



St Mary's School  
CAMBRIDGE



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# Junior School & Senior School

Empowering girls since 1898

Independent day & boarding school for girls



# Welcome

Choose a school that believes in your daughter's potential.

Here, she will find the inspiration, opportunity and support she needs to discover and pursue her individual talents with confidence and joy.

Our approach will enable her intellectual and social confidence to flourish. We empower girls to realise their potential, to follow their dreams and to make a positive contribution to society.

Whatever future path your child chooses... engineer, artist, programmer, leader, linguist, mathematician, athlete, musician, citizen... at St Mary's we believe that **YES SHE CAN.**

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*“Pupils are mature, reflective, self-confident without being arrogant, and highly aware of the needs of others.”*

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# Why choose St Mary's?

From our Cambridge location and academic results, to our extra-curricular opportunities and inspiring role models – there are many reasons to choose us.

## St Mary's girls aim high

As an accredited High Performance Learning World Class school, we teach skills and attitudes proven to help young people to aim high – not just in exams, but in life.

## St Mary's girls set no limits

Here, everything is for girls: leadership, science, mathematics, sport... our girls break down gender stereotypes, pursuing their goals free of limitation.

## St Mary's girls have integrity

As a Mary Ward School, our education is built on our Catholic heritage, which places timeless values such as integrity, justice and compassion at the heart of everyday school life.

## St Mary's girls have courage

Each girl's individual talents are valued, and they develop the self-belief, courage and resilience they need to make their unique contribution to the world.

## St Mary's girls are happy

We know our girls can achieve more if they are happy at school. Supported by exceptional pastoral care and a well-being programme, friendships and happiness flourish here.

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*“St Mary's has made me feel really comfortable with being myself.”*

*Nina, Student*

*“Graduates of girls' schools are **six times more likely** to consider majoring in maths, science, and technology and **three times more likely** to consider engineering compared to girls who attended coed schools.”*

*National Coalition of Girls' Schools*

*“If every child had this kind of education the world would be a better place.”*

*Parent*





# Empowering girls since 1898

Your daughter will join a welcoming community of girls, aged 4 to 18, from all faiths and secular backgrounds.

Inspired by the life of our foundress, Mary Ward (1585-1645), a pioneer of education for girls, we excel at educating girls.

As a Mary Ward school, we offer a learning community rooted in faith. Our approach balances tradition with innovation, combining timeless values with a forward-looking approach to education.

Mary Ward lived a life of integrity, courage and love. As a role model for our girls, her achievements provide a core moral and spiritual foundation for life at St Mary's School.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/ethos](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/ethos)



*“I like the ethos of St Mary’s School ... it has a holistic approach to education and I think that the staff are as concerned about the social and emotional development of students, as they are with the examination results.”*

Parent

*“I don’t want to be a fashion designer. I am one.”*



Textile students apply their creativity in London Design Museum challenges and many go on to leading design institutions, such as the London School of Fashion.

**#YESSHECAN CREATE**



# Academic achievement

From Reception through to our Sixth Form, your daughter's natural curiosity will be ignited, as we nurture her love of learning to last her lifetime.

Across our Junior and Senior Schools, she will be supported to discover what motivates and inspires her. Rather than focusing on tests and exams, learning itself will be the goal and the reward.

Our consistently strong exam results, including Value-Added scores, from STEM subjects, to the creative and performing arts, languages and humanities – illustrate the success of our approach.

## Academic scholars

Our Academic Scholars programme provides plenty of scope to challenge more able students, through a wide range of activities, designed to further extend learning.

*“Pupils of all ages are highly articulate, apply their understanding readily to new situations, show exceptional creative skills and contribute to classroom discussion. Their attitudes to learning are exemplary.”*

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*“Academically, the average performance of girls (and boys) in single-sex independent schools is better than those in co-ed settings by a significant margin.”*

Curriculum, Evaluation and Management (CEM) Centre, Durham University





## St Mary's Junior School

AGE 4-11

Days full of discovery, creativity, friendship and fulfilment.

Girls join our vibrant school community, that has both a loving ethos at its core and a distinctive family feel, from the age of four onwards.

Our teachers take great pride in nurturing skills and attitudes that enable our girls to thrive, as they move seamlessly to Senior School, Sixth Form and life beyond school.



Through our Creative Curriculum, we will inspire your daughter's love of learning; building her intellectual independence, critical thinking, creativity and compassion, alongside her growing knowledge and skills.

*I warmly invite you to visit and see us in action.*

**Mr Matthew O'Reilly**  
Head of Juniors

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/headsblogjunior](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/headsblogjunior)



*"I don't want to be an artist.  
I am one."*

Make a teddy bear puppet, model an autumn tree, build a paper model village... our popular Pre-Prep Art Club is full of creative fun.

**#YESSHECAN CREATE**

# St Mary's Junior School

AGE 4-11





Working as a team



Creating in our bespoke art room



Experimenting with water play

# Space to succeed

Your daughter will join a small class of approximately 20 pupils, with ready access to the individual attention she deserves.

