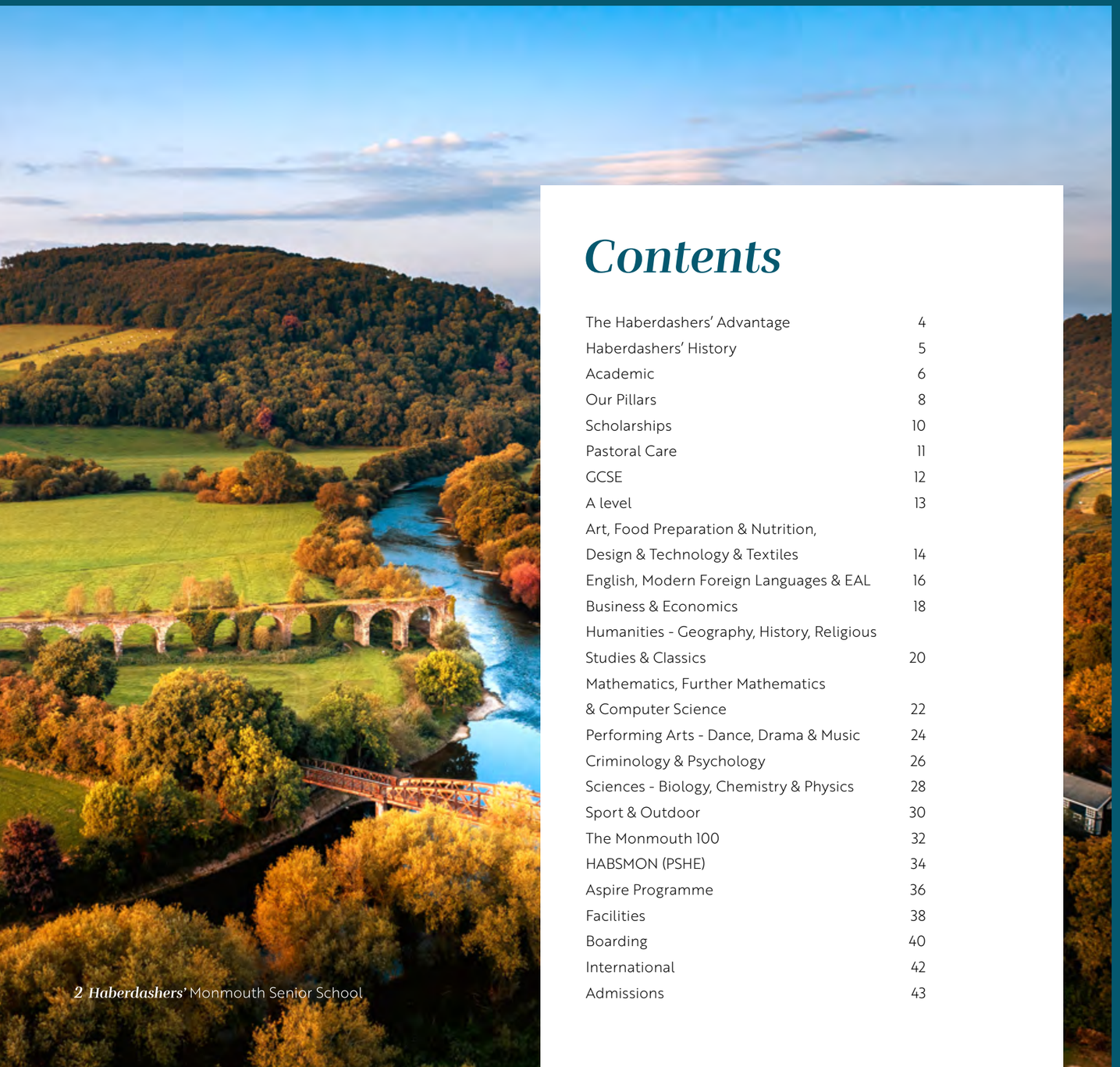
Haberdashers' Monmouth *Senior* School



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A *Warm Welcome*

A dynamic and nurturing school where academic excellence, pastoral care and real-world opportunities prepare students to thrive with confidence and ambition.

