The Catholic High School Chester

A future filled with **opportunities**

Open Evening
Thursday 17th September 6-8pm

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Together we will all achieve success by developing our strengths, exploring our talents and recognising that Christ, our original teacher, will support us.

Welcome

Educating the young people of Chester for over half a century

Welcome to The Catholic High School Chester, we hope that you find all the answers you are looking for as you look for the next school for your children.
Our staff, students and governors are here tonight to tell you what our school is all about and we hope this evening will help with your decisions.

Choosing a high school is always emotive, however, we hope tonight that you catch a feel of what we are all about here. As a Catholic school, our message is clear: love thy neighbour. We are a family and we look out for each other. Our academic strength speaks for itself with an excellent Sixth Form, however, the child is at the centre of everything we do, so our pastoral care knows no bounds. Every child is unique and we recognise that if they feel safe and happy in school, then they will thrive and seek out the many experiences and opportunities we have here in school, enabling them to grow into fine young women and men. As you walk around our school tonight, recognise the community we have here and ask yourself: will my child thrive in this environment?

Please enjoy the experience and good luck with your decisions.

Mrs C McKeagney
Headteacher

Key Messages from school:

- We are an 11-18 school and offer a wide range of courses at GCSE and A Level to suit the needs of all our students.
- We are very proud of our transition process which is designed to help make the move to High School as smooth as possible. Included in this is a specialist team of Year 7 tutors who are trained to get the best start for all our students.
- Our students make excellent progress at all levels and in all subjects.
- We are delighted with our unique partnerships with Airbus and other local businesses, which provide our students with the opportunity to see how their learning in the classroom translates into the wider world.
- Each year we have students completing their Duke of Edinburgh Awards, from Bronze, through Silver and onto Gold.
- Participation in sports has never been higher. Students enjoy our superb facilities and are provided with the opportunity to try new sports and experiences.
- Students take instrumental exams through to Grade 8 and we have a range of peripatetic teachers.
- We have a tremendous track record of supporting local, national and international charities.
- Our students take part in parish and Diocesan events which allow them to understand the world around them and help make a difference in the local community.

Senior leadership team

Mrs C McKeagney

Headteacher

Mrs M Nordmann
Deputy Headteacher

Mr T Wilson
Assistant Headteacher

Mr D de Winton
Assistant Headteacher

Mr A Kilcoyne
Business Manager

Heads of year

Mr D Green

Head of Year 7 and 8

Mrs R Millington
Head of Year 9 and 10

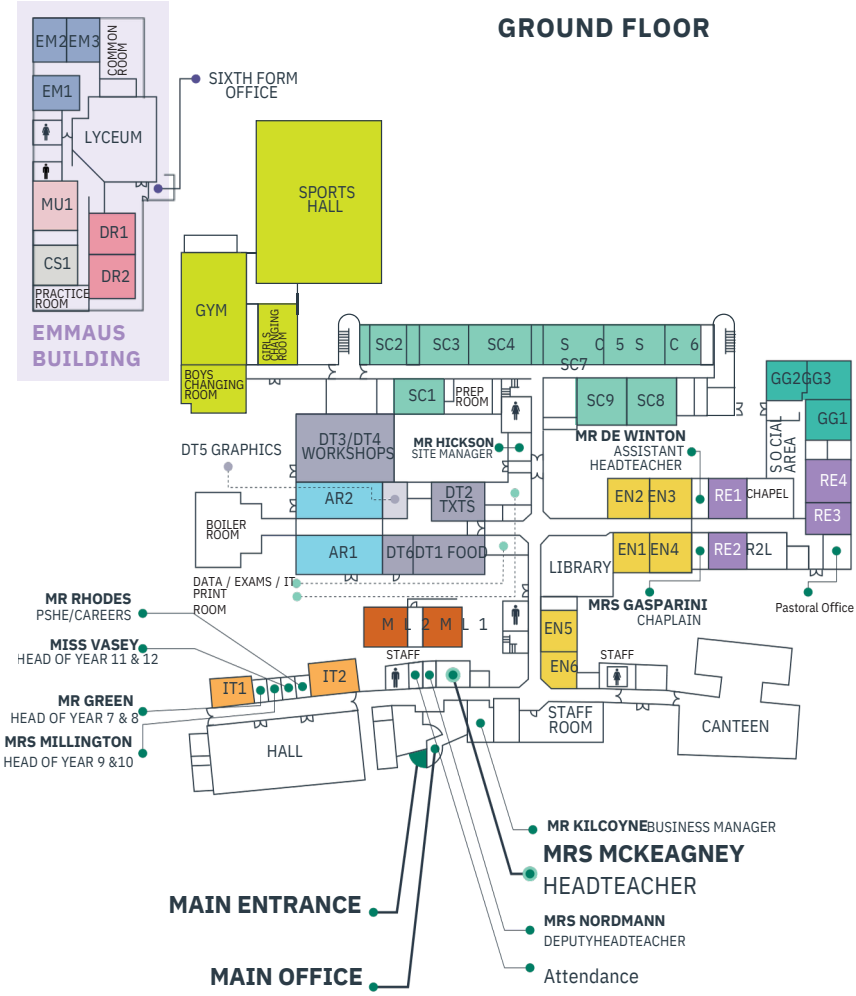
Mrs L Vasey Jones
Head of Year 11 and 12