By getting to know her, we will offer exactly the right balance of support, inspiration and challenge she needs to succeed.

Your daughter’s happiness will be our priority, as we believe children achieve more if they are happy in school. Our pastoral care is tailored to suit girls, providing support that evolves with each stage of their development.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/junior](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/junior)

## Sport for all

Our ‘sport for all’ programme will help your daughter to lead a healthy lifestyle, as part of our commitment to supporting pupil happiness and well-being.

*“Their [pupil] development is extremely well supported not only by the Catholic spirituality at the heart of the school, but also the meticulous pastoral care, excellent relationships, and their own sense of pride.”*

ISI Report





# A loving and nurturing setting

Based in Chaucer Road, our learning environment is dynamic, unique, tranquil and safe.

In Reception to Year 2, your daughter will settle into the Coach House, our dedicated home to Early Years and our bespoke art room. In Years 3 to 6, pupils move to Acton House which includes our assembly hall, library, dance and gym facilities.

Outside, there is plenty to explore; a water play park, woodland space, sensory garden and multi-purpose sports court. Each summer, our outdoor theatre provides the perfect setting for a Shakespeare play.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/juniorsetting](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/juniorsetting)

## Parent Partnership

We support, encourage and equip parents in their role as the child's first educator – emotionally, spiritually and ethically, as well as academically. We believe that a good understanding and warm relationship between parents and teachers enhances each girl's education.

*“St Mary's is the best learning environment for both our daughters, even though they are so different!”*

Parent

## #YESSHECAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

A busy programme of activities raise awareness and funds for a range of causes, such as educating girls in Zimbabwe, sponsoring a child in Ethiopia, Fairtrade and a variety of local charities.

## A compassionate community

Our Catholic heritage and spiritual ethos sustain an international community of compassion, empathy and kindness. Here, your daughter will engage with the world through an age-appropriate understanding of society's issues and inequalities.



# Learning opportunities

Our broad, innovative curriculum will enable your daughter to establish her preferred learning styles as she prepares for Senior School.

A cross-curricular approach integrates subjects into engaging topics, which encourage creative, critical and reflective thinking. This will encourage your child to explore subjects in a way that sparks natural curiosity and innovative thinking.

As she grows, broader school life is full of ways to learn wider skills – such as resilience, leadership, teamwork and listening skills – through involvement in assemblies, trips, performances, fundraising, Eco Council activities, House meetings, meetings of our Tech Council, Arts Council and Faith Council, as well as our School Council.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/juniorcurriculum](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/juniorcurriculum)

## Assessment

We review progress in a way that minimises pressure, whilst enabling us to regularly communicate your child's progress.

## High Performance Learning

Our girls develop evidence-based High Performance Learning skills, such as confidence, collaboration, risk-taking and perseverance, setting a firm foundation for study and work in the future.

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*“I don't want to be an explorer.  
I am one.”*





# St Mary's girls are inspired

*“The trips away are a real highlight for the girls: teaching them independence and cooperation. They seem to be a good mix of fun and learning.”*

Parent

Whatever your child's interests or talents – from sport, drama and LAMDA qualifications, to coding, music, learning Mandarin, regular trips and our weekly STEM afternoons – our co- and extra-curricular activities are full of inspiration!

## Inspiring Cambridge

Robotics at Cambridge Science Centre, exploration with the Scott Polar Institute, creating masks in the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, extinction prevention at the Museum of Zoology... we take every opportunity to extend our classroom across Cambridge, opening up and enriching learning at every turn.

## Beyond Cambridge

From Computational Thinking with BT in Suffolk, to re-enacting Norman battles at Mountfitchet Castle, a variety of trips further afield bring learning to life.