We are delighted to welcome you to Haberdashers' Monmouth School, where academic excellence and a love of learning sit at the heart of all we do. We nurture each student's unique potential, equipping them with the skills and confidence to flourish.

With small class sizes and dedicated teachers, our students are offered a broad and ambitious academic programme which allows for personal preference and provides opportunities for study that will start to inform future aspirations. Intellectual excitement and rigour are promoted through our wide-ranging enrichment programme that further embeds their skills and encourages independent learning.

Most students take ten academic subjects alongside non-examined components at GCSE and at A level. Students traditionally choose three or four subjects from an array of A levels and Level 3 qualifications plus an optional EPQ.

We are proud of our **strong academic outcomes**, with students consistently performing above national and independent school averages.

Pastoral Care is central to our ethos. Our experienced team offers guidance, encouragement and a strong support network. We understand that emotional wellbeing is fundamental to both academic progress and personal development and we take great pride in fostering a nurturing environment where every student can thrive.

Our four pillars enrich and inspire every aspect of school life:

Sport & Outdoor: We are proud of our strong sporting tradition, competing with the top schools across the UK. With world-class facilities and a wide range of activities to choose from, every student is encouraged to build resilience, teamwork and confidence.

Performing Arts: With support from our patron, Dame Jane Glover, students enjoy exceptional facilities including The Blake Theatre and the Glover Music School.

Sustainability: From net-zero buildings to campus beehives and hands-on projects like river testing and mammal tracking, we drive real-world learning, backed by leading charities and organisations.

Design, Fashion & Textiles: Students bring ideas to life through practical projects, the use of cutting edge technology and real-world insight from designers including our patron Professor Jimmy Choo.

Through **The Haberdashers' Advantage**, students gain essential career insights and experience via mentoring, internships, industry ties and alumni support - preparing them with the skills and confidence to pursue their aspirations.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school, where every student is supported and inspired to reach their full potential.

The Haberdashers' *Advantage*

Haberdashers' Monmouth School offers a unique and enhanced education known as 'The Haberdashers' Advantage'. This approach provides exceptional academic support, talent and character development and expert careers guidance.

Backed by the prestigious Haberdashers' Company, the school ensures students receive unparalleled opportunities and support throughout their lives, through a network of talented, committed and successful individuals dedicated to the Haberdashers' Schools.

This is **our** advantage and it is with **our** students for **life**.

Haberdashers' *History*

Sitting on the banks of the River Wye on the border of England and Wales, Haberdashers' Monmouth School has been an integral part of the educational and cultural fabric of Monmouthshire since its foundation in 1614 by William Jones.

A member of the Haberdashers' Company, one of the renowned livery companies of the City of London, Jones bequeathed £600 to the community, entrusting the Company of Haberdashers to oversee its establishment and legacy. Since then, the school has grown to become one of the UK's leading independent day and boarding schools for children aged 3 to 18.

Academic

We deliver an educational experience that ignites the potential within each student, shaping them into highly skilled leaders of tomorrow. With a broad and rigorous curriculum that encourages students to explore their interests and intellectual passions, supported by small class sizes that enable personalised attention and deeper engagement.

Our exceptionally qualified and dedicated teachers foster a culture of creative thinking, curiosity and excellence in the classroom. Through stimulating debate and discussion, they develop a passion and a deep-seated love of learning. Outside of the classroom, there is a wealth of academic clubs and societies which inspire our students and extend their learning well beyond the curriculum. Students are given individual support in subject surgeries and are stretched through the Scholars and High Achievers programme.

Our students consistently achieve very good GCSE and A level results, far above national averages, reflecting the effectiveness of our first-class teaching and personalised support. Our comprehensive higher education guidance empowers students to aim high and exceed their own expectations.

