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Deadline for applications is 31st January 2026



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WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE

Having over 25 years' experience of post-16 education, I can say that St Hilda's College is quite simply unique. A place where all students are valued and where the individual counts.

Students at St Hilda's shape the future of the College. We work together to make the experience of post-16 education relevant and rewarding, with an emphasis on enrichment. Standards are high and results are too. The relationship between students and staff is of particular note.

St Hilda's is a family. Our offer of 26 subjects means that we have lots of choice without losing our family feel. Post-16 education can, at times, be a challenging period in our young people's lives. Where best to feel supported, than with the people who know them best?

I look forward to meeting you over the coming months as we share what makes us unique.

MRS J CODE
HEADTEACHER

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THE FOWLER ACADEMY EXPERIENCE

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ST HILDA'S



FOWLER EDUCATION & FOOTBALL ACADEMY

An exciting new partnership between St Hilda's College and the Fowler Education and Football Academy (FEFA)

In September 2025, St Hilda's partnered with FEFA to provide students with the opportunity to study their chosen subjects alongside a high performance, exclusive football training and match programme.

Formed in 2015 by former Liverpool and England player, Robbie Fowler, FEFA are an award-winning post 16 education provider that have built a local, national, and international recognition of excellence.

Based at Liverpool FC's Melwood Sports Complex, students can study:

- Sports Coaching BTEC (single, double, and triple awards).
- Sports Science BTEC (single, double, and triple awards). FEFA are the only provider in Liverpool of this course.
- Health BTEC (in partnership with Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust).
- A-Levels in Maths and English (taught onsite at Melwood).

On the pitch... FEFA has:

- Won two National Cups and the National Football Youth League Title (2021, 2024).
- Won two international football tournaments in Florida (2024).
- Won the English Colleges National Football Championship (2018).
- Supported students to achieve professional and semi-professional football contracts.

Off the pitch... FEFA:

- Is a Pearson approved provider and is the previous winner of the Educate Most Inspirational 16-18 Education Provider Award, the BTEC Global Bronze Award winner in the 'Global Colleges' category and the Silver Award winner in the 'Student' category.
- Has supported over 100 students to progress into higher education and USA degree scholarships.
- Regularly outperform the national average in relation to student results.
- Has a network of partners who provide a diverse range of work experience opportunities.



I am delighted that you are considering applying to St Hilda's College. I am very proud of our students and their achievements. Choosing to stay in education and more importantly choosing the right place to study is a hugely significant step. I believe St Hilda's College will provide you with a truly unique experience. Our students achieve excellent results, which helps them to acquire the skills and qualifications they need for the higher education course or employment of their choice. We offer 26 different courses, alongside a specialist programme for high achievers. We have an extensive range of enrichment opportunities including EPQ and the Science Crest Award and specialist guidance and support for Oxbridge candidates. We provide the highest level of personal support, care and guidance to ensure you are fully supported during your time with us. I look forward to welcoming you to St Hilda's College and very much hope that you will choose to join us.

MS A HOWARD
HEAD OF COLLEGE

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It's about...

...providing you with the best teachers who have the expertise that match your goals and aspirations.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR FORMER COLLEGE PRESIDENT

I'M ISABEL AND I'M A FORMER COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

I'm currently studying History and English Literature at Cardiff University. Moving away from home and throwing myself into this new life has been a challenge, but not one I was scared of. St Hilda's college gave me the skills and the confidence to put 100% into everything I'm doing and achieving. I've joined the netball team, the refugee society, and I'm already finishing my first mid term assignments here.

I was taught to be strong, proud, and hardworking throughout my time at St Hilda's, and I carry these lessons the college taught me everywhere. I achieved a grade A at EPQ and History here with the help of Ms Howard guiding me to achieve such high standards and my EPQ meant my offers for university were lowered due to its recognised importance. Alongside this, my work experience has helped me join the refugee society at university, which is something I participate in every Thursday. The team and I have conversational English with refugees and help them adapt to their new life. I'm so proud that I was able to do this, and that the college gave me the confidence to try things like this that will help me in later life. I thank the college for all they have done for me, and I can't wait to share my new adventures with them soon.

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WHY CHOOSE ST HILDA'S?

The Sixth Form at St Hilda's is a truly unique experience. We work really hard with our students to make sure everyone leaves us with the qualifications, knowledge and skills they need to thrive in an increasingly challenging and globally competitive workplace. We are one of the most popular sixth form colleges in the city and we have a proven track record of supporting students to realise their aspirations and ambitions. Our students go on to study at the most prestigious universities and degree apprenticeship providers. If you join us, you will be taught by highly qualified, subject specialist teachers who will challenge you to be the best you can be and our outstanding pastoral team who will give you all of the support, care and guidance you need. At St Hilda's we believe that **anything is possible**.

OUR ACADEMIC STRENGTH

The potential scientist, linguist, artist, philosopher, lawyer, actor or captain of industry – every student is well catered for and each is equally valued. St Hilda's College offers a choice of 26 subjects which enables students to select a programme which reflects their personal strengths and passions and puts them on the first step of the journey towards the realisation of their aspirations.

