

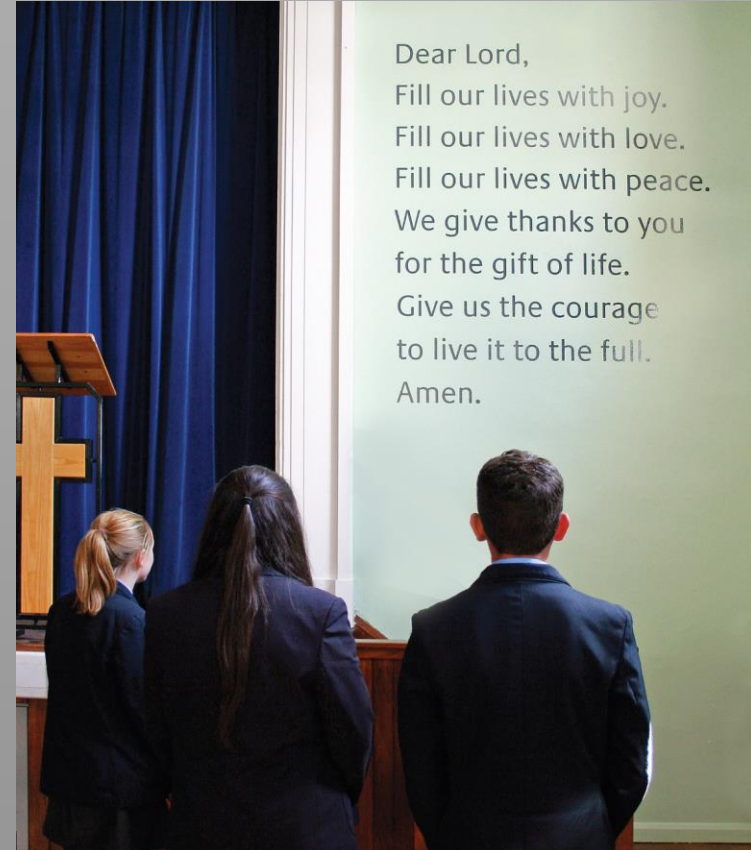
Welcome to Ellesmere Port Catholic High School



"I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full" John 10:10

Choosing your child's secondary school

A very important decision...



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.

EPCHS has a clear VISION

- Promote the dignity and worth of each person.
- Strong Catholic ethos.
- Ensuring every child is known.
- High expectations of everyone.
- Excellent leadership at all levels.
- Excellent teaching.
- Exemplary behaviour and personal standards.
- At the heart of the community.

“Leaders place as much emphasis on pupils’ personal development as they do academic achievement” (Ofsted, June 2021)

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Catholic Social Teaching



**Common
Good**



**Option for the
Poor and
Vulnerable**



**Dignity of
the
Human Person**



**The Dignity of
Work and
Education**



Solidarity



**Care for God's
Creation**



**Family and
Community**

Our Priorities

- The highest quality of teaching.
- The highest quality of leadership.
- The highest quality of pastoral support and guidance.
- The highest quality of extracurricular, enrichment and volunteering programmes.
- The school's staff form a strong team, committed to pupil's education and well-being.



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Comments from recent inspections:

- Pupils feel safe and know that they are well cared for in school.
- The school has a strong culture of care for pupils and for keeping them safe.
- Leaders work to promote pupils' personal development is strong.
- There is a deep sense of family in the school and there is a pride in the fact that each young person is known and accepted.



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Comments from recent inspections:

- EPCHS is an inclusive and caring culture where every child is valued equally. The level of care and support is exemplary.
- An ambitious and inclusive curriculum with effective adaptations for students with SEND (Oasis Room and the Nelson Mandela Centre).
- The Headteacher, Governors and senior leaders are committed to the school's mission that pupils should 'have life and have it to the full'.



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Year 7 parent's comments:

“During this year, our daughter has progressed massively both academically and personally. EPCHS has proved itself to be the absolute best fit for us.”

“My son is new to Catholic High School, and he has been supported above and beyond in all areas ... We can't thank the teachers and staff enough for the continued support my son and ourselves receive.”

“I cannot speak highly enough of the school. I was very apprehensive about my son starting high school as I was worried about him going from a small primary school into a big high school and thought he would be just a number ... This could not be further from the truth. The feedback at parents evening ... was amazing; the way they talked about my son made me feel like they know and care for him. All the teachers ... were truly lovely and I know they are nurturing my son into being the best he can be both academically and personally.”