While we celebrate exceptional exam results, we believe in nurturing the whole child. Our holistic approach ensures that each student not only excels academically but also develops into a well-rounded individual who is confident in their own abilities and ready to thrive in all aspects of life.

Scan to find out more about Academics.

99.5%
GCSE Pass Rate

99.5%
A level Pass Rate

51.5%
GCSE Results 9-7

69.3%
A level Results A*-B

*based on 2024 leavers

60%
Attend Russell Group Universities

Our *Pillars*

Our 'pillars' set us apart, elevating us above other independent schools and establishing us as sector leaders. These core strengths, combined with our unwavering commitment to academic ambition and exceptional pastoral care, form the foundation of everything we do.

Sport & Outdoor

Haberdashers' Monmouth School excels in sport, competing with the leading schools from across the UK. With state-of-the-art facilities including the Eddie Butler Centre, we focus on personal development through expert coaching and tailored goals. Our broad sports offering coupled with popular outdoor activities, such as Combined Cadet Force and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, further nurture resilience, work ethic and self-awareness in our students.

Performing Arts

We are fortunate to have exceptional Performing Arts facilities, including our Recital Hall, Performing Arts Centre, the Glover Music School and the Blake Theatre. Guided by our Patron, **Dame Jane Glover**, a world-renowned conductor and alumna of the school. We offer unparalleled opportunities for our students, which are complemented by our industry-experienced teachers, ensuring a rich and dynamic learning experience in the arts.

Design, Fashion & Textiles

With world-renowned designer **Professor Jimmy Choo** as our patron, we inspire students in Design, Fashion & Textiles.

Our purpose-built workstations, combined with advanced technology including 3D printing and SolidWorks, encourage hands-on learning. We focus on practical skills, preparing students for successful careers in a competitive environment through innovation, creativity and industry expertise.

Scan to find out more about Our Pillars.

Sustainability

Our commitment to sustainability places environmental stewardship at the heart of our ethos, preparing students to lead responsibly and shape a sustainable future.

Our initiatives span land, water and air, including projects with The Mammal Society, weekly River Wye testing, our annual Sustainability Conference and net-zero buildings.

Scholarships

Scholarships transform lives, leaving a lasting legacy. By investing in talented individuals, we help them reach their full potential and become future leaders, innovators and changemakers.

Our exceptional Scholarships Programme stretches, challenges and inspires students to achieve their best. With expert staff and outstanding facilities, we tailor each scholar's journey to their strengths, passions and ambitions, rewarding dedication and commitment.

We offer Academic, Sport, Music, Art and Design, Design Technology, Dance, Drama and Sustainability scholarships.

While scholarships typically include a 10% financial award, the greatest benefits come from mentoring, training and unique opportunities that empower scholars to achieve.

Scan to find out more about Scholarships.

Pastoral *Care*

We believe that a nurturing and supportive environment is essential for students to flourish. Our core values — respect, kindness, resilience, integrity and creativity — guide every aspect of school life, fostering a community where students feel safe, supported and heard.

We are committed to safeguarding, with all staff regularly trained in mental health. Senior students also volunteer as peer mentors, a trained role which ensures a cohesive support network. Working closely with parents and guardians, we strive to provide consistent pastoral care that meets every student's needs.

Our comprehensive pastoral system features dedicated Pastoral Leads, supported by our Health and Wellbeing Centres, where nurses and counsellors provide expert care.

Our curriculum emphasises the development of mind, body and spirit, offering diverse opportunities for growth in academics, sport, arts and numerous clubs and societies. Through our bespoke PSHE programme (HABSMON) and spiritual support from our chaplain, we equip students with the skills and resilience needed to navigate life. Our goal is for every student to thrive as an individual and within their community, in a safe, inclusive environment that nurtures their full potential.

GSCE

In Years 10 and 11, students embark on a stimulating and well-balanced GCSE programme designed to encourage academic achievement and intellectual curiosity.

