

# Mount St Mary's College



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## A Catholic School in the Jesuit tradition, welcoming children of all denominations

Mount St Mary's College, established in 1842, with its preparatory school, Barlborough Hall, is a strong community of around 500 students between the ages of 3 and 18. The schools are located in two country villages in north Derbyshire, ten miles to the south of Sheffield. They are both easily accessible being just two minutes from Junction 30 of the M1 and only two hours by train from London and 90 minutes from Birmingham or Manchester.

## Academic

Our aim at Mount St Mary's is to develop the talents and potential of every child. Parents choose Mount St Mary's because of the emphasis on each pupil as an individual. Mount St Mary's encourages pupils of all abilities to reach their full potential and achieves outstanding results, with pupils leaving for top universities. Academic scholarships are awarded at 11, 13 and in the sixth form. (Scholarships in music and sport are also available).

## Boarding

Our boarding houses are of a high standard with the vast majority offering en-suite accommodation. Under the care of resident house staff, the boarding houses provide a happy and secure environment in which each young person can grow intellectually, emotionally and socially. Boarding staff are in regular contact with families to ensure that new boarders are happy in this different environment and boarders are generally enthused and participating fully in school life. During the school week and weekend there are numerous organised activities and outings to ensure boarders have the opportunity to try new activities and experiences.

## Facilities

The College has excellent facilities and has made considerable investment to meet the demands and challenges of the future. Facilities include an all-weather athletics track, a multi gym and fitness suite, music school and refurbished theatre, along with a new Art and Design Centre, music studio, chaplaincy and Sixth Form Centre. The school is set in around 250 acres of beautiful English countryside and our grounds include a large number of rugby and football pitches along with field events and a newly laid cricket wicket.

## Sport, music and drama

The standard of sport is very high: 1st XV rugby has been very successful in recent seasons and prominent in national competitions, both at 15-a-side and



sevens. The girls also compete at the top level in hockey, netball and tennis. The College's prestigious grade A athletics stadium provides an outstanding opportunity for the pupils to train to a high level.

The same emphasis on excellence is given to music and drama. Many pupils play an instrument and the music at the College enjoys an excellent reputation within the local area. A number of choral and instrumental ensembles have enjoyed success in national competitions such as the National Festival of Music for Youth, as well as local festivals, and several pupils are members of national organisations such as the National Youth Orchestra. A large music tour to Rome is scheduled for April 2016.

Drama also flourishes at the school and a number of major productions are staged each year. The music and drama departments also co-produce a whole-school musical. Music and sports scholarships are both available.

## Extracurricular activities

The school offers over 50 activities from photography, astronomy and fencing, to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The Combined Cadet Force is compulsory in Year 10, with the option to join either the army or RAF section. Many opt to continue as cadets in the senior years.

Boarders participate fully in the extracurricular life of the school, with a full programme of events and activities organised every weekend.

*Educating the whole person academically, socially, physically and spiritually.*

## Key facts

**Type of school** Co-educational boarding and day

**Age range** 11-18

**Number of pupils** 30

**Number of boarders** 70

**Teacher/pupil ratio** 1:7

**Religious tradition** Roman Catholic

**Fees per term** Full boarding £6,762-£8,990;  
Weekly boarding £5,634-£7,252; Day £3,612-£4,149

**ISC associations** HMC, SofH

**Affiliations** AEGIS, ASCL, BSA, CISC



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