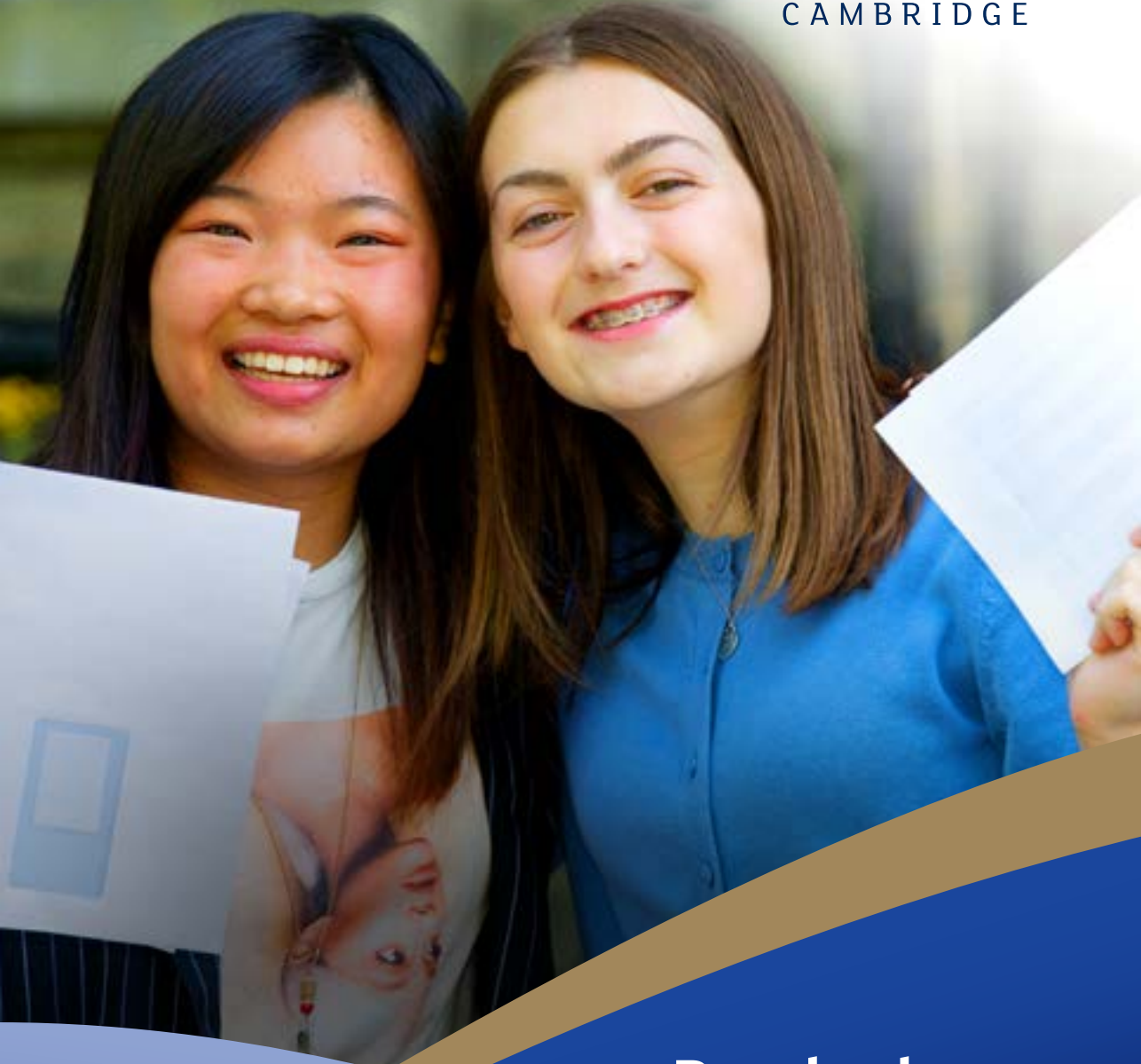




St Mary's School
CAMBRIDGE



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**Results, leaver
destinations and
GCSE courses 2020/22**

Yes She Can

Each summer we celebrate our exceptional academic results with great pride. They represent the hard work of our students and the dedicated support of our teachers and parents.

At St Mary's, academic excellence is balanced by the value we place on characteristics and talents that examinations cannot measure. We see the stories behind every A* (8-9) grade: the girls who possess great courage or kindness, those who champion change, light up a stage or take the lead with confidence.

As this year's students enter our Sixth Form, I look forward to watching their individual stories evolve. Looking to the future, I feel great optimism about the potential held within this compassionate, capable generation of young people.