Mrs B Letissier
Director of Sixth Form

Events

Headteacher's Address	Mrs McKeagney will share our school's vision, celebrate the successes of our students, and outline our goals for the future. Parents are warmly invited to attend the 6.15pm address in the **School Hall.**
Life in the Sixth Form	Chat with Mrs Letissier, our Director of Sixth Form, about the opportunities and experiences available to students in Years 12 and 13. **Lyceum, Emmaus Building.**
Duke of Edinburgh Award	Discover the exciting opportunities available through the Duke of Edinburgh Award. **Lyceum, Emmaus Building, inside/outside depending on weather.**
Moving to High School	Transitioning to high school can feel like a big step. Mr Green (Head of Year 7 & 8) and Mrs Richards (Head of Transition) will be on hand at the **Crossroads (near the Library)** to discuss our transition programme and what life is like in Year 7.
School Chapel	Our full-time Chaplain, Ana Gasparini, will be in the **School Chapel** throughout the evening to discuss how we provide support, guidance, and to promote our Catholic ethos.

Our School Map



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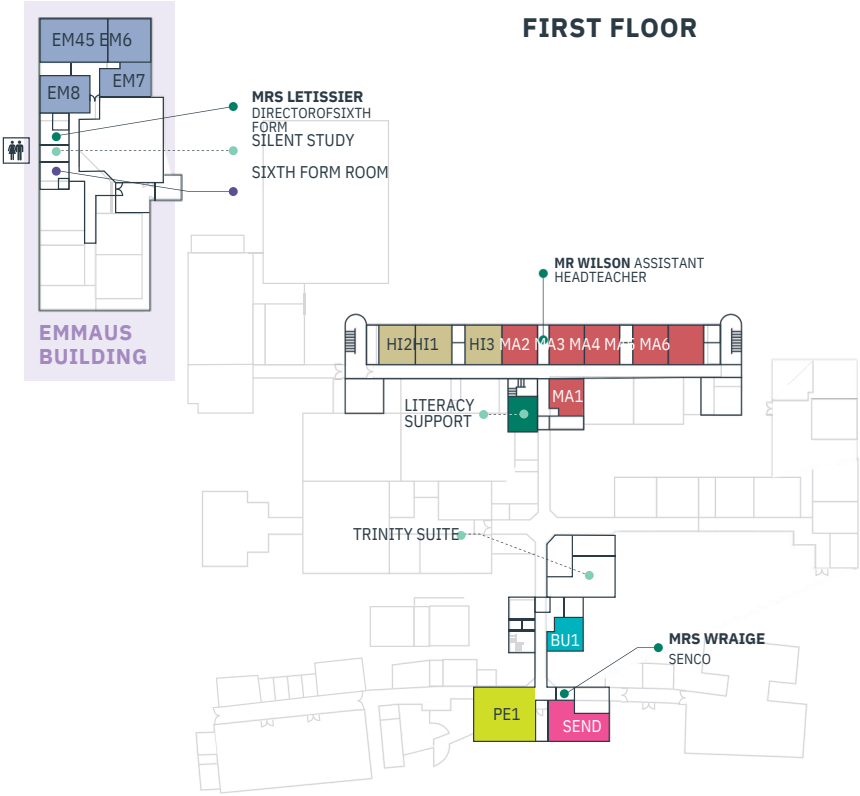

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- Art
- Business Mathematics
- Computing
- Drama
- Design & Technology
- English
- Geography
- History
- Information Technology
- Literacy
- Maths
- Modern Foreign Languages
- Music
- PSHE
- Physical Education Religious Education
- SEND
- Science

