



PROSPECTUS 2025



Welcome



Thank you for your interest in Broughton Hall Catholic High School Sixth Form. My name is Sarah O'Rourke, and as Headteacher, I am delighted to invite you to learn more about the exciting opportunities that await you in our Sixth Form. Broughton Hall is the largest all-girls secondary school in the city, and we are immensely proud of our vibrant community and beautiful site. Rooted in our Mercy values, we are committed to providing a holistic education that nurtures every aspect of our students' development – academically, personally, and spiritually.

At Broughton Hall, we have high aspirations and high standards. Our curriculum offers both breadth and depth, ensuring that every young woman is equipped with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to succeed in the modern world. We aim to develop positive, compassionate leaders who will make a difference within their communities and beyond.

We are also focused on developing and strengthening partnerships with education and industry leaders to create a wide range of opportunities for work experience and personal development. These partnerships broaden horizons and allow our students to explore real-world contexts, preparing them to thrive in whichever path they choose – whether that be university, apprenticeships, or the world of work.

Our shared Sixth Form provision with Cardinal Heenan, is unique within the city. This collaboration offers outstanding study facilities, a wide choice of courses, and a dynamic environment where students benefit from the best of both schools. From the moment you join us, you will be supported by a dedicated and passionate team who are committed to helping you achieve your goals. You will be encouraged to work hard, to be ambitious, and to embrace every opportunity that comes your way.

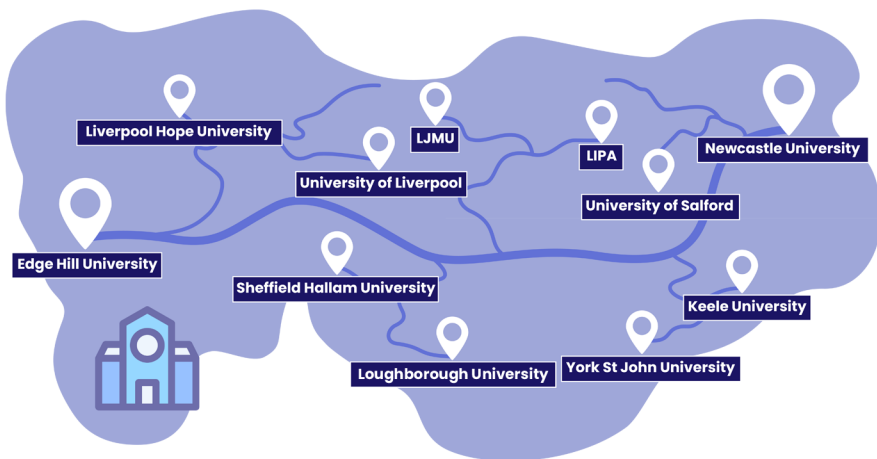
At Broughton Hall, we believe in empowering our young women to become role models for the next generation – confident, capable, and compassionate leaders ready to make a positive impact on the world. We look forward to welcoming you to our Sixth Form community and supporting you on the next stage of your journey.

Mrs O'Rourke

Mrs S O'Rourke – Head Teacher

Achievements & Outcomes

Broughton Hall Catholic High School Sixth Form is proud to celebrate another year of exceptional A-Level results, confirming our position as the top-performing Catholic girls' school for A-Levels in 2025. This summer's success reflects the dedication, ambition, and resilience of our students, supported by our outstanding teachers and pastoral team.



Our Sixth Form students have secured an impressive range of destinations, including highly competitive degree programmes in Medicine, Law, Teaching, Creative Arts, Geography, and STEM subjects, alongside a growing number progressing to degree apprenticeships and employment opportunities. These results demonstrate not only academic achievement but also our commitment to preparing every student for life beyond the classroom.



Facilities



Our Sixth Form boasts first-class facilities, including a dedicated centre exclusively for our students. The university-style study area is equipped with desktops, laptops, and a wide range of subject resources, all within a calm, library-like environment. Spacious, well-resourced classrooms create a true college feel, while our vibrant social space and well-stocked café featuring Costa Coffee and student-inspired menus make every day enjoyable both academically and socially.



Tutorial Time

Students receive a 30-minute tutorial each morning with their Form Tutor. This provides students with an opportunity to discuss their progress, develop study skills and consider their future aspirations. Form Tutors pass on many opportunities that may benefit the students and develop their employability skills.

Private Study

Our study area is open daily from 8:30am – 4:30pm and our students work in the study area during any non-contact time. We have a full time Study Supervisor, Mr Aster, who manages the study area and provides students with additional support, including one-to-one tutorials, help with personal statements and proof-reading work. Mr Aster is also a fully trained A Level teacher and delivers Global Perspectives and EPQ.

Community Hours

Every Year 12 student is expected to complete 25 community hours during the academic year and students are encouraged to support in areas of personal interest. Community hours help raise the profile of Sixth Form students within the school and local community. Students can develop and improve key skills, such as communication, organisation, leadership, time management and co-operation.



Core RE

All post 16 students nationally are required to follow a programme of religious education in Sixth Form. Approved by the Archdiocese of Liverpool, the purpose of it is to enable the students to engage with the modern world as it exists today and to ask what their place in it is. Lessons enable students to identify diverse religious beliefs and explore their own position on religion and faith, through thinking about their experiences of life and the values of contemporary culture. It also allows them to develop their own individual moral reasoning skills which they will be able to relate to different religious traditions.