Mrs Charlotte Avery
Headmistress

"I feel I have been pushed at St Mary's to reach my full potential and I am very happy with my results! I'm excited to stay for St Mary's Sixth Form."

St Mary's student



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GCSE results 2019

☆ **40%**
A* (9-8) grades

☆ **61%**
A*/A (9-7) grades

☆ **80%**
A*-B (9-6) grades

A Level results 2019

St Mary's Sixth Form students also celebrated a strong performance at A Level:

☆ **51%** A*/A grades

☆ **73%** A*-B grades

☆ **92%** A*-C grades

Which path will you choose?

When choosing your GCSE options it is important to think about your future. Our subject-specialist teachers and dedicated careers department will be happy to support you in your decision-making.

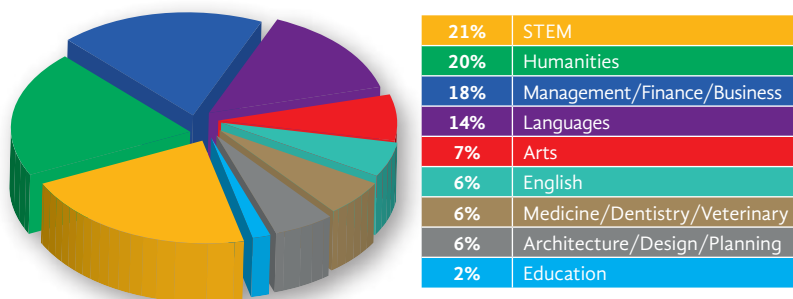
St Mary's girls go on to secure places on renowned courses at leading UK universities, conservatoires, art schools and international universities.

Leaver destinations 2019

Our 2019 Sixth Form leaver destinations include: Civil Engineering at Nottingham, History of Art at the Courtauld Institute of Art, Actuarial Science at Manchester, Primary Education at Durham, Textiles at Nottingham, Interior Design at Southampton, Neuroscience at St Andrews and Acting at Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

Each year we see a great breadth of achievement, with students pursuing courses that reflect their unique ambitions across all disciplines.

University courses by subject type*



*Based on two years of data

2019 Universities

Bournemouth	Liverpool
Ballet Theatre UK	Manchester
Bath	Nottingham
Brighton	Nottingham Trent
Courtauld Institute of Art	Queen Mary, London
Durham	Southampton
Edinburgh	Southampton Solent
Glasgow	St Andrews
Hull	Surrey
Leeds	Warwick
Leicester	York

2019 Courses

Accounting	Geology
Accounting and Finance	Geography
Actuarial Science	Interior Design
Art	Law
Costume and Performance Design	Modern Languages
Civil Engineering	Neuroscience
Classical Civilisation	Primary Education
Computer Science	Psychology
Creative Advertising	Sociology
Criminology	Sociology with Social Psychology
Economics	Textile Design

2018 Universities

Anglia Ruskin University	University of Birmingham
Aston University	University of Brighton
Bath Spa University	University of Bristol
Birmingham City University	University of Cambridge
Central Saint Martins	University of Durham
City University of London	University of East Anglia
Coventry University	University of Exeter
Durham University	University of Leeds
Imperial College London	University of Manchester
Loughborough University	University of Nottingham
London School of Economics	University of Oxford
Nottingham Trent University	University of Southampton
Oxford Brookes University	University of St Andrews
Royal Veterinary College	University of Warwick
University of Arts, London	University of Westminister, London
University of Bath	University of York

2018 Courses

Acting	International Relations
Art	Investment and Financial Risk Management
Accounting and Finance	Marketing
Architecture	Mathematics
Biomedical Sciences	Mathematics and Statistics
Built Environment	Medicine
Business Management	Modern Languages
Chemical Engineering	Music
Chemistry	Photography
Computer Science	Physics
Design for Branded Spaces	Politics and International Relations
Economics	Psychology
English	Speech and Language Therapy
Fashion and Business Management	Veterinary Science
Geography	
History	
History and Politics	
International Hospitality Management	

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GCSE and IGCSE courses 2020/22

Follow in the footsteps of our brilliant class of 2019. Gain the grades, support, confidence and skills you need to achieve your future goals.

CORE SUBJECTS

English Literature, English Language, Mathematics, Religious Studies

Students for whom English is not their first language have the option to choose English as an Additional Language (EAL).

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS

Choose **six options**, including **two or three science** subjects.

