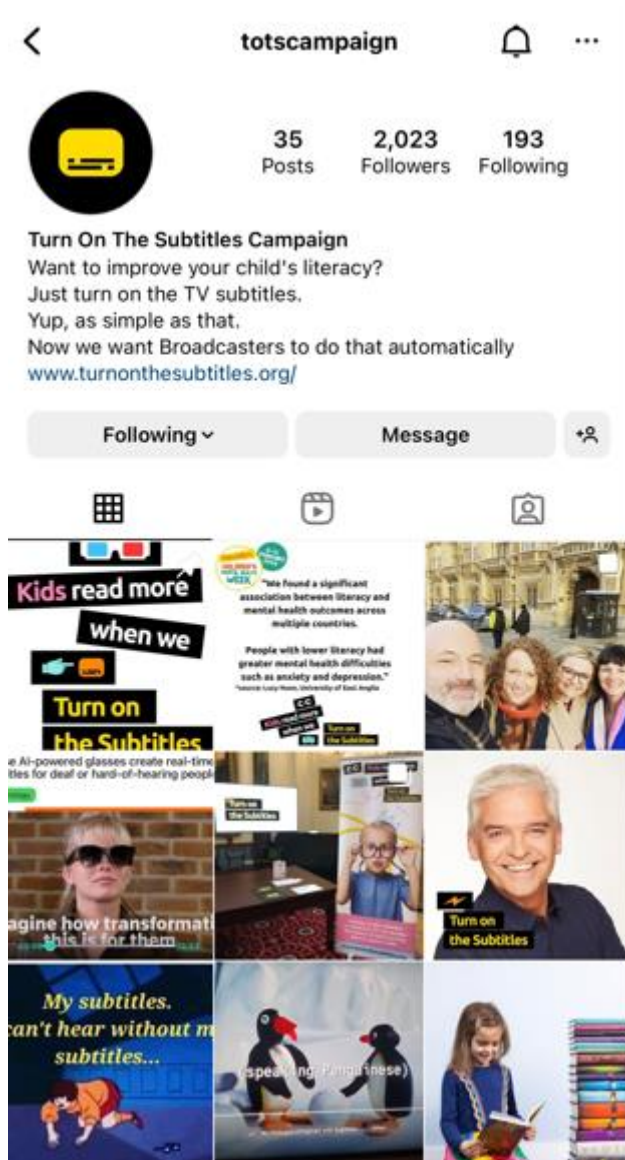
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Turn on the subtitles: @totscampaign – Instagram

A campaign featuring Stephen Fry has made it to the House of Lords to try and help increase the reading age of all children across the country, no matter their age. There is research to show that by turning on the subtitles when you are watching television (this is not always so easy with live TV but far easier with a box set or mini series, or even cartoons!) can help increase the reading age and fluency of children by up to 50%. Why not give this a go?!

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PE Update

30 Year 7 & 8 boys and girls took part in the School Games Athletics competition last night at Whitby High School. All pupils performed fantastically in a range of Track and Field events.

A massive congratulations to the year 7 girls' team performing highest in their group. They have the opportunity now to represent the district in the next round of the competition.



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The Year 7 and 8 Rugby played their first match for over 12 months this term against Neston High School. Although the result was a narrow 8 tries to 7 defeat the boys played really well. A special mention must go to Dennis Danescu who scored 6 trys.



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Parent/Guardian/Carer Consultation meeting Tuesday 7th March 5pm

The Dioceses of Shrewsbury have shared their Trustees' policy that all schools in the Diocese will move into one of their three geographically based MATS. This has been communicated through face-to-face meetings with both Headteacher's and Governing boards.

EPCHS is geographically based in the Cheshire MAT, Our Lady Help of Christians. The Governors would like to invite parents and guardians to a consultation meeting on Thursday 7th March at 5 pm. This is the link to get a ticket for the event.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/535828255737>

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50TH
ANNIVERSARY

ACADEMISATION MEETING
7TH MARCH 2023

Academisation meeting for Parents and Carers

Meeting for parents and carers regarding the proposed change in status of Ellesmere Port Catholic High School into an academy.

www.eventbrite.co.uk

We believe joining this trust with a focused vision, strong and strategic partnerships, and clear goals will secure the trust as a place that can elevate our Catholic communities through mobilising everyone in the best interests of our families, children, young people, and staff.

It is hoped that the conversion process will be completed this academic year.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES Of Ellesmere Port & Hooton



Mass times - Ash Wednesday~ 22nd Feb 2023

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church at 12.15pm

St Saviour Church at 6.15pm.



**On every Friday of Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed
at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church at 7pm,**

**On every Saturday of Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed
at St Saviour Church at 4.15pm, just prior to the 5pm vigil Mass**

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Advance notice that the parish Justice and Peace Group have organised a Fairtrade coffee morning on Saturday 4 March at OurLady Star of the Sea Parish Centre between 9am and 12noon.

Please feel welcome to drop in for a coffee and refreshments. The coffee morning takes place during 'Fairtrade Fortnight', raising awareness of making ethical choices in the products we choose to buy in our weekly shopping, supporting companies that give a fair wage to suppliers and communities around the world.

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STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics	
Every Tuesday 3pm till 4pm in Lab C2 with Mr Hickman and 6th form helpers James Hamer and Chloe HyamsonY13	

PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE



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