PSHE

PSHE and RSE at Sixth Form considers knowledge, skills and attitudes that have been developed at KS4. The core themes that are covered are, Health and Well Being, Relationships, living in the wider world which includes economic wellbeing, careers, and Citizenship. Students receive PSHE during form time.



Enrichment Lesson

Year 12 students partake in 1 hour of Enrichment per week. They choose from a number of courses throughout the year that interest them and support and develop their skills within chosen areas. Students can currently choose from, Reading for Pleasure, Finance Matters, Criminal Profiling, Art and Design, Chaplaincy, Youth Forum, Scholars, Social Mobility Foundation, Gardening and Study Support.

Leadership Team

A key strength of Broughton Hall Sixth Form is our strong sense of community. Students describe feeling a true sense of belonging, nurtured through outstanding pastoral care, daily tutor support, and a close partnership between staff and students. Our student leadership programme empowers young women to develop confidence, independence, and a sense of responsibility – qualities that serve them well at university and beyond.

My name is Ava, and I am the Head Girl at Broughton Hall Sixth Form. I am currently studying A levels in English Literature, English Language, and Maths, with the hope of studying Accounting at university, where I can continue to develop my love for analysis and problem solving.

I chose Broughton Hall Sixth Form because of its wide range of opportunities and its supportive environment, which allows me to feel confident and motivated in my studies. The teachers genuinely care about helping us achieve our academic goals, and there is always someone available to offer guidance on university applications, UCAS, or future career options.

Since joining Sixth Form, I have grown greatly in confidence and independence. This growth inspired me to pursue a position on the leadership team as Head Girl.

In this role, I have been able to take an active part in shaping our school community and give back the same support I've received from staff to others in Sixth Form.

Overall, I am proud to be part of Broughton Hall Sixth Form and to contribute to its positive, ambitious environment full of hardworking and supportive people. If you're thinking about joining, I would definitely say—go for it!



My name is Jada, and I am a Year 13 student at Broughton Hall Sixth Form. I am currently studying A levels in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, and I aspire to study Medicine at university.

When I first joined Broughton Hall as an external student, I was quite nervous about starting in both a new school and a new country. However, from the very beginning, I felt genuinely supported and welcomed by not only the staff but also the students. The community made it easy to settle in, and there was always someone available to help whenever I needed it.

Over time, I've grown more confident and comfortable here, which has encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone and try new things—such as becoming part of the Student Leadership Team.

Joining Broughton Hall Sixth Form has been such a positive experience, and I'm so glad I made the decision to come here.



Requirements



Students must achieve at least three GCSEs at grade 5 and two GCSEs at grade 4. In addition, students studying academic or mixed pathways should hold an average point score of 4.5 or above, while those studying a full applied pathway will be considered with an average point score of 4.0 or above. Students also need to meet the entry requirements of individual subjects. These are available on the Sixth Form Options Form and on the school website.

Students without a grade 4 in Mathematics or English Language will be required to retake these subjects in Sixth Form alongside level 3 qualifications. The school reserves the right to remove courses in the September if numbers are not viable; students who have been offered a place at sixth form will be permitted to move to a different course. Acceptance into Sixth Form onto any course remains dependent on the students' GCSE grades and suitability to level 3 courses based upon level 2 performance.

A-Level

These are two year linear courses and assessment will be mainly exams at the end of the course in Year 13.

Vocational (Applied General)

Vocational courses are assessed through coursework and exam. These are particularly suited to students who prefer more coursework based learning. A minimum of 3 courses must be studied throughout Year 12 and Year 13. Students will study GCSE English Language and/or Maths if a 4 is not obtained at the end of Year 11. This will be in addition to two to three Level 3 courses.



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What do we offer?

A bespoke programme designed to support, challenge, and inspire you to achieve success at top universities, demanding courses and degree apprenticeships.

Entry requirement: Grade average 6+

**Dedicated tutor
group for focused
guidance**

**Experienced curriculum
& pastoral team
support every step of
the way**

**Dedicated UCAS
advisor for tailored
university guidance**

**Visits to Oxford &
Cambridge to explore
top universities**

**April Information
Morning – UCAS
launch for early
entry students**

**Alumni &
professional
sessions with
inspiring guests**

**1:1 support from
subject specialists
and careers advisor**

**Practice interviews
& admissions
preparation**

Sixth Form Team

The Sixth Form Team and I are delighted that you're considering continuing your post-16 education with us. At Broughton Hall Sixth Form, you'll join a community that empowers resilient, confident individuals to live out our Mercy Values through excellence and service.

We provide an ambitious education with exceptional support in an environment that helps you grow as an independent learner. Your study programme will be tailored to your needs and aspirations, ensuring the right fit for your future goals.

Alongside your academic studies, you will benefit from a wide range of enrichment and work experience opportunities designed to develop your employability and personal skills. Whatever your next step; university, training, or employment, we will help you achieve it.

We are proud of our students' achievements and the positive impact they make in society. Our alumni continue to inspire, showing just how much is possible. Whatever you aspire to become, you can become at Broughton.

Miss Anderson

Head of Sixth Form



Sixth Form Team



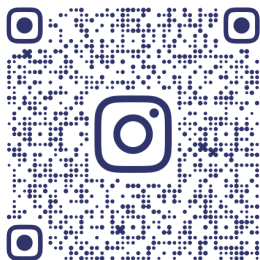
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