SCIENCES	OPTIONAL SUBJECTS		
Three science IGCSES: Biology/Chemistry/Physics OR Two science IGCSES (Science Double Award covering Biology, Chemistry and Physics)	Art and Design Classical Civilisation Computer Science Drama English Language Support (ELS)	French Food Preparation & Nutrition Geography German History Latin	Learning Support Mandarin Chinese Music Spanish Textile Design

ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS

Consider adding an additional off-timetable subject to your selection: Additional Mathematics, Classical Greek, Latin (Level 1 Certificate)

EXTEND AND ENHANCE

Alongside your academic studies, St Mary's is full of opportunities to extend learning, gain experience and to explore your interests. Further off-timetable options include the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and Arts Award schemes.

Visit: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/extend

Details correct at time of going to print, September 2019

GCSE course details: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcse

CORE SUBJECTS

 **59%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in English Literature

 **54%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in English Language

 **47%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Mathematics

 **65%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Religious Studies

English Literature

This course invites you to consider human behaviour and our complex world through the exploration of literature. With texts including poetry, 19th century writing, Shakespeare, contemporary fiction and drama – there is plenty to spark curiosity and inspire discussion.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/english

English Language

Develop your ability to express ideas clearly, engage in discussion and to consider different points of view. Using the English language to communicate effectively is a vital life skill, no matter what your future career path!

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcseenglishlang

Mathematics

Master the mathematical tools you need for everyday life through this engaging, varied course. Key topics include algebra, statistics, geometry and probability – skills that will prepare you for higher level study across a wide range of subjects.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsemaths

Religious Studies

Explore Christianity and Judaism, as you deepen your understanding of religion in society. You will consider religious, societal and personal responses to moral themes including: relationships; the environment; medical ethics; war and peace; human rights and social justice; and the origins of the universe and life.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsers




ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (EAL)

If English is not your first language, you can opt to study EAL as an alternative to GCSE English qualifications. Our EAL course leads to the internationally recognised Cambridge English qualifications.

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SCIENCE

Your course selection must include **two** or **three** science IGCSEs.

-  **79%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Biology
-  **69%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Chemistry
-  **74%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Physics

“St Mary’s empowered and encouraged me. They are really strong on women in science so I felt really supported.”

St Mary’s student

Option 1: Three separate science IGCSEs

Biology

Choose IGCSE Biology to understand the structures and functions that underpin life itself, from the tiniest cell to complex ecosystems and topical issues such as genetic modification and food production.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsebiology

Chemistry

Study atoms, chemical equations, metals, atmospheric gases and more! As you perform practical experiments to test, separate, identify and titrate you will reveal key patterns and themes in chemistry, across different contexts.

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Physics

From creating electrical circuits to exploring the Big Bang, IGCSE Physics will develop your problem-solving and analytical skills as you explore how our world works, through topics such as electricity, waves, astrophysics and magnetism.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsephysics

Option 2: Science Double Award

Science Double Award (worth two IGCSEs)

The Double Award course covers all three science subject. This option is ideal if you are uncertain if you want to continue studying science post-16, or plan to pursue science but wish to include other subjects in your overall selection.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcse-science



STEM

 **43%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Computer Science

 **76%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Food Preparation and Nutrition

Computer Science

Develop problem-solving and creative thinking skills to tackle real-world problems using computational thinking. Computer science is the UK’s fastest growing employment sector and through this GCSE you will gain valuable skills for the work place of the future, including coding with Python, HTML, systems architecture, software and data representation.

Please note: if you are studying three separate science IGCSEs, you can choose Computer Science as an additional seventh option.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsecomputerscience

Food Preparation and Nutrition

Be creative and collaborate with others as you develop your technical skills in this rewarding, practical subject. As well as producing delicious food, you will study nutrition to understand the science that underpins cookery and deepen your knowledge of healthy eating.

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FUTURE PATHS IN STEM

Medicine, veterinary medicine, environmental science, biotechnology, conservation, physiotherapy, pharmacology, astrophysics, forensic science, computing, engineering, information technology, software design, web design, accounting, law, architecture...

“The music department is pretty amazing at St Mary’s and they have been enthusiastic from the get go.”

St Mary’s student

THE ARTS

-  **61%** (A*/A) grades in Art and Design
-  **68%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Drama
-  **100%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Music
-  **90%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Textile Design

Art and Design

Build your technical skills as you respond visually and critically to the world, developing creative ideas using a range of media. This course enables you to express your own identity, as well as exploring how art provides a unique window into other cultures and historical events.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcseart

Drama

Broaden your knowledge of drama by studying contrasting works including the brilliant play ‘An Inspector Calls’. This varied course invites you to experience and respond to live theatre, as well as creating your own work and showcasing your skills as a performer or designer.