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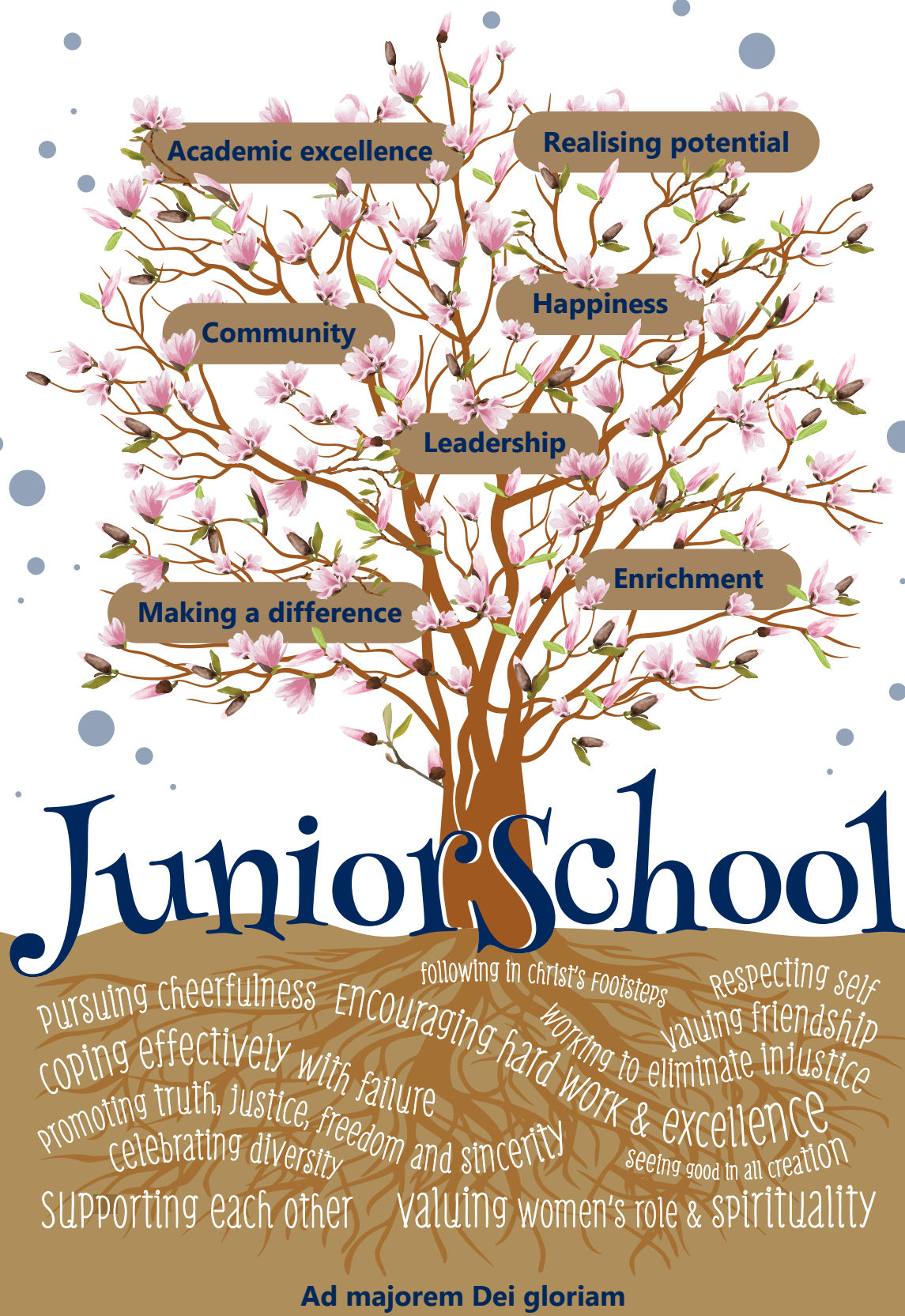
**#YESSHECAN  
REACH FOR THE STARS**

Guest speaker Abbie Hutty shared her experience of working on a mission to Mars:

*“I really enjoyed talking to the girls ... they asked brilliant questions. I hope that some will come to work in science and engineering in the future!”*

Abbie Hutty, Engineer, European Space Agency





## Routes to success at St Mary's Junior School

A beautiful magnolia tree sits at the heart of St Mary's School. It represents the core values that underpin our education, as well as our nurturing environment, in which every girl finds her unique route to success.

### Academic excellence

- A love of learning nurtured from day one
- A core set of High Performance Learning skills, attitudes and values
- A Creative Curriculum with integrated subjects & engaging topics
- Excellence in STEM & computer science
- High expectations with appropriate support
- A high number of trips to support and enliven topic learning

### Realising potential

- Individual talents recognised & encouraged
- c.20 pupils per class
- Each pupil's preferred learning styles identified & supported
- Subject specialists
- Exceptional CPD for teachers
- Dedicated learning support department (LEAP)

### Community

- Core values of respect, empathy & kindness
- Strong moral & spiritual guidance
- A welcoming 'family atmosphere'
- House system
- Our active PTA
- Excellent links with the local community in Cambridge
- Work with local primary schools to support the teaching of STEM
- Informal partnerships with University departments, including engineering

### Happiness

- Exceptional pastoral care
- Positive role models
- Our Parent Partnership
- Sport for all
- Healthy eating & balanced lives
- Mary Ward values
- A dedicated Pupil Voice and Wellbeing Coordinator
- The Girls on Board pastoral programme

### Enrichment

- Enriched learning opportunities across the city of Cambridge
- Extra- and co-curricular clubs: creating, coding, LAMDA, rowing, sports & more!
- National robotics competitions
- Enrichment programme
- Inspiring guest speakers
- Arts Award programme

### Leadership & making a difference

- School Council
- House meetings
- Opportunities to lead in faith, tech & arts councils
- Prefects
- Fundraising events
- Eco Council

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# Joining our Junior School

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

We accept applications for **all Junior School years** all year round, but typically girls join us:

- In **Reception** (age 4+) as early education is so formative
- In **Year 3** (age 7+) to begin Prep
- In **Year 5** (age 9+) to ease transition into our Senior School



Find out how to apply at:

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 +44 (0)1223 224 167  
[admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk](mailto:admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk)

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 or call +44 (0)1223 224 167



*“I don’t want to be an actor.  
I am one.”*

From Shakespeare on the lawn to Christmas Concerts and our Young Musician competitions – actors, singers, dancers, musicians and artists all have opportunities to perform and to shine.

