

## St Mary's Sixth Form, your future, starts here, with us!

Our Careers Programme here at St Mary's is designed to ensure that all students are given every opportunity to explore all of the pathways that are available to them. Starting in Year 7 we get students looking at subjects that interest them, they browse through our Careers Library or through the online Careers Library on their Unifrog accounts. We then spend the next 4-6 years identifying their skills and learning new ones, perfecting our CV and interview skills, exploring each year the careers fair chatting to employers and colleges / further educational providers creating opportunities and expanding interests. Many events and trips are put on every year to grasp our students focus back on to thinking about their future and decisions are made on the information on pathways, curriculum learning and labour market information that we, as a school provide.

Every year we welcome over 100 students into our Year 12 cohort. You can almost feel the electricity of excitement in the air as they have added slabs to their pathway by choosing their A level / B-tech subjects. Here at St Mary's Sixth Form we strive to again, give our students as many opportunities to explore and excel in their chosen career paths by taking part in extra and super curricular activities and competitions such as STEM lectures, Public Speaking Competitions, Crown Court visits, Bar Mock Trial competition, trips to universities, UCAS discovery Days, Enrichment week and many more. This is just the beginning of the opportunities available to our sixth form students, the endless support for UCAS applications, employment searches and learning new employability and life skills, apprenticeship searches and knowledge support, work experience and joining in with all of the other career opportunities that the school has going on throughout the year. It's here that we can really get the ears up and our students listening as we invite speakers in to school to deliver talks and provide information on career pathways in business, accountancy, STEM subjects and crack down on stereotypes with talks on Women in Management and Women in Construction.

### Orla Godfrey, Year 12 Student:

"As a student I find the careers opportunities beyond helpful, since starting at St Mary's I have always been offered opportunities that will help me decide my future career path. For example, in year 11 I had a one-on-one futures meeting where an advisor discussed all my options and potential career choices. Another amazing opportunity we are offered is going to the UCAS discovery day in year 12, this allowed me to talk to potential universities about degrees, entry requirements and any other questions we had. There are so many opportunities we are offered at St Mary's to help us decide our future and explore each pathway, staying on at St Mary's was one of the best decisions I made for my future. "





Watch the Job of Week Video here!
https://www.youtube.com/watch
?v=pR4xsVBFnS8&list=PLVEWa7ul
DT769WGUTc lOca4dJRlPatZ&index=9







## LONG ROAD OPEN EVENINGS 4TH & 5TH JULY 2023, 5-9PM



Hertford Regional College

Thursday 4th May 2023 - 17:30 to 20:00

Thursday 29th June 2023 - 17:30 to 20:00

# JOB OF THE WEEK

#### **IT Technician**

IT Technicians maintain and monitor computer systems within an organisation. They are crucial in keeping a business running. IT Technicians may assist with both hardware and software problems, set up new user accounts and work to prevent system issues.

**Starting Salary:** £17,000 - £23,000

Average Salary: £30,000

**Do you need a Degree?** Not necessarily, but a degree in IT will give you best chances of securing a position.

**Skills needed?** You need to enjoy problem solving!

