



St John Bosco  
ARTS COLLEGE

# A warm welcome from the Headteacher

This school is at the cutting edge of teaching and learning and thrives on providing the best opportunities to the young people that it serves. All of our staff go the extra mile to ensure that our young people succeed in developing the necessary skills to compete in an ever increasing globalised market.

We are here to ensure that all children in our care succeed and move on to have bright futures in their chosen field. We are inspired by the example of St John Bosco and react to the needs of each individual student, touching their hearts and developing their talents and creative skills.

We can't wait for you to join our Sixth Form and start your bright future with us.

Mr Darren Gidman



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## What we have to offer ↘

I consider it a great pleasure and privilege to work with the KS5 students at our college where we provide a caring and supportive environment for each and every person.

Our aim is for each student to excel in every aspect of study and college life so that they can become the best that they can be as they follow their dreams in life.

Our Sixth Form experience encompasses academic, extracurricular and social activities. Our aim is twofold; to enable students to achieve the best possible academic qualifications whilst giving them every opportunity to develop as mature, responsible 21st century citizens.

Every student can be confident that they are cared for, listened to and supported. This is particularly important in the sixth form where we guide the young people to greater independence and adulthood so they can make informed and confident choices about their future. We look forward to meeting you soon.

**Miss Lyon**

Pupil Progress Co-ordinator for Key Stage 5





## Facilities

- Designated sixth form area
- Exclusive access to a fully equipped study area
- Bookable private study areas for groups and individuals
- Full access to Reflections café
- Free use of the fitness suit and leisure facilities





## Study Programs ↘

At St John Bosco Arts College you can take one of three routes:

### A Level

Select 3 or 4 A level subjects

Entry requirements:  
5 grade 9 - 5 GCSE's or equivalent.

For your chosen A level subjects, you will require a minimum of a grade 6 at GCSE. This must include a grade 5 in English and Maths

Assessment:

A levels are exam based qualifications. Most subjects are completed over 2 years with exams sat at the end of the course.

### Applied General

Select up to 3 BTEC subjects.

Some subject areas offer a double award equivalent to 2 qualifications.

Entry requirements:  
5 grade 9 - 4 GCSE's or equivalent.

Assessment:

BTEC's offer a vocational assessment with a combination of coursework and examination.

BTEC's are an acceptable alternative to A levels to gain entry to university.

### Mixed

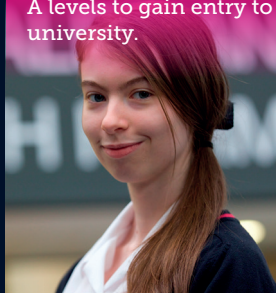
Select a combination of A level and BTEC courses equating to 3 qualifications.

Entry requirements:  
5 grade 9 - 4 GCSE's or equivalent.

For your chosen A level subjects you will require a minimum of a grade 6 at GCSE.

Assessment:

A levels will be assessed through examination and BTEC qualifications that offer a combination of coursework and examination.







## Enrichment

Students will be encouraged to participate in additional activities to their academic work. A wide range of opportunities are available to broaden students' aspirations and enrich their skill sets.