**#YESSHECAN TAKE CENTRE STAGE**





## St Mary's Senior School

AGE 11-16

Our 17th century foundress, Mary Ward dedicated her life to educating girls – believing that ‘By God’s grace, women in time to come will do much’.

A firm belief that ‘**Yes She Can**’ continues to beat at the heart of St Mary’s and I encourage every girl to become all she can, in school and beyond.

With us, your daughter will experience a liberal, balanced and creative education, rooted in timeless values. School life is full of opportunity and joy: every day I hear laughter, see horizons expand and friendships flourish.

A St Mary’s education will equip your daughter with knowledge and skills, qualities and values that enable her to lead a life that benefits others, as well finding her own fulfilment.

**I warmly invite you to visit and see us in action.**

**Mrs Charlotte Avery,**  
Headmistress

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/headsblogsenior](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/headsblogsenior)

# St Mary's Senior School

AGE 11-16



*“I don’t want to be a leader.  
**I am one.**”*

*“St Mary’s opens girls’ minds to the world, to have not only knowledge and understanding of it, but to be able to reflect upon culture and society and to contribute significantly to it.”*

*Rachel Gleeson,  
Alumna and Governor*



# Being happy

For us, your daughter's happiness is as important as her academic achievement.

We believe results and happiness are inseparable: young people thrive and achieve more when they are happy in school.

In small classes, she will benefit from personalised support and teaching, tailored to how she learns most effectively. Alongside this, our highly regarded pastoral care and tutoring will support her social and emotional development.

As part of a community rooted in faith, she will experience values of compassion and empathy. Through physical exercise and creative pursuits, she can establish a well-balanced, healthy and happy life.

**Our results:**  
**GCSE**  
 40% at A\*  
 or equivalent  
**A Level**  
 45% A/A\*

Latest:  
[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/results](https://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/results)

*“St Mary's offers a good community around you to fall back on, and teachers that genuinely care about you.”*

*Emily, Student*

Our students have successfully auditioned to join Pembroke Girls' Choir, part of the University of Cambridge.

**#YESSHECAN USE HER VOICE**







# Aiming high

As an accredited High Performance Learning World Class school, we will help your daughter to develop fundamental values, characteristics and skills.

Skills such as confidence, agile thinking, collaboration, positivity, risk-taking and perseverance, alongside values such as a concern for society, will equip her for study at GCSE, A Level and prepare her for life beyond school.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/hpl](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/hpl)

## St Mary's girls love learning

We foster a love of learning that comes from within. By supporting your daughter to discover what motivates her, she will build an internal sense of determination and perseverance.

Our teaching is interactive and engaging; it uses innovative technology as appropriate and our learning experiences are motivating and inspiring.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/ourapproach](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/ourapproach)

*“A rigorous academic environment, tailored support and in-depth pastoral care all make a positive difference to our academic results.”*

*Charlotte Avery,  
Headmistress*

## Academic Scholars programme

This programme challenges students to extend their learning. Activities include cross-curricular Academic Curriculum Days with inspiring guest speakers, our Advanced Learner Challenge, annual Balloon Debate, trips that enrich subject learning and STEM outreach work in local primary schools.

**#YESSHECAN AIM HIGH**



### Youth STEM Awards

Supported by our specialist STEM teachers, students with an interest in STEM subjects can inspire the next generation, engage the public and develop their leadership skills through the innovative Youth STEM Awards scheme.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/stemmaward](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/stemmaward)

# Recognising individual strengths

Your daughter's individual strengths and areas for development will be nurtured through teaching that suits her natural learning styles.

Progress is carefully monitored and discussed transparently and regularly with parents and students. Some girls access targeted support in-class with a Learning Support Assistant, or via individual or group classes as part of their curriculum.

Everyone benefits from the expertise of our Learning Support department, which provides advice for all teachers on how best to support our students.

### Curriculum

Wherever possible, we connect subjects to engaging, real life scenarios including careers advice.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/keystage3](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/keystage3)

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcse](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/gcse)



*"I don't want to be a mathematician.  
I am one."*





# Enrichment: code, perform, compete, lead, design...

Through our extra- and co-curricular activities and trips, your daughter will discover her best and truest self, gaining the confidence to express who she really is.

Being creative, leading a fundraiser, mentoring younger pupils, learning a language, programming, taking centre-stage or experimenting in Raving Robots or Young Engineers club – she will participate in a wide choice of activities.

## Sport

Our **sport for all** programme is designed to support a healthy, balanced lifestyle, which offers activities to suit all, from novices to aspiring sportswomen.

The redevelopment will include a range of enhancements to the existing provision including new AstroTurf pitches for hockey, rugby and football; new netball and tennis courts; athletics facilities comprising a grass running track and field events facilities; a new pavilion, including a kitchen and changing facilities; and floodlighting.

A new Boathouse on the River Cam, created in partnership with the **City of Cambridge Rowing Club**, opens up opportunities for all our girls to experience rowing on the Cam, from beginner to elite level.

