

SIXTH FORM PROSPECTUS

2023



THE AIMS OF BELLERIVE ARE:

- To help everyone within a caring community to grow in faith.
- To respect and value other cultures and faiths.
- To make the most of every given ability
- To enjoy and achieve personal growth and academic excellence.
- To prepare pupils for their adult life, playing a full part in a modern global society.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT



Mrs Karen Bliss

Chair of Governors

Bellerive FCJ Catholic College Sixth Form is very successful because we are a small Sixth Form that focuses on the individual.

We offer three post-16 study pathways so there is a route that fits every student.

As a small Sixth Form, we support our students to ensure all our students are successful during their time with us. We are very proud of our impressive track record of success in educating and equipping our students to fulfil their dreams and aspirations whatever their desired direction in life.

As a girls only Sixth Form we offer an environment where you can develop into your best self. Our Sixth Form community is comprised of girls of many different backgrounds and faiths connected by our FCJ values.



WHY BEL

PASTORAL CARE

Our Sixth Form Pastoral support is outstanding, each student has a form tutor who supports them, providing advice to our students around their next steps and taking interest in their progress.

SMALL CLASS SIZES

We have small class sizes in many subjects which allows our staff to give the maximum amount of personalised support for all students to achieve their potential.

CARING STAFF

We know each of our students individually and their strengths and weaknesses, and work with them to achieve their goals. This dedication to our students in supporting their progress ensure that any gaps in knowledge are dealt with quickly. We also provide individual mentoring to students to support their academic progress and emotional well-being.

EXCLUSIVE FACILITIES

We have a Learning Resource Centre, Sixth Form computer room, study rooms and laptops that students can borrow. Those who want to study in a more informal environment, can grab a drink and snack in the Bistro or just meet up and chat with new friends.



BELLERIVE?



GIRLS' SIXTH FORM

The experience young women have in girls' only settings develops courage and the experience to face the challenges ahead with confidence. Our students develop greater confidence and freedom in questioning and in expressing themselves.

We offer a specialist level of pastoral care specifically designed to address the needs of girls; be that medical, social or emotional, provision is tailored so that we are able to create a safe, caring and nurturing environment where our girls can flourish, develop and achieve.

RESILIENCE

At Bellerive we aim for our students to feel positive about themselves, overcome challenges and have faith in their ability. We encourage them to take opportunities to shine both in and outside the classroom and celebrate their successes. Students experience opportunities to step outside their comfort zone, find their passion and plan for their future. They have the freedom to be who they want to be and the confidence to choose their own educational opportunities.

Hannah Carolan

Head Girl

Being Head Girl at Bellerive is an honour. This school has been my second home for 7 years and having this role has given me the confidence to speak in front of large audiences and present my ideas in front of people.

Surrounding me I have an amazing Senior Team and together we have been able to plan whole school projects and organise different events within the school community. Being Head Girl has led me to develop leadership skills, responsibility and time management. I enjoy engaging with the younger years and involving them as much as I can. I am proud to say that I am Head Girl here and choosing to stay on for 6th form has been my best decision as I have received so much support and opportunities for my future.

Bellerive is not just a school, it's a family with an environment where I feel safe and comfortable.





COMPANIONSHIP

DIGNITY

EXCELLENCE

OUR
VALUES

JUSTICE

GENTLENESS

HOPE

SIXTH FORM

Study
three A-Levels

ACADEMIC

MIXED

Study
combining
three A-
and Voc
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General Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths

PATHWAYS

Study a
combination of
A-Levels
and Vocational
Subjects

Study
three Vocational
or Level 3
Subjects

VOCATIONAL

All courses will run subject to minimum class quota being met

ART & DESIGN

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Art Grade 5

“Leaders make sure that pupils and students receive a high-quality, broad and ambitious curriculum across all key stages, including the sixth form.”

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DRAMA

Entry Requirements:
GCSE Drama Grade 5



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LANGUAGE

Entry Requirements:

GCSE English Language Grade 5

LITERATURE

Entry Requirements:

GCSE English Literature Grade 6

“Leaders’ and teachers’ effective planning helps pupils, and students in the sixth form, to learn the curriculum well.”

ENGLISH



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Classrooms are vibrant places for pupils to learn.

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SPANISH

Entry Requirements:

**GCSE Spanish Grade 6
and GCSE English Language Grade 5**

FRENCH

Entry Requirements:

**GCSE French Grade 6
and GCSE English Language Grade 5**

MATHS

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Maths Grade 7

CORE MATHS

Level 3 Mathematics Studies

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Maths Grade 5

Core Maths is a 1-year course that teaches students about personal finance alongside supporting mathematical skills needed in their other A-Levels. It is taken in addition to their three main choices as part of the enrichment programme.

FURTHER MATHS

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Maths Grade 8



BIOLOGY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Biology Grade 6
and GCSE Maths Grade 5

PHYSICS

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Physics Grade 6
and GCSE Maths Grade 5

CHEMISTRY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Chemistry Grade 6
and GCSE Maths Grade 5



SCIENCE

A combined Science Grade of 6/6 is also accepted

GEOGRAPHY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Geography Grade 5

HISTORY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE History Grade 6

and GCSE English Language Grade 5

TRAVEL & TOURISM

BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths

HUMANITIES



RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Religious Studies Grade 5
and GCSE English Language Grade 5
or GCSE English Literature Grade 5



CORE RE

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths

Core RE sits at the heart of the Sixth Form curriculum. The course is designed to enhance both students academic studies and their own personal development through examination and discussion of issues relevant to their lives today.