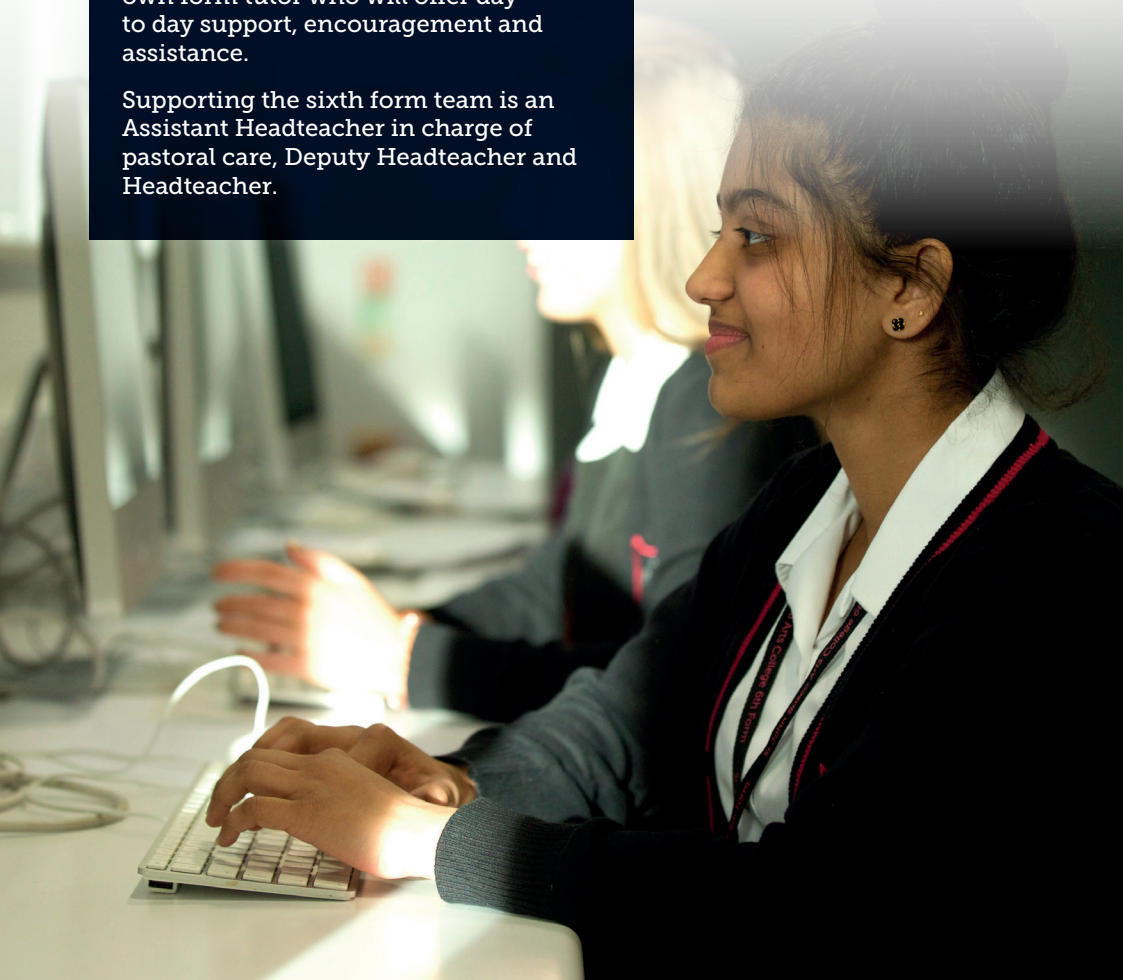
- Duke of Edinburgh
- First aid courses
- Voluntary work
- National Citizenship Award
- Primary Associate Teacher Access Programme
- Sports
- Fundraisers and Charity work
- Mandarin classes

## Student Care ↘

We see the wellbeing of our students as paramount and are dedicated to supporting students through their academic journey. The Pupil Progress Coordinator for sixth form has overall responsibility for progress, attendance, behaviour and liaison with parents and carers for all students.

Every student will be assigned their own form tutor who will offer day to day support, encouragement and assistance.

Supporting the sixth form team is an Assistant Headteacher in charge of pastoral care, Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher.





## Student Pathways ↘

We endeavour to provide students with advice and guidance with the many pathways available to them such as University, Apprenticeships and Careers. You will be supported through:

- CV workshops
- Employability interviews
- Work experience
- Independent career interviews

For students considering progressing to university we offer support with UCAS applications, including a personal UCAS tutor, student finance advice, university visits and personal statement workshops supported by local universities.

*"Careers advice and guidance is highly effective. The proportion of students who go on to Russell group universities is increasing every year. The school has also increased the number of students who have made successful applications to Oxbridge."*

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For more information or to  
arrange a visit to the college  
please contact the Sixth Form  
team

