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The School of First Choice



#### EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

Salvatorian College - in partnership with the Cardinal Hume Academies Trust



I am delighted that you are considering Salvatorian College as the secondary school of choice for your son. This school has a proud tradition, dating back to its foundation in 1926, of providing an outstanding education for boys. We are a school which celebrates its history but also looks to the future; in 2021, our new campus was opened providing facilities of exceptional quality, fit for a twenty-first century education. Salvatorian College works in partnership with the

Cardinal Hume Academies Trust, one of the highest performing Academy Trusts in the country. The Governors and I are proud that all students at Salvatorian College have the opportunities they need to achieve and excel within a disciplined, caring, and supportive learning environment.

We believe the care and guidance offered at Salvatorian College by our outstanding teachers engenders an ethos that will allow your child to develop their talents and bring them fulfilment and happiness. We stretch our most able and support those with special additional needs. We believe passionately in the importance of recognising every pupil as a unique individual, with their own gifts and talents, who can make a contribution and positive difference to our thriving school community and become leaders of good influence into the future.

Salvatorian College has a clear code of conduct and pupils are renowned for being well-mannered, respectful and polite. Impressive progress is made by students at all Key Stages, regardless of their starting points. We offer a clear range of support at the end of KS4 in order to help pupils onto their next steps.

Salvatorian College stands out from the crowd. This distinctiveness stems from our core values which are derived from the established traditions of the Catholic Church and the Salvatorian Mission. We encourage our boys, through the witness of their lives, to respect human dignity and to be ready and eager to serve others. We are proud that the most recent Diocesan inspection, said 'Prayer and worship are central to the daily life of the college community' and 'Students very actively engage with the common good'.

We have a strong pastoral system as well as a full programme of enrichment activities. We offer a wide range of extracurricular provision. Our facilities include: state-of-the-art science laboratories, a drama studio with theatre seating, a four-court sports hall and fitness studio, music technology, multiple design and technology suites including food, graphics and a workshop, two large Art rooms and well-resourced information technology suites for student use. We prepare our students for today's rigorous examinations by engendering a culture of study supported by our new library and eLearning resources. Our programme of free additional teaching and tutoring – including before and after school, Saturday and holiday lessons – is unparalleled.

We warmly invite you to visit the school at one of our Open Events, or by appointment throughout the year, to witness for yourself the exceptional community that is Salvatorian College.

Martin Tissot, MA, MBA, NPQH Executive Headteacher, Salvatorian College Chief Executive, The Cardinal Hume Academies Trust





#### The highest qaulity of TEACHING AND LEARNING

The staff of Salvatorian College are focussed on ensuring that pedagogy is of the highest quality. As a partner of the Cardinal Hume Academies Trust, collaborative approaches are taken to planning and developing teaching and resources. Standards are monitored rigorously and training provided so that staff remain at the cutting edge of educational practice. Teachers keep up to date with developments in their subject areas within the changing demands of the school curriculum.

We subscribe to various online providers to ensure student resources are accessible from home. Pace, challenge and skilful questioning are consistent features in encouraging our students to think critically and develop their numeracy and literacy. Students are taught in sensibly sized classes – grouped as appropriate, according to ability, aptitude or interest – to ensure that the individual's learning needs can be met.

Homework is integral to fostering progress and is both differentiated and supplemented by 'challenge tasks', so students consolidate their knowledge and advance their learning. The progress of students is kept under regular review and progress grades are sent home frequently.

Teachers recognise that children learn in a variety of ways and so we strive to tailor approaches, techniques and technologies to maximise progress for all.