A gateway to the very best universities

We believe that **anything is possible** and encourage our students to believe the same. That's why hundreds of our students have gone on to study at the top universities, including Oxford and Cambridge. The subjects they read at university reflect a real diversity of career aspirations, from Chemical Engineering and Medicine to Applied Psychology and Law, Architecture, History, Philosophy, Medieval Languages, and Zoology.

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APPLYING TO ST HILDA'S COLLEGE

To study at St Hilda's you must meet the academic entry requirements as well as being exemplary role models for the rest of the school. Please read these carefully before applying and ensure you apply by the deadline of 31st January 2026. Students take either three A-level courses, three BTEC courses, or a combination thereof over two years. Each subject has different entry requirements, but we expect all of our students to have achieved at least five GCSEs at grades 9-4 (or equivalent), including English and Mathematics. Most of our subjects require you to have at least grade 4 or 5 at GCSE. Not all of our subjects require you to have studied it at GCSE, but to study a Modern Foreign Language, DT and Music, you must have done it at GCSE.

For Mathematics and the Sciences, we expect you to have achieved at least grade 7 at GCSE. Every student who wants to apply is given a guidance interview after the GCSE results are published. That way, we can make sure that you study the best subjects that suit your future aspirations. We do our best to ensure that we run every course advertised. It is important to say however, signing up for the course is not a guarantee the course will run.



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PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY

We strongly encourage our students to participate fully in college life and the wider community. Students are given the opportunity to join the Student Leadership Team, the Student Council and become a Student Ambassador. Our student leaders play a role in shaping the life and ethos of the college by representing the views and interests of their peers. Our students help to plan and organise charity events, bake sales and sporting competitions. They also help to plan and deliver assemblies to the whole school: our college students for instance took a leading role in World Mental Health Day and during Black History Month when they delivered assemblies and workshops to students across the school.

Our college students also have the opportunity to contribute to the wider community. They were, for instance selected to take part in an event with the Mayor of Liverpool at the Town Hall which focused on getting people more involved in politics. They had the opportunity to meet the Mayor, local councillors and tour the Town Hall. This was a great opportunity for our students to represent young people's voices from across the city so that our local government leaders were more aware of the issues facing young people in our city.



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TUTOR THE NATION

Tutor the Nation is a charity which matches school and college age learners with university student volunteers to receive free one-to-one tuition. As a link school, St Hilda's can shortlist reliable hard-working students for the service, in a subject of their choice. A year 12 German student said "my speaking is improving a lot as I am now one of the most confident speakers in my class" and "I love the fact that it is student led which means that I can focus on exactly what I want to." A year 13 Psychology student said it "has helped me in achieving As and A*s because I got to target my weaknesses, and it strengthened my passion for my subject beyond the specification."

CORE RE



It is our duty to ensure that all pupils at St Hilda's have Religious Education as a core subject. This is required by the traditions of our college as part of a faith school.

RE is at the heart of our college life and is an essential part of a college students' wider curriculum. It helps them to develop our core vision and values and to become a courageous advocate who can support and be an example to others in the world.

We follow the Liverpool Diocesan programme of study at KS5 to ensure we teach to the curriculum balance of two thirds Christianity and Anglican tradition and one third other principle religions.

The outline of the course content is as follows:

- Should we take care of each other?
- Should we take care of our World?
- Can social media and surveillance technology help us to flourish?



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ART AND DESIGN - BIOLOGY -
 CHEMISTRY - DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY
 DRAMA AND THEATRE STUDIES -
 ENGLISH LANGUAGE -
 ENGLISH LITERATURE - FRENCH -
 FURTHER MATHEMATICS -
 GEOGRAPHY - GERMAN - HISTORY -
 MATHEMATICS - MEDIA STUDIES -
 MUSIC - PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS
 PHYSICS - PSYCHOLOGY - SOCIOLOGY -
 SPANISH—APPLIED DIPLOMA IN CRIMINOLOGY
 BTEC APPLIED SCIENCE -
 BTEC BUSINESS STUDIES -
 BTEC HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE -
 BTEC SPORT -
 CAMBRIDGE ADVANCED NATIONALS
 IN COMPUTING

PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR UNIVERSITY AND GRADUATE CAREERS

HIGH ACHIEVERS PROGRAMME

This specialist programme is aimed at students who have achieved mostly 9-7 grades at GCSE. The programme offers structured support for students who have aspirations to study:

- medicine, dentistry or veterinary science.
- at Oxford or Cambridge.
- at a Russell Group or other prestigious universities.



Being a part of the HAP will both inspire and challenge students. Students will be supported on their journey and offered a variety of opportunities such as admission test workshops, taster lectures delivered by leading academics and university campus visits.

Our students follow HE+ which is a collaborative project between the University of Cambridge and St Hilda's College. The overall goal of the project is to encourage and prepare more academically-able students to make competitive applications to top universities, including the University of Cambridge. We also have long established links with Aspire Liverpool, a high achievers programme designed to raise ambitions and maximise student potential.