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Music

Explore traditional and contemporary musical styles through this accessible, flexible course – including classical, pop, jazz and film music. With freedom to compose your own music, you can explore your own creativity, alongside developing experience as both a solo and ensemble performer.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsemusic

Textile Design




Study a wide range of media, techniques and processes, in both traditional and new technologies including computerised embroidery and digital printing. Enjoy creating your own designs, informed by a deeper understanding of other designers and the different functions of textile design.

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FUTURE PATHS IN THE ARTS

Film, interactive media, illustration, graphic communication, illustration, graphic design, fashion design, theatre design, millinery, costume design, textile design, fashion journalism, architecture, performance, theatre production, film-making, community work, education...

LANGUAGES

-  **59%** A*/A grades in German
-  **54%** A*/A grades in Mandarin Chinese
-  **47%** 9-7 (A*/A) grades in Spanish

French

Develop your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills, through a range of relevant, engaging topics. Learn to convey key information in French, covering a variety of aspects of your life.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsefrench

German

From enjoying meals with a host family, to travelling on public transport, booking holidays and sharing your hobbies, daily routines, career ambitions and views on social issues – this course offers all the skills you need to communicate effectively in German.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsegerman

Latin

Discover the influence of Latin on the English language, as you translate key mythology and historical texts from ancient Rome. Delve deeper into this fascinating world of gods and gladiators using translated work, written by some of Rome’s greatest thinkers.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcselatin

Mandarin Chinese

Chinese is the world’s most prevalent language, with one trillion native speakers and as an official language in Singapore, Malaysia and Taiwan. Learning this language will place you one step ahead.

 stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsechinese

Spanish

Develop Spanish language skills to communicate in a variety of situations, including the workplace. As your skills develop, you will also explore aspects of Hispanic culture and its traditions and festivals.

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FUTURE PATHS IN LANGUAGES

Journalism, interpretation, linguistics, tourism, international business, education, diplomatic service, marketing...

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

If English is not your first language, this option provides extra assistance with language skills to aid progression in other subjects. It can be taken as an alternative to a Modern Foreign Language and support will be tailored to match your individual learning needs.

This option does not lead to a qualification.

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HUMANITIES

100%

9-6 (A*-B) grades in Classical Civilisation

83%

9-7 (A*/A) grades in Geography

77%

9-7 (A*/A) grades in History

FUTURE PATHS IN HUMANITIES

Business, politics, law, conservation, education, heritage, marketing, journalism, market research, finance, social work, counselling...

Classical Civilisation

Explore the story of Hercules and Theseus, the foundation of Rome and the great battles, beliefs and cultural artefacts of the ancient world. You will also study the gods, monsters and cannibals of the Odyssey, as you consider themes of vengeance, love, justice and fate.

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcseclassics

Geography

Discover more about our awe-inspiring world, from rainforest destruction and extreme weather, to the impact of man-made developments such as Eko Atlantic. Closer to home, a fieldwork trip to Snowdonia National Park will develop your data collection and presentations skills – all part of the diverse geographer's skill-set.

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsegeography

History

Interpret and understand how historical events have shaped our world, through questions such as: 'What happens when democracy fails?' or 'Why did the Holocaust take place?'. By studying international relations, not only in Western Europe but in Russia, Asia and the Middle East, you will gain vital insight into the events that shaped the 20th century.

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsehistory

LEARNING SUPPORT

If you undertook Learning Support lessons in Key Stage 3, you can choose to continue these in Years 10 and 11. These lessons will respond to your individual needs and typically include support with coursework, revision and key topics.

Learning Support can be selected in place of one GCSE option, but does not lead to a qualification.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR OPTIONS

Some students opt to expand their (I)GCSE range with **one** of the extra-curricular subjects below.

100%

A-B grades in Additional Mathematics

100%

9 (A*) grades in Classical Greek

Additional Mathematics

For talented mathematicians, this free standing mathematics qualification is an opportunity to further your skills beyond the GCSE syllabus. The content will introduce you to higher level skills, which form part of the A Level Mathematics course.

Open to students in Mathematics Set 1 or 2 at the start of Year 10. Taught on Tuesday, Period 6.

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcseaddmaths

Classical Greek GCSE

Study this fascinating language, through engaging stories of the ancient world. If you have a talent for languages and are motivated to study, this qualification makes an impressive addition to any CV and is particularly valuable for aspiring medics and dentists.