RELIGIOUS STUDIES

A photograph of a young woman with long, wavy blonde hair, wearing a black school uniform jacket, sitting at a desk and working on a laptop. The background shows a modern school interior with a glass partition and a pink sign that says "FRESH TIL MILK".

APPLIED SCIENCE

Level 3 Extended Certificate

Entry Requirements:

GCSE Combined Science Grade 5/5

BUSINESS

BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths

HEALTH & SOCIAL

BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths



PSYCHOLOGY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE English Language Grade 5
and GCSE Maths Grade 5

SOCIOLOGY

Entry Requirements:

GCSE English Language Grade 5
or GCSE English Literature Grade 5

CRIMINOLOGY

Level 3 Applied Certificate

Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and Maths



WORK EXPERIENCE

Placements can be every week for a long or short period, or for a one-off week. We can even try to work with you to find an internship during the summer of Y12 or 13.

Work experience is also available during Enrichment time.

PSHE

Alongside your main studies you will study PSHE around 3 key themes:

Health & Wellbeing

Mental health, Physical Health, Positive Body Image, and Resilience

Relationships

Friendships, Professional Relationships, Legal Consent, Ending Relationships Safely, Online Relationships, and Radicalisation

Living in the Wider World

Career Aspirations, Finances, Professional Image, Applying for a Job, Unifrog, UCAS, and Life Skills

LIFE & WORK



The Girl's Network is an organisation that aims to inspire and empower girls by connecting them with a mentor and a network of professional female role models.

Year 12 students take part in the Girl's Network matching event where they meet local professional and inspiring women who share their career journey.

Each student is matched to a mentor who supports them through their studies alongside offering them a professional opportunities.

I like my mentor because I feel comfortable around her. I feel I can share my opinions and what I think I want to do in the future and not be judged.

Leah Chapman

Tina is an amazing woman she is always helping me to do better and achieve what I want to do. I'm glad she is my mentor!

Olivia Lappin



ENRICHMENT O

Enrichment is compulsory for all Sixth Formers at Bellerive. It is designed to go beyond the realms of the examined curriculum to stimulate students' interests and to help them develop into well-rounded, socially and morally responsible young adults, who are comfortable taking on leadership responsibilities.

All activities will give students the opportunity to work as a team, problem solve, practise research skills, practise public speaking and work with the public or students in lower school.

FCJ FOOD BANK

Supporting with
the FCJ food
bank

MFL ASSISTANT

Support KS3
lessons and clubs

CHARITY CHAMPIONS

Organise and run
charity events

EAL SUPPORT

Support lower school
students who have
English as an
additional
language

6TH FORM NEWSLETTER

Create half termly
newsletters
promoting success
stories, charities &
sharing info

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*“Pupils, and students in the sixth form,
receive effective careers education.”*

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OPPORTUNITIES

READING CHAMPIONS

Reading with KS3 students

ASSEMBLY LEADERS

Plan and deliver assemblies to lower school

LEVEL 3 CORE MATHS

20 UCAS points
Supports other A-Levels

CAREERS INVESTIGATORS

Investigate growth areas on labour market information pertaining to Merseyside area.

STUDENT MENTOR

Complete a three week course and then meet and support lower school students

DT ASSISTANT

Helping students during DT lessons and organising practical resources

PE TECHNICIAN

Supporting staff in the PE department

PE EXTRA CURRICULAR

Plan and prepare coaching sessions to deliver in lunch time clubs

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We offer generous financial support to our students to help them overcome specific barriers so that they can remain in Sixth Form education.

We recognise that some students do not always meet the criteria for our formal financial support schemes, however we review every individual based on their circumstances and can provide additional support to reflect exceptional circumstances.

There are three main elements to our support:

- Bellerive Sixth Form 16-19 Bursary Fund
- Free School Meals continue into Sixth Form – the 2023 lunch allocation is **£2.50** per day
- **FREE** toasted and buttered bagels are available every morning!

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UNIVERSITY

Studying

Politics, Mechanical Engineering,
History, Zoology, Chemistry, Geography,
Biomedical Science, Forensic Science,
Architecture, Pharmacy, English Literature,
Sports Management, Nursing and
Psychology

at Universities including

Oxford, Cambridge, Liverpool, Manchester,
Liverpool John Moores,
Salford, Leeds, Sheffield, UCLAN,
Liverpool Hope and York



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INDUSTRY

Some students begin a job and others head into apprenticeships to learn more and develop their skills in a real-world setting

79%

GAP YEAR

Taking time to travel or try something new before starting their next journey

10%

100% PASS RATE AT A-LEVEL

98% PASS RATE AT BTEC

“Staff support and care about pupils as individuals. Pupils feel confident to be themselves because staff foster a positive culture of tolerance and respect. They describe it as a happy and safe place to learn.

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