



Profile of St John Bosco Arts College

St John Bosco Arts College is a Catholic comprehensive school for girls aged 11 to 18, with a mixed-gender Sixth Form. We serve over 1,000 students in Croxteth, Liverpool. Founded in 1983 and guided by the Salesian Sisters, our ethos is rooted in the teachings of St John Bosco, placing love, faith, community, respect, and hope at the heart of all we do.

Designated as a Specialist Arts College in 2004, we have a proud tradition of excellence in the visual and performing arts. In 2013, we became a National Teaching School, sharing expertise locally and nationally, and playing a pivotal role in teacher development and school improvement. In 2021, we were designated as a Teaching School Hub, further solidifying our commitment to educational excellence and professional development.

Our most recent Ofsted inspection in December 2021 graded the school as *Good* in all areas. Inspectors noted:

“Pupils are cooperative with staff. They behave well and work hard. Learning is rarely interrupted by low-level disruption.”

“Teachers know their curriculum subjects well. They plan carefully to ensure that learning activities match the aims of the curriculum. Teachers explain new knowledge clearly and check pupils’ understanding regularly.”

“Leaders implement a broad personal development programme for pupils and students. For instance, pupils learn about mental health, relationships and diversity. Staff support them to be resilient and tolerant of others.”

“Leaders have clear systems to identify pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). They ensure that teachers and other adults know how to help pupils in their learning.”

Our modern campus, including a state-of-the-art building opened in 2014 and a 3G sports pitch added in 2016, provide an inspiring environment for learning and personal growth. The school is led by a dedicated team comprising the Headteacher, three Deputy Headteachers, four Assistant Headteachers and the Business Manager. Together with our committed teaching and support staff, we strive to provide the best possible education for our students.

A strong pastoral system is central to our approach. Pupil Progress Coordinators (PPC) and Student and Family Engagement Officers (SFEO) work closely with students and families to support wellbeing, behaviour, and academic progress. Our goal is to develop young people of integrity, compassion, and resilience who are ready to contribute meaningfully to the world.

Safeguarding is paramount. We adhere to safer recruitment practices in line with statutory guidance, and all staff are trained to uphold the highest standards of care and conduct.

Together, we inspire each other to flourish.