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Year 7 parent's comments:

“We feel the school puts lots of effort into making sure not only the children are safe and are learning but also in their peer groups too. This is also important for the children to thrive.”

“... the most important thing is that our child is so happy with their new school! We are so grateful for all the help we as a family have received from the team at EPOCHS...many thanks!”

“We have been hugely impressed with the school transition to EPOCHS for our child. It was professionally handled, with us as parents being kept informed at all stages.”

“We love the fact that in such a short space all teachers seem to "know and understand" the traits and anxieties that my child displays, without judgement. The teachers go above and beyond, we are extremely grateful to them at working together with us all as a family and now I can honestly say that my child thoroughly enjoys attending school.”

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Welcome to Ellesmere Port Catholic High School Year 7



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Subjects studied in Year 7:

- Religious Education
- Mathematics
- English
- Sciences
- Geography
- History
- ICT/Computing
- Physical Education (PE)
- Design and Technology (D&T)
- Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)
- Art
- Performing Arts (Drama and Music)
- Personal Development



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Personal Development at EPCHS

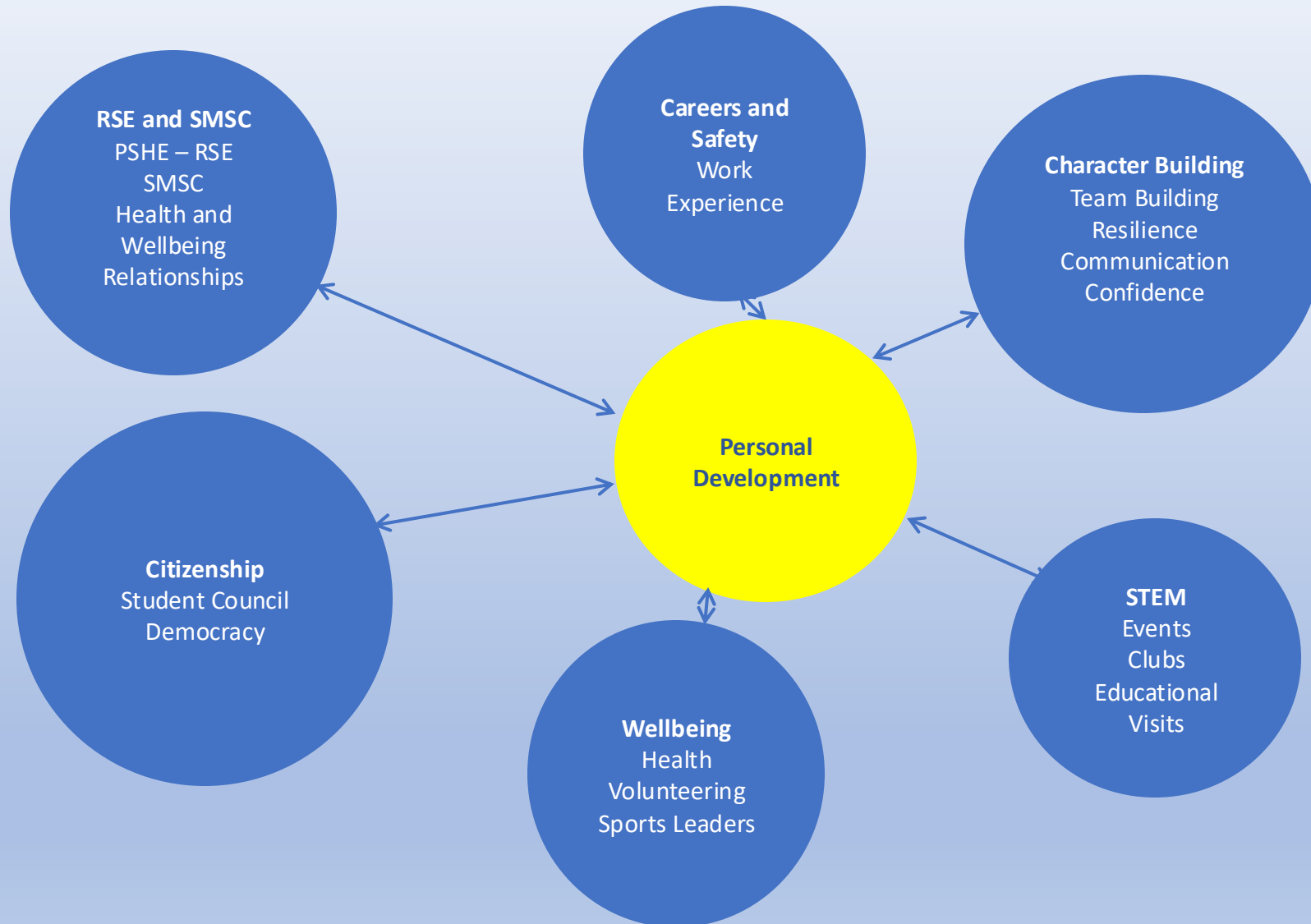
Personal Development at EPCHS provides students with the knowledge, skills, dispositions and habits to promote and support them in leading healthy, happy and fulfilling adult lives. This experience is lived through the gospel values which define the schools ethos.