### A school with an INSPIRING CURRICULUM

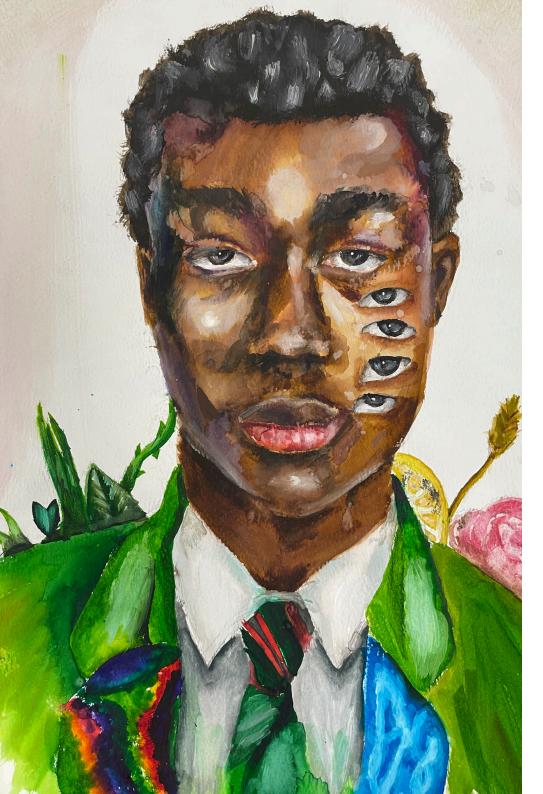
Our curriculum is broad, balanced and diverse, building on the framework of the National Curriculum. It is thoughtfully structured and engaging. It empowers all our students to develop the knowledge and skills needed to become lifelong learners, fit for employment in the modern workplace. We form students who have a sense of their own worth and who have aspirations to develop their talents. Students leave Salvatorian College ready to seize the opportunities that come their way.

We cement skills, understanding, and knowledge, through regular and systematic revisiting of subject content. Students come to master their subjects through effective long-term recall of knowledge. Our extensive after-school and Saturday curriculum consists of revision lessons for pupils taking public examinations and a wide variety of clubs, sports and activities. We provide supported study until 6pm with our 'Evening Prep'.

At Key Stage 4 we offer an eclectic range of GCSE and vocational courses to suit the academic, creative, sporting and practical learner including Art, Business Studies, Design & Technology, Drama, Geography, History, Modern Foreign Languages, Computer Science, Psychology, Sociology and Sport.

By building on "the best that's been thought and said" in human history, our ambitious curriculum engenders an appreciation of knowledge, creativity and achievement. Salvatorian College students have the opportunity and means to become a part of the great legacy of human learning and endeavour.

"Leaders are committed to providing pupils with a broad and balanced academic education." Ofsted "Leaders have developed a curriculum that is ambitious for all pupils." Ofsted



# A wealth of enriching opportunities EDUCATING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

At Salvatorian College we believe in educating the whole child. There is a broad meta-curriculum that gives students the opportunity to develop and expand on their interests.

Our annual 'Wider Horizons' week offers a range of exciting trips and experiences. We capitalise on the the cultural richness of London by running regular trips to the nation's centres of excellence, such as the Kensington museums, the National Theatre and the Globe Theatre, to name just a few. Foreign trips include an annual pilgrimage to Rome, skiing and, in recent years, a trip to China.

Extra-curricular clubs include: music, drama, art, technology, economics, humanities, politics, languages, and the Duke of Edinburgh award. Subsidised music lessons are offered to all pupils, providing an opportunity to acquire graded qualifications and join local choirs, bands and orchestras.

Salvatorian College has a long tradition of excellence in sport and we make use of our superb facilities which include an activity studio and multi-court sports hall to provide coaching in martial arts, cricket, athletics, football, basketball, volleyball, table tennis and Olympic weightlifting to name but a few. Salvatorian College stands out in that rugby still forms a core part of the physical education curriculum and extra-curricular provision is extensive through our links with local rugby clubs.

The school operates a charity giving calendar and our responsibility to help those less fortunate than ourselves is important to our ethos. Students are encouraged to engage in their community through social action and volunteering, in addition to fundraising and advocacy.