Please note: This course is taught after school, with students from St Bede's Inter-Church School.

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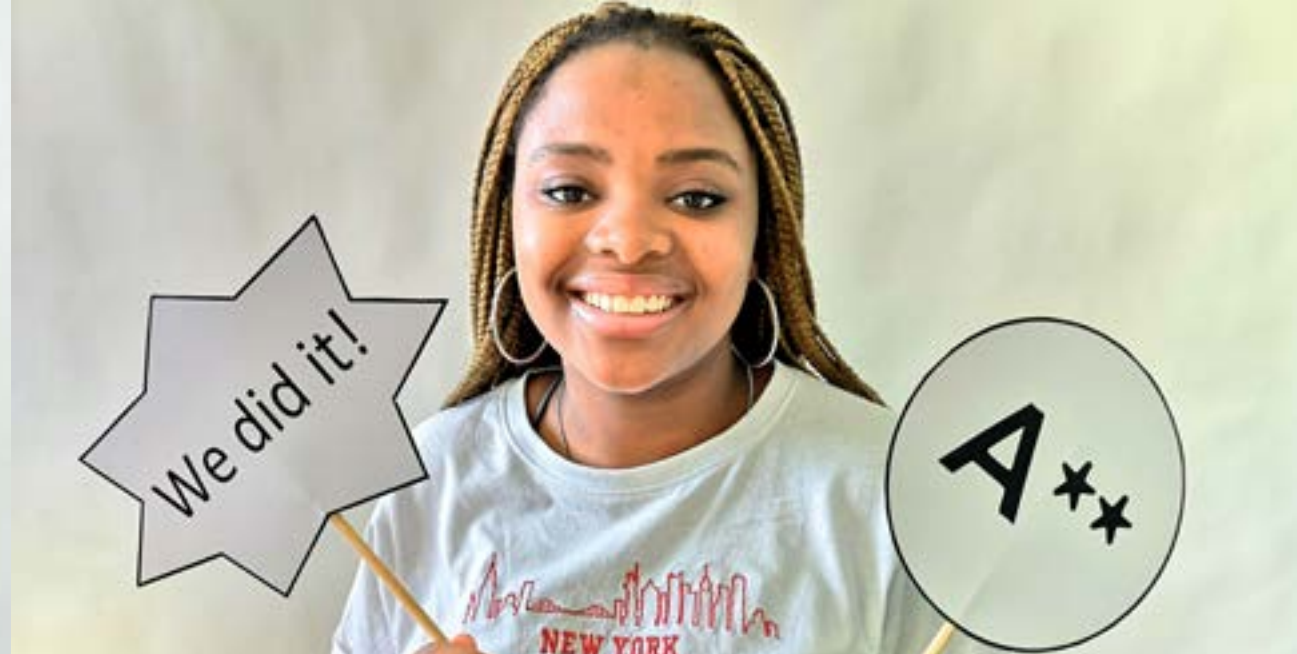
Latin Level 1 Certificate

If you are keen to study Latin, but have a full selection of other subjects, this Level 1 qualification will add another string to your bow. Applying your language skills, you will learn to translate and comprehend key ancient texts.

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcselatinshort

"I feel I have come full circle. These results couldn't be a better ending to being at a school that teaches you to be yourself rather than anyone else."

St Mary's student



Joining St Mary's

We welcome girls with a broad range of academic abilities, who are enthusiastic and have a desire to engage in learning.

We accept applications to all year groups except Year 11, but typically girls join us:

- In **Junior School** for the complete St Mary's experience
- In **Year 7** (age 11+) to build towards Key Stage 4
- In **Year 9** (age 13+) to begin (I)GCSE studies

Visit us

We warmly invite you to arrange a **personal visit** or to attend an **open event**, to understand more about life at St Mary's and to meet our leadership team, staff and students.

Contact us for further information:
admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk
stmaryscambridge.co.uk/visit
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Next steps

Your choices

For further information about each GCSE course, please visit:
stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcse

Download and complete the following forms:

Preliminary Choices – return by 29 January 2020

Final Choices – return by 10 February 2020

Download forms at:

stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcsechoices

Further information

Academic results: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/results

Leaver destinations: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/destinations

Extension and enrichment: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/sixthextend

Annual review: stmaryscambridge.co.uk/magnolian

Once a St Mary's girl,
always a St Mary's girl!



“St Mary's encourages you in all aspects of school life: academia, extra-curricular and creative subjects.”

St Mary's student

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