Emotional Wellbeing
Personal Growth
Character Building
Holistic Approach
Self Actualisation



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Extracurricular Activities at EPOCHS



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Catholic High School

What's on? Year 7 #MakeItCount

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast available in the Canteen (all students) Library open from 8am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast available in the Canteen (all students) Library open from 8am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast available in the Canteen (all students) Library open from 8am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast available in the Canteen (all students) Library open from 8am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast available in the Canteen (all students) Library open from 8am
Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS3 and KS4 Badminton (PE) Crochet club (C1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singing/music group (B11) Art club (Week A only) Journalist club (B24) Gogglebox club (B8) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philosophy café (B21) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSL club (C19) Boccia (PE) Crochet club (C1)
After School 3:15 till 4:00 Unless otherwise stated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework club (3:15 till 3:45 Oasis 2) Basketball KS3 (PE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework club (3:15 till 3:45 Oasis 2) Gardening/Wildlife Club – C12 Boys Rugby KS3 (PE) Girls Netball KS3 and KS4 (PE) STEM club (C2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework club (3:15 till 3:45 Oasis 2) 10:10 Team (Chapel) Badminton KS3 & KS4 (PE) Girls Rugby KS3 and KS4 (PE) Boys football KS3 (PE) Arts Ambassadors (Art) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework club (3:15 till 3:45 Oasis 2) Performing Arts Club Girls Football KS3 and KS4 (PE) 	



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Annual Year 7
Educational Visit to The
Conway Centre,
Anglesey



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Options for our students at the end of years 11 and 13

- ✓ College
- ✓ Apprenticeships
- ✓ EPCHS 6th Form
- ✓ University
- ✓ Oxford / other Russell Group Universities
- ✓ Higher level apprenticeships
- ✓ Commissions into the Armed Forces
- ✓ Successfully enter the job market



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Awards



Eco School



School Mental Health



Music Mark



Wow Recognition Award



Climate Empowerment & sustainability Award



Young Enterprise Teamwork Award



Trauma Aware School Award



Dyslexia Classroom Award



STEM award



Sports Mark



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Transition Programme from Primary to Secondary June - September



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Secondary school application process – timeline:

- June and July 2024: Mrs Vile visits the current year 5 parents at the four feeder primary schools.
- 1st September 2024: Application process starts - application facility open. Admissions arrangements available containing important information regarding the admissions process.
- Thursday 26th September 2024: New Year 6 children visit EPCHS for the School Open Evening – Expression of Interest Forms returned to EPCHS.
- 31st October 2024: Admissions forms must be returned to Cheshire West and Chester.
- March 2025: EPCHS receive the list of year 6 pupils. Assemblies are held for Year 6 pupils explaining the exciting journey ahead. Parents will receive an email asking for student and parent details ready for the year ahead.



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- April 2025: Building bridges day for Year 6 children.
- May 2025: Meetings with the Year 6 teachers and our SENCO visits the primary schools. Individual/small group meetings are held with all Year 6 pupils.
- June 2025: Form groups are confirmed; additional nurture visits take place if needed. Year 7 ambassadors spend time with the Year 6 pupils to answer any questions.
- July 2025: Year 6 welcome day for pupils and welcome evening for parents. Our welcome pack of important information is distributed.
- August 2025: Summer school – 1 week all year 6 students invited
- 2nd September 2025: New year 7 children start at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School and are supported by Year 13 mentors.



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Secondary school application process – timeline:

- Supplementary Information Form (SIF) returned to school.
- The application process is managed by the local authority (LA).
- Select EPCHS as your first choice for secondary school.
- Application forms and related documents distributed from September must be submitted to the LA by the 31st October.



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Thank you for listening this evening, and we look forward to welcoming your child to Ellesmere Port Catholic High School in September 2025.



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