## St Mary's girls are:

-  Rowers in the GB Trials Squad
-  County champions in netball
-  East of England cross country runners
-  District champions in hockey

## Encouraging enterprise

In our **School Enterprise Challenge** students gain hands-on experience of what it takes to succeed in business and donate their profits to a social cause of their choice. From the **Student Investor Challenge** to our fun **Dragons' Den Competition** entrepreneurial skills are encouraged at every stage.

*“I think coming here, I've really found myself (I know it sounds cheesy) but, I think being here has made me feel really comfortable with being myself.”*

*Nina, Student*



# Making a difference

We will encourage your daughter to reflect on her place in the world, enabling her to discover the power she has to make a difference in the world.

Our Christian ethos ensures that charitable giving and values such as justice, serving others and hard work are integral to school life.

Your daughter will have plenty of opportunities to champion causes that matter to her, by leading or participating in fundraising events and raising awareness.

Through our **mentoring scheme**, girls in Year 10 and 11 mentor younger students, acting as role models and providing advice and support in regular meetings.

## Making a difference takes courage

We take inspiration from our foundress, Mary Ward who faced adversity and failure with great courage. As your daughter finds her voice, she will build her resilience – giving her the confidence and drive she needs to effect change.

## Lourdes Fundraising Fortnight

Each year we organise a fun fortnight of activities to raise funds for the Glanfield Children's Group which runs a holiday-pilgrimage to Lourdes in conjunction with the Catholic Association.

## #YESSHECAN TAKE THE LEAD

From being a **Digital Leader** to influence digital life in school, to leading assemblies, joining our **STEM outreach** in local primary schools or representing their peers in **School Council** – our girls gain the experience they need to feel confident in taking the lead.

Our visiting speakers – from neurosurgeons, academics and innovators to world-class sports women – encourage our girls to think big!

**#YESSHECAN THINK BIG**





## A place to grow and blossom

Your daughter will learn in a unique environment; the school is neighbour to the beautiful Botanic Garden, and is ten minutes from the station and Cambridge city centre, renowned both for its learning and its innovation.

Our facilities support a broad, engaging curriculum and include a vibrant Art Centre at No.47, an innovative Science Hub, a gymnasium, outdoor gym, Drama Studios, Music Department and Learning Resource Centre.

### Inspiring Cambridge

Building on our Junior School curriculum, we extend our classroom across Cambridge, opening up and enriching our learning experience.

From exploring art in Kettle's Yard or the Fitzwilliam Museum, to connecting with the innovation of Silicon Fen and University expertise – our girls benefit from all Cambridge has to offer including lectures, inspiring guest speakers and work experience opportunities.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/inspiringcambridge](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/inspiringcambridge)



## Beyond the classroom

Educational and cultural trips, including Rome, Germany and Iceland, broaden horizons. Challenges closer to home are embraced through the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme and Exploration Society.

Our school day: [stmaryscambridge.co.uk/seniorschoolday](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/seniorschoolday)

School life: [stmaryscambridge.co.uk/seniorschoollife](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/seniorschoollife)

*"...the Art Centre was a big influence on choosing St Mary's. [It's] such a creatively inspired building and [has] very supportive staff."*

*Fatima, Student*





## A place to prepare

Our in-house careers service is second-to-none. Supported by bespoke careers advice and inspiration, our students confidently prepare for life beyond school.

Deciding which route to take post-GCSEs is a big decision. Working with you and your daughter, our Head of Careers, Senior Leadership Team, Heads of Department, Heads of Year, tutors and external experts, will help you to make informed decisions about the future.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/careers](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/careers)

**100% Year 12\***  
would recommend our Sixth Form

\*Year 12 student survey

## St Mary's Sixth Form

Girls choose to join our Sixth Form because they will be expertly taught and tutored in small classes, whilst developing their independence as they prepare to fulfil their university or employment aspirations.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/sixthform](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/sixthform)



## Beyond St Mary's

It is impossible to know what world your daughter will experience in the year 2030, 2040 and beyond.

What we provide is academic knowledge and practical skills, coupled with experiences and understanding, wisdom and values that will support her on life's journey and enable her to thrive in her chosen fields.

Perhaps she will trace the footsteps of recent alumnae to pursue Physics at Oxford, Music at Cambridge, Biological Sciences at Durham, Chemical Engineering at Imperial, History at Leeds or Economics at LSE?

