



**Ellesmere**  
Co-ed 7-18 Day and Boarding

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**Welcome**  
**Year 8 to 9**  
**Information Evening**

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**LIFE.READY.**  
Academic | Sports | Arts | Leadership | Global

# Middle School Years 9, 10, and 11

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# Structure

## Deputy Head Pastoral

**Leads the pastoral team in the care and support of pupils.  
Tutors work with their Housemasters/mistress and the Head of Middle School**

## Deputy Head Academic

**Leads the academic team in the education of pupils.  
Teachers work with their Head of Department and Tutor.  
Link to Head of Middle School**



# Curriculum - Year 9



## Core Compulsory Subjects

English

Mathematics

Biology

Chemistry

Physics

Geography

History

Physical Education

Religious Studies (core)

Module on Financial Awareness

Option Subjects: 4 to select\*  
Introduction to GCSE courses

Art & Design

Business Studies

Computer Science

Design Technology

Drama

French

Latin

Media Studies

Music

P.E. (theory)

Spanish

Support for Learning

\*Performance in the May School examinations will be taken into account when reviewing the choices made



# Ellesmere College House System



There are two systems:

The **PASTORAL AND ACADEMIC** system based upon the 'Saints' Houses.

The **COMPETITIVE** system based upon House names from the College's past.



## **Academic and Pastoral (Boarding or Day)**

**There are three Houses:**

**Saint Aidan's – for all Middle School Girls.**

**Saint Cuthbert's – Middle School Boys.**

**Saint Patrick's – Middle School Boys.**

**The Boys' Houses take both Boarding and Day pupils.**

**Boys are allocated by the school to fill the places available and to maintain a balance of boarding and day within the House. There is no parental choice of Saint's House unless there would be a current brother in the House.**

**Tutors are allocated based upon these Houses.**



## Competitive Houses

There are four competitive Houses:

Meynell      Talbot      Wakeman-Lambart      Woodard.

Pupils remain in their Competitive House for the remainder of their time at Ellesmere.

Pupils are allocated on the basis of a family connection if indicated to us but otherwise to try to provide a balance of talents between the Houses in such as sport, drama, music, academic ability, leadership.



# The Ellesmere College Pastoral System

COMPETITIVE HOUSES - PLACED BY SCHOOL UNLESS FAMILY CONNECTION



	MEYNELL	TALBOT	WAKEMAN LAMBART	WOODARD
SAINT AIDAN'S HOUSE - ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS ARE PLACED IN SAINT AIDAN'S				
SAINT CUTHBERT'S HOUSE - MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS - PLACED BY THE SCHOOL TO TRY TO ACHIEVE A BALANCE OF BOARDING AND DAY ETC.				
SAINT PATRICK'S HOUSE - MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS - PLACED BY THE SCHOOL TO TRY TO ACHIEVE A BALANCE OF BOARDING AND DAY ETC.				





# The Pastoral Team Who's Who!



**Deputy Head Pastoral: Dr R. Chatterjee**

**Head of Middle School: Mrs S. Phillips**

**Housemasters/Housemistress = HsMs**

**Acting HsM of St Aidan's: Mrs K. Curzon**

**HsM of St Cuthbert's: Mr J. N. Haycock**

**HsM of St Patrick's: Mr G. Owen**

**Tutors**



## Head of Middle School Mrs S. Phillips



- Matrix of care with House Masters/Mistress, tutors and teaching staff
- Clear vision to develop happy, confident and enthusiastic pupils who are well rounded, polite and respectful.
- High expectations of behaviour and effort from pupils.
- Strive for academic excellence.
- Strive to develop the full potential of each pupil.
- Firm and fair discipline and individual care to guide each pupil in this crucial academic period.
- High standards of behaviour and appearance are expected to enable the school to continue to flourish.



# Personal Tutor & Activities



## Year 9 Activity Programme

Thursday Afternoons

Combined Cadet Force and/or DofE

Our Aim is for all Year 9 pupils to have the opportunity to complete the D of E Bronze Award by the end of Year 9.

There is expedition training in the first term, skills in the second term and final assessed expedition at the end of the year.

In year 10 there is an additional option of Arts Award available.



## Develop Team Building, Camp Craft and other Expedition skills



These skills provide leadership and valuable personal development opportunities for all involved and they are fun!