Each student takes ten subjects, striking a balance between core disciplines and personal interests. English Language, English Literature, Mathematics, Science, and a Modern Foreign Language form the foundation of their studies, while a broad selection of optional subjects, including History, Computer Science, Music and Art, allows them to tailor their education. Small class sizes, specialist support and engaging teaching methods ensure that every student thrives.

Our approach not only delivers exceptional exam results but also encourages a love of learning that extends beyond the classroom. With a strong emphasis on independent study skills, critical thinking and resilience, we prepare students for the academic rigours of A levels and beyond. Through this challenging yet supportive environment, students develop the confidence and knowledge to succeed at the highest levels.

GCSE Optional Subjects:

- Art and Design (Fine Art)
- Computer Science
- Dance
- (BTEC) Design and Technology
- Design and Technology (Textiles)**
- Drama
- Food Preparation and Nutrition**
- French*
- Geography
- German*
- History
- Music
- Physical Education
- Religious Studies
- Spanish*

* Students must have studied the language before

** A limited number of places are available

A level

In Sixth Form, each student is supported as an individual, with a personalised experience that nurtures their strengths and encourages ambition.

All students take a minimum of three A level subjects, which can be complemented by a voluntary Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), Enrichment and a rich programme of sport and performing arts, which provide excellent opportunities for personal growth.

We promote academic challenge, intellectual curiosity and independence, helping students develop the skills needed for further study and employment. Increased autonomy allows them to take responsibility for their learning while balancing wider commitments.

Our students go on to diverse pathways, including university, apprenticeships and direct entry into the workplace. With around 60% securing places at Russell Group institutions, many progress into fields such as engineering, business, medicine and the arts. Extensive careers advice and tailored support for applications ensure that each student is well-prepared for their next steps, achieving their goals with confidence.

Scan to find out more about our A level curriculum offering.

Art

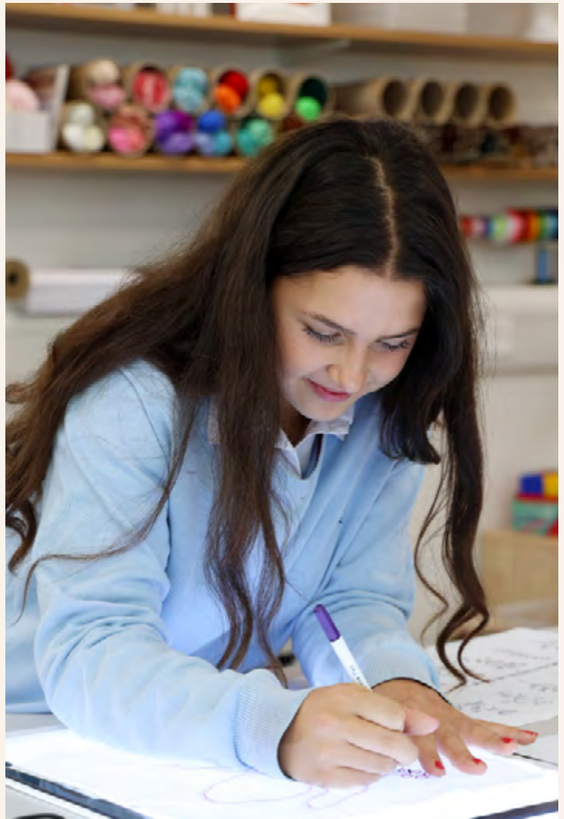
We nurture creativity and self-expression through art, guided by expert teachers who are practising artists.

Students explore diverse mediums - drawing, painting and printmaking - while building a strong foundation in art history and design. Our co-curricular programmes, life drawing and print workshops with renowned artists, offer exciting opportunities. Student work is proudly exhibited at school and prestigious venues such as Haberdashers' Hall in London. With open studios at lunchtime and after school, we provide a vibrant, supportive space for every student to develop their artistic voice and reach their full potential.