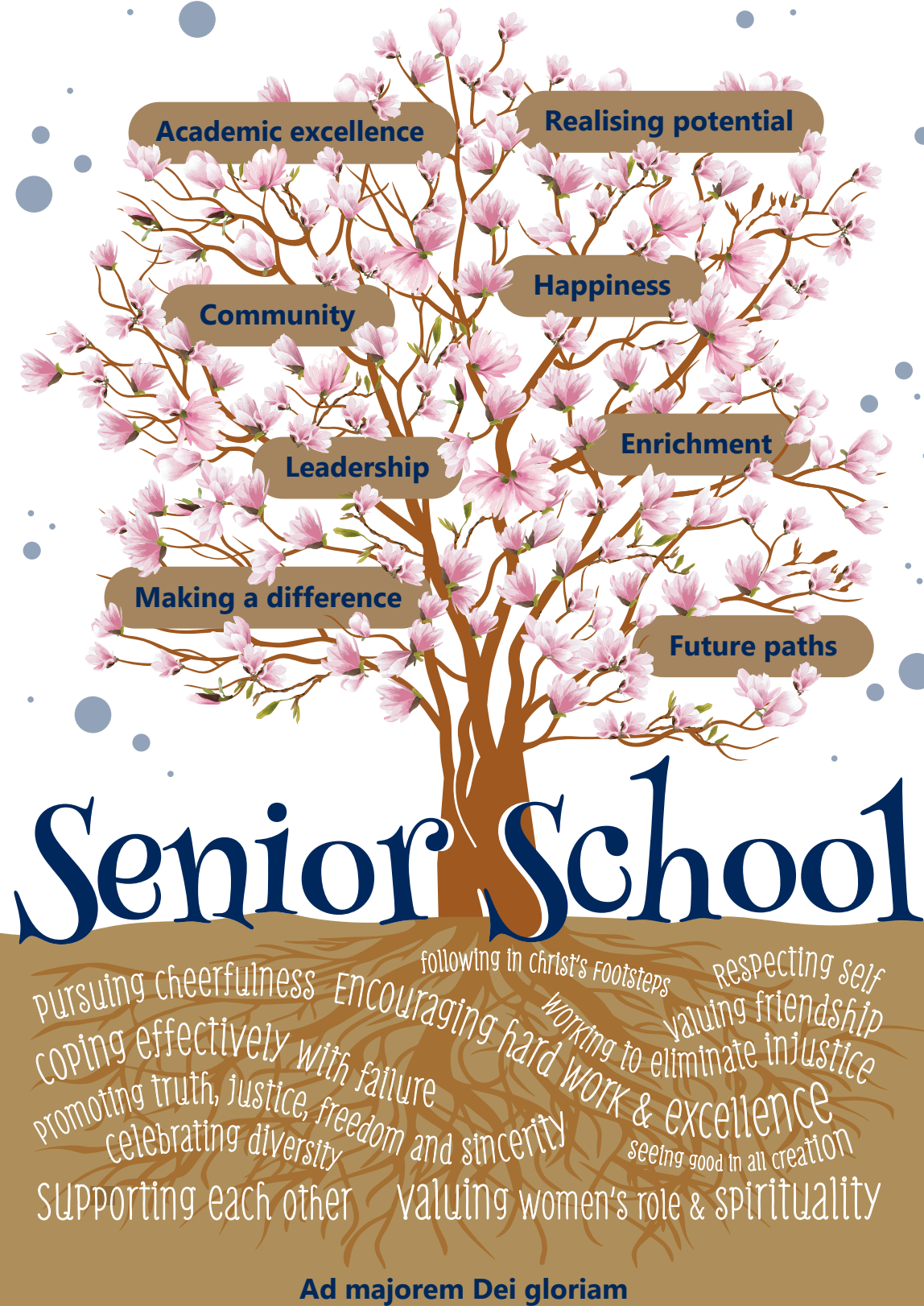
Maybe she will blaze her own trail. Whatever she chooses, we believe that: **YES SHE CAN.**

Our leaver destinations: [stmaryscambridge.co.uk/destinations](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/destinations)

*“I have no doubt that current students will grow up to be confident, successful and compassionate women.”*

*Alexandra Diamond,  
Alumna, 2001-2006*





## Routes to success at St Mary's Senior School

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### Academic excellence

- Inspiring a love of learning
- A core set of High Performance Learning skills, attitudes and values
- Academic Scholar programme
- Subject surgeries
- Exam preparation

### Realising potential

- Individual talents recognised & encouraged
- c.20 students per class
- Preferred learning styles identified & supported
- Monitoring & tailored support
- Teachers are subject specialists
- Exceptional CPD for teachers
- Dedicated learning support department

### Community

- Core values of respect, empathy & kindness
- Strong moral & spiritual guidance
- Social events
- Induction for new students
- Buddy & mentor system
- Circle of Friends (PTA)

### Happiness

- Exceptional pastoral care
- Nurses, chaplain & counsellor
- Positive role models
- Our Parent Partnership
- Sport for all
- Healthy eating & balanced lives
- Relaxation & mindfulness

### Making a difference

- Fundraising events
- Awareness raising
- Global awareness & responsible citizens
- STEM outreach in local primary schools

### Leadership

- School Council
- Prefects
- Mentoring scheme
- Digital leaders
- Learning detectives
- Leading assemblies and form prayers
- Form captains
- Leadership evidence record
- Youth STEM Award

### Enrichment

- Enriched learning opportunities across the city of Cambridge
- Extra- and co-curricular clubs: TED Ed, performing, rowing, Robotics, languages, D of E, sports & more
- Regional & national competitions for sports, STEM, art, textiles
- International trips & exchanges
- Inspiring guest speakers

