



St. Julie's Catholic High School

Headteacher: Mr. T. Alderman

"Serve the good God well with much liberty of spirit"

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Dear Applicant,

We recognise that it can be a difficult choice to select your options when you've got so many interesting and exciting subjects to choose from at St Julie's Sixth Form. No matter what combination of subjects you choose, we can provide you with the right courses and support, to be the successful person you aspire to be. Over the coming weeks I will be writing to you to inform you of some of our courses to help you make informed decisions prior to enrolment.

St Julie was very much ahead of her time when she said, over two hundred years ago: "Education is a twofold process of psychological development and integration into society. Teach them everything that is necessary to equip them for life" So, whether you're an artist, scientist, linguist or a performer, we've got excellent courses to suit your tastes and talents. We're also justifiably proud of our teaching team of dedicated, inspiring professionals who judge their success by your success. Ofsted agree with us, and judged teaching and learning at St. Julie's as 'Good'.

The current pandemic has been devastating for those who have lost loved ones and we remain grateful to those who have put themselves at risk to support and save others. Because of this huge cost, it's vital that we learn from it. The human spirit is resilient however, and through the crisis we have adapted in ways we may previously have never thought possible: we have worked from home, you have accessed lessons online and we have found new ways to reach out to people. This period of enforced school closures might also be a good time to reflect on how the pandemic has affected us globally; and if this is something you're interested in, you could look to studying it in greater detail – whether that's the science behind the search for a vaccine or the impact the virus has had on the planet and its inhabitants.

A Level Geography students at St. Julie's investigate a wide range of different issues about how the global population should be living to ensure a sustainable and successful future for all. Examples of such issues include: the importance of geopolitics across the globe; why the essential resources of water and carbon need to be protected and why human rights across the world should be protected. Interactive, investigative and interesting, Geography at St. Julie's will open the world to you.

Similarly, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 has brought the world to a standstill and tourism has been one of the worst affected of all major economic sectors. Previously, tourism was one of the biggest growth sectors of the economy and employment in the UK. St Julie's Tourism course is designed to give you an overview of all of the key elements of the tourist industry; including customer service, marketing, managing events and planning tours, all with a focus on UK and international tourism. It is more practical than traditional A Levels, with 50% coursework which requires you to plan run an event yourself. Our Tourism course will enable you to deepen your understanding of how tourism is organised and developed, and how tourism influences society locally, nationally and globally.

If you're still unsure of your prospective career path however, don't forget to check out the Careers section of the VLE. You can also access www.myheplus.com - this offers individual subject pages which give you an overview of what it would be like to study the subject at A level and university level. All you need to do is access www.myheplus.com and click on a subject icon or 'search all topics' to get started.

We recognise that these are still very strange and challenging circumstances for you all, so it is really important that you continue to stay safe and healthy. I will continue to keep you informed over the coming weeks to support you with the next chapter of your learning journey which will begin when you return to St Julie's Sixth Form.

Take care of yourselves and your families.

Mrs Jones

Acting Head of Upper School