Food Preparation *& Nutrition*

A popular course that develops essential life skills.

Students gain a deep understanding of nutrition, food provenance and the science behind ingredients, supported by experienced teachers and well-equipped cookery kitchens. With an emphasis on practical cookery, the course nurtures confidence and competence. Students also have the opportunity to further enhance their skills by undertaking the prestigious Prue Leith Cookery Course qualification - an industry-recognised qualification that opens doors beyond the classroom and into the world of professional food and hospitality.



Design & *Technology*

The Design & Technology Department offers outstanding facilities, including workshops for wood, metal and plastics, plus advanced CAD/CAM technology.

Students explore materials, manufacturing and design processes in a safe, inspiring environment. Our curriculum fosters creativity and problem-solving, integrating Science and Mathematics to develop real-world prototypes. With a strong track record of Arkwright Engineering Scholars and WJEC Innovation Award winners, we prepare students for careers in engineering, architecture and product design. Through hands-on learning and cutting-edge tools, we equip students with the skills and confidence to innovate and excel.

Textiles

Discover where fashion meets innovation in our Textiles department.

With innovative facilities and bespoke spaces for GCSE and A level projects, students refine their creativity and technical skills using the latest technology. Our exclusive partnership with Professor Jimmy Choo offers unmatched opportunities, workshops, mentorship and industry insights. This unique experience prepares aspiring designers for success in the dynamic world of fashion. Join us and turn your passion into a thriving career.

English Literature *& Language*

English is a core academic subject: dynamic, creative and intellectually rich. It explores the power and evolution of language, unlocking the depth and beauty of literature.

Studying English sharpens critical and creative thinking, equipping students to analyse spoken and written texts with confidence and insight. It develops the ability to engage with complex ideas, refine communication skills and appreciate the connections between language, culture, history and human behaviour. Through thought-provoking discussions and diverse literary works, English fosters a deeper understanding of the world and the impact of words.

"Studying English Literature at A level ***laid the foundation*** for my career in law. It taught me to analyse, argue, and write with confidence - skills I use daily as Legal Counsel for Arsenal FC.

Anna B-P, former student

Modern *Foreign Languages*

Our MFL department broadens students' cultural understanding and perspectives. In Key Stage 3, students have the opportunity to study French, Spanish and German, choosing two of these languages for Year 9.

From Year 10 all students are expected to learn a minimum of one language at GCSE. Our Sixth Form linguists benefit from one to one sessions with native language assistants, making this a personalised learning experience. Departmental highlights include a week celebrating European Day of Languages, featuring activities such as a cake-baking competition and international students leading language sessions. We also offer trips abroad - most recently to Estonia and Boulogne.

EAL *(English as an Additional Language)*

At Haberdashers' Monmouth School, we warmly welcome students from around the world.