During year 12, I was enrolled on the high achievers programme and was lucky to obtain a place on the Aspire programme. We were given the opportunity to attend a 4 day residential at Oxford University, and it was amazing! We all experienced different styles of lessons over the 4 days depending on what 'stream' you were in. I was in the Languages and Literature stream. We also had a scavenger hunt tour of the city, and we were given free time to look around too! It was such a fantastic experience and would totally recommend it! It was a great opportunity to find out what student life would be like in Oxford. As a result of the confidence gained being part of the high achievers programme, this year I have submitted a UCAS application to the University of Oxford!

Sophie

The High achievers programme has given me an immense variety of opportunities and experiences. I was entered into ASPIRE Liverpool which gave me the chance to go to Oxford University for the week, experiencing what Uni-life is like and giving me a chance to attend taster sessions of Oxford tutorials and lectures specific to my chosen course of medicine. The programme allowed me the opportunity to attend many aspiring medics days throughout Yr12, enriching my understanding and interest in the profession. Finally, High achievers gave me the extra support needed with my UCAS application and personal statement when being an early applicant.

Adam

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...providing you with the right skills, so there is never a barrier between you and your potential.

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FACILITIES

We are proud of our state-of-the-art facilities. The main building opened in September 2015 followed by our fantastic sports facilities in June 2016. College students benefit from:

- Dedicated College study areas
- Dedicated College social space
- College Kiosk
- Excellent IT facilities
- Dance studio
- Drama studio
- Two art studios
- Music rooms, ensemble room and practice rooms
- Sound booths for MFL
- Sports Centre and Astro pitch

PRO

It's about...

...providing you with the encouragement to be who you want to be.



It's about...

...ensuring our time is spent building on your academic strengths and helping you to improve your confidence.

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PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR UNIVERSITY AND GRADUATE CAREERS

We give comprehensive guidance when applying to degree courses, so that you have the best chance of being accepted onto the course that's right for you.

All students have the opportunity to attend our Post-18 activities and guidance sessions. This is when we invite universities, employers and our St Hilda's alumni to speak to you about your post 18 options. There is one simple message: set your goals and aspirations high because **anything is possible** with the right guidance and hard work. Over the course of the year, sessions include:



- UCAS workshops and seminars where you will learn what universities are looking for and how to make your application stand out.
- Advice on writing personal statements, CVs and letters of application.
- Advice and guidance on applying for apprenticeships.
- Applying to Oxford and Cambridge.
- Interview guidance.
- Preparation for the specialist admissions tests such as BMAT and PMAT.
- Visiting universities.
- Confidence and team building with the army.



Students' form tutors and teachers provide ongoing advice about subject and university choice. In addition, our independent and highly experienced careers advisor is available throughout the year to support and navigate students through the employment and apprenticeship opportunities. All of this will help you to feel fully prepared for university/employment and to write outstanding personal statements and letters of application to employers.



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THE COLLEGE STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



St Hilda's College has helped us to thrive because it has given us the skills and capabilities we need to succeed in our studies and for life after college. Our college offers a supportive and inclusive environment for all students to excel. All of the staff are passionate and dedicated. They give us excellent pastoral and academic guidance. A real strength of our college is the number of external students from across the city who choose to study here. Every year, more and more students chose St Hilda's College because of our reputation and the fabulous experience you will get here. Being a student at St Hilda's College means you are given the skills and resilience to excel. Each of us is proud to be a part of the college and we look forward to welcoming you to our family where everyone is supported to grow academically and as a person.

Pictured (l-r): Lexie, Will, Elsie and Zaynab.

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...allowing you the freedom to develop as an individual.



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ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Every student follows our enrichment programme. It is designed to help you to develop the skills and independence that you need to be successful in college and beyond including the world of work and university. Some of the opportunities on offer include:

- The Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
- Science Silver Crest Award
- Sports Leaders Award
- IT & Programming
- Social Science Discovery
- Sporting activities
- HE+ programme
- College ambassadors
- Law
- Phonics
- Practical mathematics
- Peer Mentoring

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WELLBEING & SUPPORT

Our top priority is to invest in you to help you achieve your ambitions. At St Hilda's College we believe that **anything is possible** with the right support. Support comes in many forms and from many different directions. Pastorally, you will be supported by the College Leadership Team and our outstanding team of form tutors. Academic support is provided by subject teachers and the Heads of Department. The welfare, health and safety of students is at the centre of what we do, so we also have a school counsellor and an independent careers advisor. We all work as a team to make sure you feel fully supported.

ACADEMIC MENTORING

One way we can make sure you are on track and achieving in your subjects is academic mentoring with your form tutor.

You will have regular meetings with your form tutor to discuss your progress in all of your subjects, your use of non contact time to do personal study, your time management and organisation.

Academic mentoring also means looking at assessment data and helping you to set targets to ensure you make progress in your subjects.

These meetings are very important because they offer a way of making sure your teachers and the pastoral team can work together to fully support you both inside and outside of the classroom.

It's about...

...working together to ensure that you are happy and that your academic needs are met.



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