Subject	Room	Activity
Art	Art 1 Art 2	**Make your mark at CHS** Unleash your creativity in our thrilling BIG doodle wall art challenge, where you can make your mark and contribute to a giant collaborative masterpiece.
Canteen		**Come and try our delicious menu** Samples are available until 8.00pm
Computing, Business & Economics	CS1	**Explore tomorrow's world!** Experience the future of technology with our thrilling programming activities.
Drama	Studio	**Step into the world of Drama!** Come and explore Blood Brothers, have a go at different accents, and discover how we bring characters to life on stage. Our fantastic Year 10 and 12 Drama students will be on hand to get our future Year 7s involved in some fun, interactive activities.
DT	DT4 Workshop DT1	**Be a designer for the night!** Get creative by designing and crafting your own CHS keyring, or discover the enchanting art of weaving. Dive into a culinary adventure, where our students create bespoke recipes and produce gourmet delights.
English	EN1 EN2 EN3 EN4	**Be part of the story...** Join us in the Library and immerse yourself in our vibrant reading culture. In EN4, help bring a story to life by creating your very own audio version of Frankenstein - help voice the character or become a Foley artist and create sound effects. Also, experience work from our very own sound studio. In EN1, join us for an example of an exhilarating year 7 creative writing lesson, where imagination takes flight and every student becomes a storyteller. In EN2, explore the dynamic English curriculum and engaging homework opportunities, and see how we inspire a love of English in every student.

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Geography	GG1 GG2	**Where in the World.** Embark on an exploration of our Y7 curriculum, with the opportunity to test your map skills. Students will uncover the intricacies of navigation through 4 and 6 figur e grid co ordinates
History Criminology	HI1 HI3	**Can you unlock the past?** Dive into the mystery of the Tollund Man and us e primary evidence to piece together clues and solve the historical puzzle of who he was. Uncover the secrets of the past by examining historical objects and identifying their stories and uses. Get ready to play a historical twist on 'Play Your Cards Right' where every turn unveils intriguing facts from the past.
Maths	MA1 MA2 MA3	**Mathemagic!** Maths Roadshow Challenge, where problem-solving becomes an adventure! We will also have a symmetry activity and a 2D drawing. Explore the dynamic world of Y7 learning with a look at our engaging curriculum. Get ready for a mathematically charged showdown at our interactive whiteboard competition.
MFL	ML1 ML2	**Behind the flags** Embark on an adventure with our Languages Treasure Hunt, where you'll decode clues and uncover the hidden gems of multilingual exploration. Plus our culture quiz and more!
Music	MU1	**Take a tropical trip!** Get ready to be transported to Hawaii, the home of the ukulele. There will be opportunities to play, sing or just relax and enjoy the entertainment!
PE	Sports Hall	**Going for Gold!** Get ready to be thrilled by a dynamic display of sports. You can witness the exhilarating spectacle of trampolining in our Sports Hall, alongside a variety of other exciting athletic endeavours.

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Religious Education	RE1 RE2	**A spiritual journey** Engage in a fascinating exploration of world religions with our artefacts quiz. You will also have the opportunity to take part in silent debates on philosophy and ethics which will off er a captivating glimpse into the rich tapestry of human spirituality and belief systems.
Science	SC4 SC8 SC9	**Bubbles, Burning and Bazookas!** Thrilling heart and lung dissections, peer into the microscopic world, even measure your own blood pressure. Witness the exciting methane bubble experiment and the mystifying spectacle of burning money. See the mesmerising power of the Van de Graaff generators
Pastoral Pathways, Trinity & SEND	ARC Trinity	**A showcase of our therapeutic work** Discover the empowering and personalised SEND support available in our school, to ensure every student receives the assistance they need to thrive, by speaking to Mrs Wraige (SENDCO), Mr Cross (Teacher of Autism Provision), Mrs Cooper (Nurture) and Mrs Harrison & Miss Judd (Assistant Year Leaders of Learning).

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This QR code will take you to the Cheshire West and Chester Council Secondary School Application page for September 2027.

31st October 2026
Applications need to be submitted to CWAC

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
Phone for help: 0300 123 7039

If you live in Flintshire and would like your child to attend The Catholic High School, you must apply to CWAC on the web address above as well as Flintshire County Council

1st March 2027
Cheshire West and Chester will inform parents of their school allocation

"Pupils thrive in this warm, friendly and inclusive school." — Ofsted, May 2026

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