### Future paths

- In-house careers advice
- Careers fair
- Careers day
- Career insights from visiting scientists, lawyers, entrepreneurs, medics & more
- Encouraging enterprise: Dragons' Den, Student Investor & School Enterprise Challenges, Ryman National Enterprise Challenge

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# Joining our Senior School

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 Senior School years** except Year 11, but typically girls join us:

- In **Year 7** (age 11+) to build towards Key Stage 4
- In **Year 9** (age 13+) to begin GCSE studies

Find out how to apply at:

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/joinus](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/joinus)

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[admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk](mailto:admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk)



## Senior School Open event

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*"I don't want to be an actor.  
I am one."*

Scholarships are available in Drama and dance. The holders of these awards play a key role in promoting opportunities for girls across the school to be involved in the performing arts.

**#YESSHECAN MAKE ALL THE WORLD A STAGE**



# Boarding at St Mary's School

*“As a regular flexi boarder, we feel she has got the best of both worlds. She has enjoyed companionship with other boarders and a sense of community. At the same time, she has access to the familiarity and comfort of home.”*

Parent

Our day and boarding girls form one big happy family across Junior School and Senior School, with boarders joining us from **Year 5**.

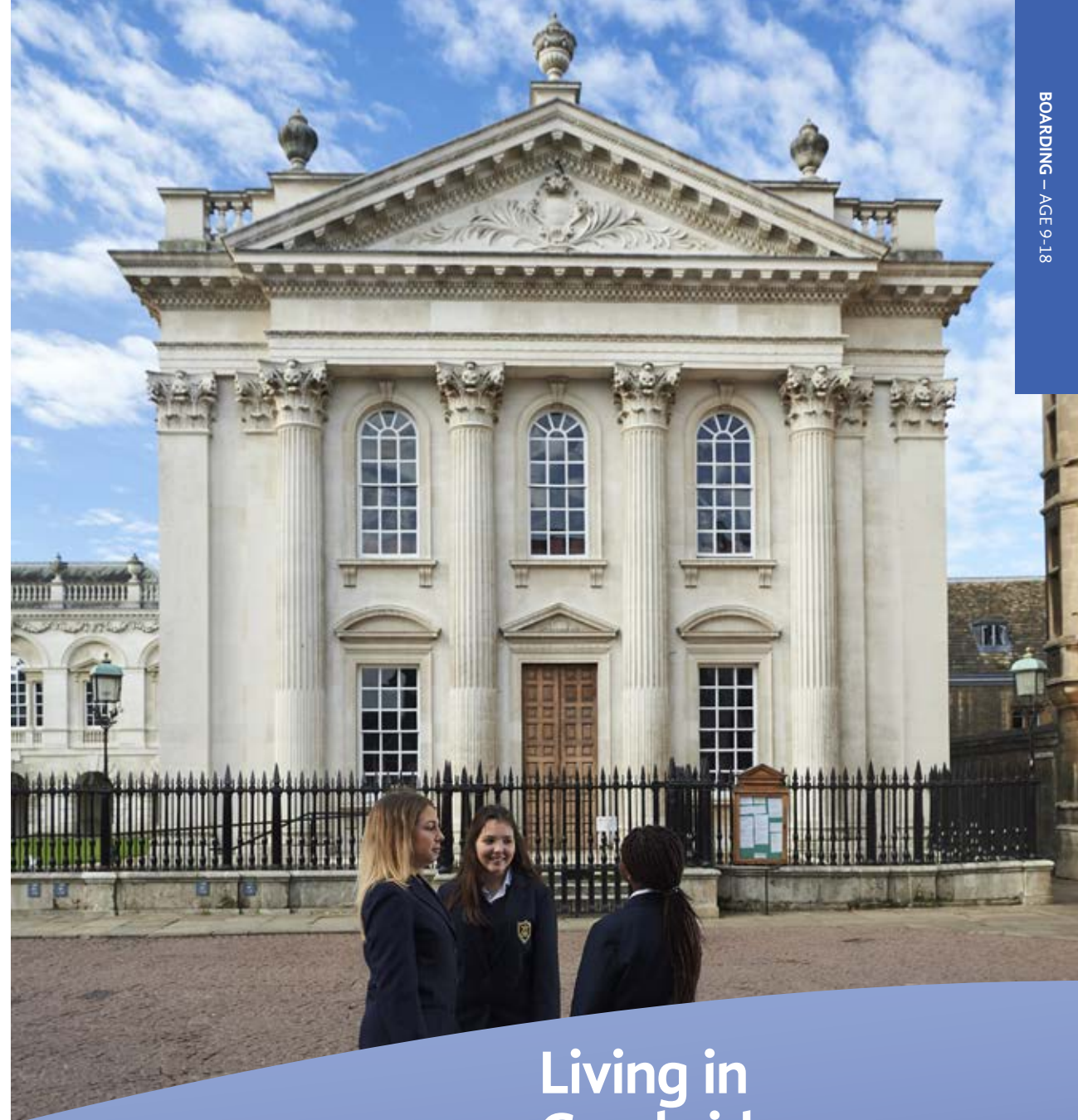
Mary Ward House provides a delightful and welcoming home-from-home, just a five minute walk from our schools, with stunning views across Cambridge University Botanic Garden.

