



**St Mary's Catholic College
Wallasey**

A Voluntary Aided Academy

sixth form *prospectus*

Personal growth and achievement for everyone



Welcome to St Mary's Catholic College



Mr A Boyle
BSc(Hons), N.P.Q.H
Headteacher

St Mary's is a Catholic college. We take great pride in the welcoming, caring and supportive nature of our Sixth Form that ensures academic success. Relationships, community and the service of others are at the heart of our ethos. In these and many other ways, opportunities for personal growth and development in the widest sense are an important part of what St Mary's has to offer.

The size of our inclusive Sixth Form allows us to offer a wide range of courses that meet the needs of all students. OFSTED judged all aspects of our Sixth Form to be 'good' and confirmed that our students have a positive attitude to learning.

Inspired by the Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Catholic college community is for the personal development of every member through service to each other



Mr T Quinn MA
Executive Headteacher

Our Aims

The work we do with our students is rooted in our Mission Statement. The success of St Mary's is built on the dedication and commitment of everyone involved with the college to get the best possible academic results.

St Mary's aims to provide all students with experience of a Christian community and a sense of their own unique worth and value.

Our motto 'Christ within us all' highlights the importance we attach to developing each student in the fullest sense through prayer, liturgy and service to others.



Mr M Chew
Director of Sixth Form

Progression to University or Higher Level Apprenticeships

Students leave our sixth form to join prestigious university courses including Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science and Law with one of our students securing a place at Oxford University this year.

Other students have been able to secure Higher Level Apprenticeships with international companies.

Aspire
not to
have more
but to be
more...

Andrius Romero



We offer a full range of enrichment experiences that develop all of the gifts and talents of our students



Settling in at St Mary's

Whether you are an existing student, or are new to the college, we will help you to settle in. Although the purpose of the Sixth Form is to study and obtain the best possible qualifications, you will also make new friends and develop skills that will fully prepare you for your progression to further education and employment.

Monitoring your Progress

In order to maximise your progress, there will be several progress reviews each year. You will be given challenging target grades based on your GCSE results, but this is not a limit, and you can achieve more. We will always support you to make sure you achieve your potential.

Details of Parents' Evenings appear in the College Calendar, available on our website.

Supporting your Studies

The Sixth Form staff at St Mary's are well qualified and committed to supporting your development. Your Form Tutor will take a special interest in your academic progress and general wellbeing. The Sixth Form Pastoral Team, including a Progress & Aspiration coach, will work hard to offer you the personal support and guidance that will help you to make the most of the opportunities available. Teaching Assistants will also provide help for students who have literacy difficulties.



Work Experience

All students will complete a personal portfolio of their experience and achievements whilst at St Mary's. This will involve a work experience placement at the end of Yr12.

Enrichment Activities

- Theatre Company Visits
- Dance and Drama Shows
- Expressive Arts Evenings
- Orchestra
- Arts Festival
- Student Council
- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- Community Sports Leader Award
- Helping at the MENCAP Club
- Bands Night
- Year 7 Buddying and Reading Support
- University Conferences & Residentials
- Visits to Rome and Lourdes
- Visits to Auschwitz and Krakow
- Sporting Events
- NCS Residentials

Excellence

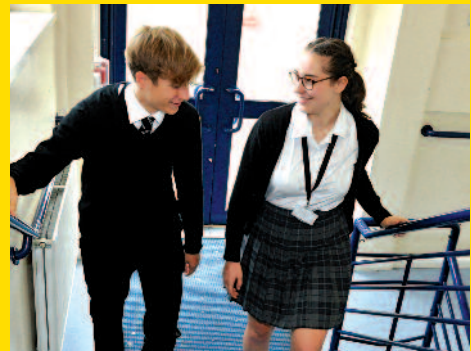
We have a proven track record of success and are committed to achieving academic excellence. In September 2014 OFSTED recognised St Mary's Sixth Form as 'good', stating that students are encouraged to be aspirational and to aim for high standards.

Careers Guidance

All students have access to a wide range of careers information, including progression to further and higher education, job vacancies for college leavers and other related matters. Expert advice and guidance is always available and we encourage every student to attend an individual careers review.

Personal Support

St Mary's recognises the uniqueness and dignity of each individual. We provide a caring, friendly and supportive environment based on Christian values. Ofsted said that students feel safe and speak highly of the quality of the relationships in college and how these are used to support and challenge them to do their best.



Facilities

We have an excellent range of Sixth Form and college facilities including study bases, a common room, a library, chapel, excellent Science laboratories and an Arts Centre with a Music suite and studios for Dance and Drama.

Range of Courses

St Mary's has a very wide range of A Level and BTEC courses to choose from. In addition, we offer a broad programme of enrichment activities and the opportunity to study for other qualifications. Please see the Sixth Form section of our website for more details.

Friendly and Welcoming

Whether you're new to St Mary's or not you can be certain of a warm and friendly atmosphere and a great environment in which to develop and achieve the academic qualifications you need.

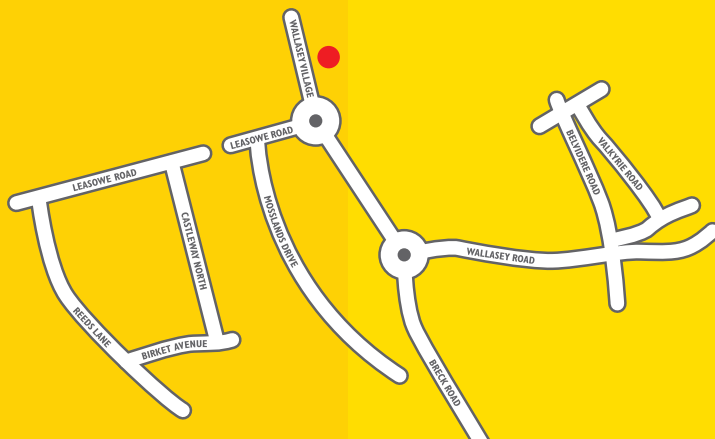
How do I apply if I do not currently attend St Mary's?

- Come and see St Mary's during our Sixth Form Information Evening
- Complete an application form (available on our website)
- You can make further enquiries to the Headteacher, or to the Sixth Form Pastoral Team
- Interviews with parents and prospective students can be arranged
- You are welcome to visit the college during the day

At the heart of
our provision is
the relationship
which develops
between each
student and their
Form Tutor

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