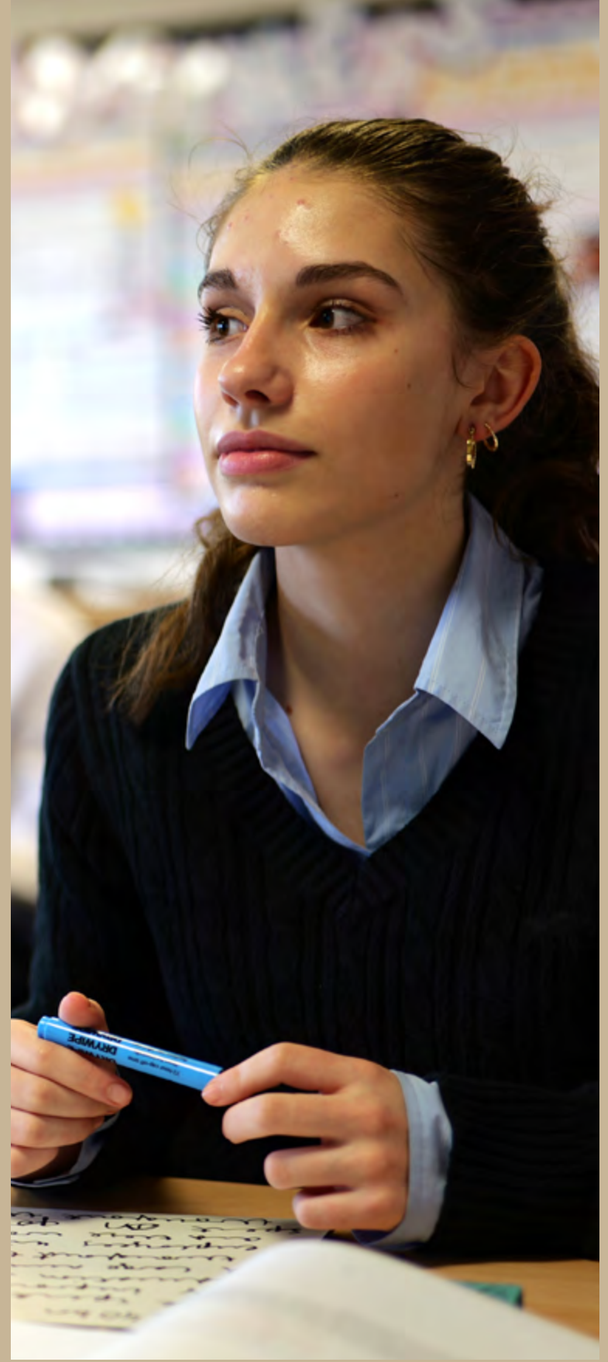
Our experienced EAL teachers provide tailored support in small groups, helping pupils build confidence in reading, writing, listening and speaking English. We celebrate the cultural richness our international students bring, valuing bilingualism as a strength. EAL support includes IGCSE English as a Second Language, IELTS preparation and subject-specific help.

Business & Economics

Our Business and Economics offering equips students with essential skills and knowledge, deepening their understanding of theory through real-world applications and developing critical analytical and problem-solving abilities for success in higher education and beyond.

Business

Our Business course offers an inspiring journey into the world of organisations, providing students with a rich understanding of local, national and global business environments. Students gain hands-on experience using analytical tools including investment appraisal and ratio analysis, ensuring they can critically assess business strategies and opportunities. Whether it's exploring the role of small businesses in Wales or tackling contemporary global challenges, students gain a practical, well-rounded grasp of the business world.



Level 3 *Business*

The Level 3 Cambridge Technicals in Business provides a unique, practical approach to business education, blending theory with relevance. This course develops critical skills such as time management, problem-solving and independent research, preparing students for success in higher education or the workplace. With a focus on hands-on learning, students are ready to enter sectors such as engineering, law, financial economics and more, making this qualification an excellent stepping stone for a wide range of exciting careers.

Economics

Economics is more than just numbers - it's the lens through which we understand the world around us. Our course encourages students to think critically about the ways individuals and governments allocate resources, from housing and education to trade and inflation. With a focus on real-world applications, students develop the ability to interpret data, analyse complex issues and make informed decisions. This challenging and intellectually stimulating subject is ideal for students looking to pursue university degrees in Business, Finance, Law or Economics.

> "I love studying A level Business because it provides a facinating insight into how companies operate, grow and *adapt to challenges* in the real world. I've enjoyed it so much that I'm going to study Business Management at university.
>
> Arthur Yr 13

Humanities

Humanities explores the world through History, Geography and Religious Studies. Students examine past events, global challenges and ethical questions, developing critical thinking and a deeper understanding of society.

History

The History department takes students on a gripping journey through the modern world, exploring the dramatic events that shaped the 20th century. From the shattered hopes of Versailles to the fiery tensions of the Cold War, students will unravel the forces behind revolutions, economic crashes and the rise and fall of dictators. They'll dive into the glitz of the Jazz Age, the struggles of the Great Depression, and FDR's bold New Deal. With a focus on historical interpretation, debate and real-world relevance, we equip students with skills to decode today's global challenges - because history isn't just the past, it's the key to the future.

