











Welcome

Open Evening Subject Activity Guide



Welcome

A very warm welcome to St John Bosco Arts College Open Evening 2025!

Tours

Staff and students are available to direct you to different areas of the school. Please do not hesitate to ask for any assistance you require, including access to the lifts if you need it – we are here to help. Visitors are welcome to take a tour with our students or to walk around independently.

Headteacher's welcome - 5:15pm, The Hill

At 5:15pm, please make your way over to The Hill where headteacher, Mr Gidman, will welcome you and provide information about the school. He will also share details on how to apply for your child's place at St John Bosco Arts College.

Catering

Head over to the main canteen throughout the evening to sample some of our delicious lunch options and get a flavour of our meals.

Don't forget

We provide a uniform voucher that entitles new students to a free school uniform once they are accepted for enrolment in September 2026.

So, what can you expect to see and do this evening?

Meet our staff and students, and get involved! In this guide, you will find a brief explanation of what you can expect to see in each of our departments. Let's see if you capture the #BoscoBug by the end of your visit!

Art

Where to find it: Floor 1

Unleash your inner artist!

There are plenty of activities to inspire your inner Picasso, including:

- Printing activities
- Creative art
- Nature card prints

Area: Art 1

Business Studies

Where to find it: Floor 1

Are you business savvy?

Why not test your skills with one of our fun activities:

- Design a trainer
- Soap Island challenge
- Logo quiz
- Pepsi challenge

Area: Sixth Form Area

Computing

Where to find it: Floor 2

Let's get quizzical!

Head over to Computing for activities and interactive quizzes, plus a chance to see some students' work and meet our incredible teachers.

Area: IT3



English

Where to find it: Floor 2

Bosco, Bosco, wherefore art thou Bosco!

Take a walk over to our English department to browse the range of books you will study with us. If you want to get practical, you can also try your hand at one of the following:

- Creative writing challenge
- Design a bookmark

Area: English Open Area

Geography

Where to find it: Floor 2

"Geographers hold the key to the future." Sir Michael Palin

There's more to Geography than you realise yet. Head over to our department to ask our wonderful teachers any questions you may have, and test your knowledge by joining in with some of the interactive quizzes and activities on offer:

- What would you do in an earthquake?
- Do you know your recyclables?
- Make an eco-pledge
- Pick up useful map skills

Area: Geography 1 and 4

History

Where to find it: Floor 2

"Study the past and you will define the future." Confucius

Join in our activities and come and chat with the department about what we offer! We have a diverse curriculum exploring different times, peoples and places!

- An interactive timeline
- Use the evidence to crack the case how did Miss Higgins die?

Area: History 3



Library

Where to find it: Ground floor

Step into the enchanting world of knowledge and imagination at our library!

"Come and experience the heart of our community, where stories unfold, and dreams take flight. Join us at the library for an Open Evening that promises to ignite your curiosity and ignite your passion for the written word." Miss Kinsella

Visit our beautiful library to see our wonderful collection of fiction and non-fiction books, resources and online eResources. Relax in our study booths and find out all about our library services, activities and events or speak to one of our volunteer student librarians. Experience and explore some of the activities from the library's After School Programme including daily mindfulness, writing workshops, board games club and many more...

Mathematics

Where to find it: Floor 2

We have the right equation for fun!

Head over to one of our maths areas for games, equations, and problem-solving activities:

Open Area:

- Cocktail ratios

Maths 2:

Live revision session with Year 11, set 1

Open Area:

Games on the interactive boards

Modern Foreign Languages

Where to find it: Floor 2

Hola prospective pupils!

Meet the fantastic staff in our MFL department and test out out your language skills with interactive games; buena suerte (good luck!)

Area: Open Area





Performing Arts and Music

Where to find it: Ground floor

"All the world's a stage."

Prepare to be dazzled, as Performing Arts and Music host a showcase of all the arts throughout the evening.

Area: Performing Arts Studios

Physical Education

Where to find it: External building Main Building – Ground floor

On your marks, get set, GO!

Have a go at our climbing wall or see how high you can bounce on our trampoline beds at the sports hall or head to our fitness suite to see if you can beat the chaser on our fitness circuit.

Area: Sports hall - External building Area: Fitness suite - Main building

Psychology and Criminology

Where to find it: Floor 1

"In the small matters trust the mind, in the large ones the heart." Sigmund Freud

Come and see displays of students' work and participate in magic eye games; what mysteries will you discover?

Area: Sixth Form Open Area



Religious Education

Where to find it: Ground floor & floor 1

In God, we trust.

Visit our RE department to meet our incredible team and try religion-based games, explore different world religions and enjoy some prayer and reflection time.

Area: Prayer Room/REI - Ground floor

Prayer and reflection

Area: RE 3 - Floor 1

 Test your knowledge by joining in with some of our interactive religion-based games and activities or participate in some religious crafts..

Area: RE Open Area - Floor 1

 Here you can learn more about different world religions by exploring the artefacts we have on display.

Science

Where to find it: Floor 1

The science of today is the technology of tomorrow.

Try your hand and these fun practical experiments at our scientific extravaganza.

Biology practical activities

- Dissections: can you stomach it?
- Microscopes: observe live specimens close up
- Organ system model: can you identify the organs?

Chemistry practical activities

- Flame tests: colour spectacle
- First to neutral: race to beat the best time to neutralise the chemicals

Physics practical activities

- Static shocks: make your hair stand on end!
- Electrical circuits: fruit batteries and problem-solving
- Dancing sounds impossible, surely!

Area: Superlab



Special Educational Needs

Where to find it: Ground floor

Meet Mr Billington and the SEN Team within our new SEND Base, which consists of three areas: the learning base, the sensory room and the SEN room.

Come along and visit our learning base, a smaller primary-designed classroom where some students in Year 7 receive their core lessons. We also have a new sensory room where students can enjoy some therapeutic support such as emotional literacy from our ELSA, Miss Sabel. Our SEN room is a multifunctional space where interventions take place and students can work independently during quiet moments, ensuring students with special education needs continue to have the best educational experiences at school.

Technology

Where to find it: Ground floor & floor 1

Shaping the future of food, fabric, and innovation.

Visit our technology departments and get stuck in with some tasty treats, and creative work.

Area: Food

 Come along to Food Technology to taste foods from around the world and see some of our GCSE students cooking dishes.

Area: Textiles

 Visit our beautiful textiles room and try a stitch or two to make a unique bookmark.

Area: Product Design

 Visit our product design room to make a St John Bosco keyring.



Thank you!

We want to hear all about your time with us!

Did you love your time experimenting in science or did you have the best time bouncing around on our trampolines with PE?

Head over to our Instagram to let us know your favourite part of the night. Don't forget, use the hashtags below so we can see all your posts!





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