"Leaders provide pupils with a range of clubs and activities to enrich their education and promote healthy lifestyles." Ofsted







Caring and professional approaches to PASTORAL CARE, GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT

We pride ourselves on looking after our students as if they were our own. We value each individual as unique and created in the image of God. Pastoral care is led by dedicated Heads of Year, ably supported by Form Tutors. Heads of Year and Form Tutors work in partnership with parents to ensure that students are safe, happy, making good progress and exceeding their academic targets.

The transition to Year 7 begins in Year 5 with visits by our expert Head of Year 7 to feeder primary schools. The transition programme is carefully structured and includes 'taster days' and an optional weeklong summer school. This ensures that, before their first day, each student is comfortable and familiar with the school.

We have a strong sense of community. Students are proud of their school and their Salvatorian heritage. Friendships forged at Salvatorian College last a lifetime, as evidenced by our extensive and active alumni network which raises tens of thousands of pounds each year to invest back into the 'alma mater'.

Form Tutors work with the Head of Teaching and Learning to ensure that additional support is put in place for students who are falling behind in their studies. Students are rewarded, when they do well, with a variety of initiatives including high-value prizes chosen by students through our e-Praise system. We are an inclusive school and value every student regardless of ability or aptitude. Our Additional Needs department offers a broad range of support including reading lessons, one-to-one tuition, homework club, and targeted support to

ensure all pupils can access the curriculum.

Those students of high ability are nurtured and challenged through the Higher Project Qualification among other initiatives. Stretching targets are set for all students, regardless of their starting points. Staff foster ambition and support success.

Our Catholic ethos is woven into the day-to-day practices and routines of school life. All classes begin with prayer, and there are additional opportunities for daily prayer before school and at lunchtimes. Form group Masses take place weekly on a rota and once a half-term a different Year Group attends Mass in St Joseph's Church. Whole-school Masses and liturgies take place on Holy Days of Obligation and other important feasts. The Blessed Sacrament is reserved in our beautiful, purpose-built Chapel so that the presence of Christ is truly at the centre of our school. Catholic students are encouraged to serve at Mass and take an active role in the maintenance of the Chaplaincy. Our students are challenged to discover and celebrate the spirituality in their own lives and to see God's work in those around them. Students from other faith backgrounds are respected and supported in their own faith journeys: we are a Catholic school, but a school not just for Catholics.

Student leadership is well developed through the Student Council, the Prefect system and peer mentoring which supports outstanding behaviour in the school. Students are encouraged through a variety of means to have a voice in the running of the school.

Students' success at school is only possible with the support of parents; journals, the school website and our weekly parent newsletter are vital channels of communication between home and school. Our lively Parent Teacher Association fosters additional links between home and school and enriches our community through events and fundraising. Our school is a safe and happy place to be.



## An education for the **FUTURE**

The Governors of the school are committed to securing the highest level of support to ensure strong academic results for our students. A unique feature of Salvatorian College is the length to which we go to support our pupils through the provision of fully-funded extra lessons and tuition which take place before school, at lunchtimes, after school, on Saturdays and during holiday periods. As a result, compared to peers at other schools, Salvatorian College students consistently exceed the national average for progress and attainment at GCSE. High academic achievement means students are well placed to take advantage of the rigorous academic programmes of further study offered at Sixth Form level. We are assiduous in preparing our pupils for further education, university and careers with a programme that starts from Year 7. We are proud that our students leave us at the end of Year 11 as confident, polite, and well-rounded young men with ambitious aims for the future.

Personal, Social, Health and Careers Education is taught directly but also incorporated into the wider curriculum. Themed assemblies and 'drop down days' take place throughout the year to ensure our students are fully conversant in the complex issues which they face in the wider world. Relationship and Sex Education is incorporated throughout the curriculum and is taught in a faith-sensitive manner whilst conforming to national requirements.

We place great importance on virtuous character formation, and encourage our students to take a value-led approach to decision making. Our school values are grounded in Christian and universal human values. It is our ambition that Salvatorian students become successful leaders in the world of tomorrow. It is our ambition also that they become not just leaders, but leaders of good influence.

"Leaders seek to develop in pupils the virtues that will help them to become leaders of good influence." Ofsted



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