Boarders from Year 5 to 13 live together, creating a second family, led and supported by a team of dedicated, caring staff.

## Flexi boarding

As well as full time and weekly boarding, girls can opt to board for ad hoc nights, a regular night each week or for several weeks at a time.

[stmaryscambridge.co.uk/boarding](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/boarding)



## Living in Cambridge

*“I love boarding because everyone cares about one another and is respectful. We are very well looked after therefore we are happy. Also, the food is very nice.”*

Boarder

Boarders enjoy organised activities across Cambridge – from punting, Evensong at King's College, Christmas dinner at Peterhouse, and cream teas by the River Cam, to cultural visits and historic attractions such as the Fitzwilliam Museum, The Scott Polar Research Institute and Ely Cathedral.

# 20%

of our school community are boarders. Boarders join us from **over 15** different countries.





## Open event

Book an open event or arrange a personal visit today:

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# Joining St Mary's

## 1. 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.

## 2. Apply for a place

To apply, simply download and complete an application form at [stmaryscambridge.co.uk/apply](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/apply) and return it to our admissions team.

Contact us with any questions you may have on +44 (0)1223 224 167 or at [admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk](mailto:admissions@stmaryscambridge.co.uk)

## 3. Assessment and interview

Our admissions process involves formal and informal assessments; including age-appropriate tests and an interview. We make this an enjoyable experience, so we can recognise your daughter's true potential.

Girls applying for **Year 3 to Year 9** are invited to a pre-assessment tea, to meet other prospective families, current pupils and teachers, and feel at ease.

## Next steps

Arrange your personal visit or to attend an open event  
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Assessment and sample papers: [stmaryscambridge.co.uk/assessment](http://stmaryscambridge.co.uk/assessment)

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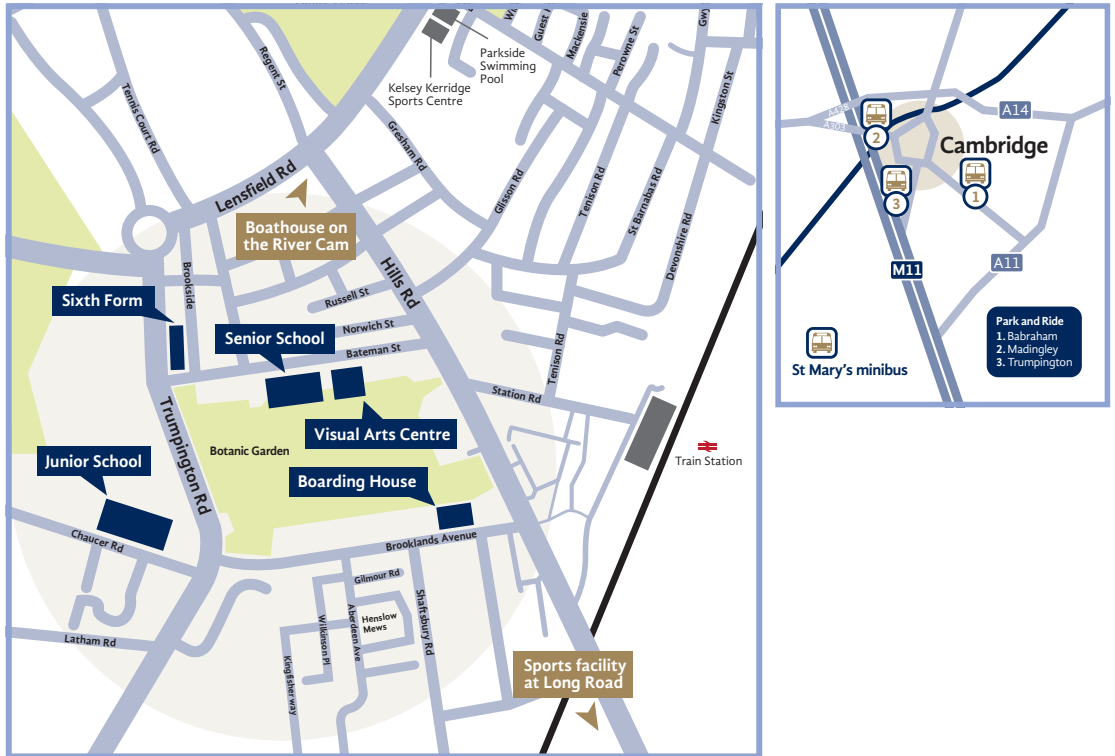
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Once a St Mary's girl,  
always a St Mary's girl!



*“ I have seen Zara come on leaps and bounds. Please pass on our thanks to all of the staff for nurturing her, teaching her and giving her that love, self-confidence and self-esteem.”*

Parent



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