Classics

Monmouth's rich Classical heritage, rooted in its foundation by William Jones, continues to flourish today. Latin thrives in the department, where students from Year 7 to Year 11 follow Suburani, a dynamic, story-based course set in Nero's Rome. The department brings history alive with events including the Boudica Rebellion and the Great Fire of Rome. A level Latin students explore literature from comedy to tragedy and philosophy to history, studying authors such as Virgil, Ovid and Plato. With excellent Oxbridge success, unforgettable trips and vibrant clubs, Latin at Haberdashers' Monmouth School truly brings the ancient world to life.

Geography

Geography is exciting and relevant, allowing students to study the subject through a balanced framework of human and physical topics. Students travel the world from their classroom, exploring contemporary case studies in the UK, higher income countries, newly emerging countries and lower income countries. Geography is a varied discipline covering topics including urban issues, climate change, natural hazards, physical landscapes, global shifts in economic power and resource management.

Religious *Studies*

An exploration of faith, ethics and the role of religion in shaping the world. This course invites students of all backgrounds to dive into two major religions, examining their beliefs, values and influence on society. Engaging in thought-provoking ethical debates, students will challenge ideas, develop independent reasoning skills and form their own perspectives on complex global issues. No prior knowledge is needed, just curiosity and an open mind. This subject has strong links to subjects such as History, Philosophy and Politics.

Mathematics

Numerical, problem-solving and logical reasoning skills. Students learn to perform calculations efficiently, use a calculator effectively and assess the reasonableness of their answers.

They tackle multi-step problems using diverse methods and clearly express their reasoning both orally and in writing. Advanced topics of functions and differentiation provide a solid foundation for further study. At Haberdashers' Monmouth School, Maths equips students with essential skills for higher education and tangible applications, making it a key to success in many sectors.

Further *Mathematics*

This is designed for students with a passion for Maths and a strong track record at GCSE. It provides an advanced and rigorous challenge, ideal for those considering Mathematics, Physical Sciences or Engineering at top universities. Students complete the full A level Mathematics course in Year 12 before progressing to Further Mathematics in Year 13, studying it alongside two other A levels. While prior experience beyond GCSE is beneficial, it is not essential. Further Mathematics offers a rewarding and intellectually stimulating experience, equipping students with the skills needed for the most demanding mathematical fields.

Computer Science

Computer Science is a dynamic course that equips students with the skills to shape the digital world. From coding and problem-solving to artificial intelligence (AI) and cybersecurity, students develop both logical precision and creativity. They explore the ethical and societal impacts of technology while building a strong foundation in programming and computational thinking. We prepare our students for the ever-evolving tech landscape, opening doors to innovation. Whether designing apps, analysing data, or securing networks, Computer Science is the key to the future.

> "I achieved four A*s at A level. These skills proved *invaluable* during my BSc in Finance at LSE.

Harry P, former student (studied Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Economics and History)

Performing *Arts*

With exceptional facilities including The Blake Theatre, Performing Arts Centre, two dance studios, Recital Hall, recording studios and the Glover Music School, students are equipped to thrive. Supported by our expert teachers and guided by our patron, Dame Jane Glover, Performing Arts nurtures passion, collaboration and innovation.

Dance

A popular department that combines creativity, performance and academic study. Students refine their technical skills, artistic expression and choreography while developing problem-solving and collaboration abilities. With opportunities to showcase their talent in a series of dance shows throughout the year, students gain confidence, discipline and stage experience. Dance nurtures innovation and can be enjoyed as an academic subject and as an enrichment option.

Music

Music is the heartbeat of our community, offering personalised learning and expert tuition. Students explore diverse styles - from classical to jazz, film and popular music - through ensembles, choirs and composition. They perform in concerts worldwide, including St. Paul's Cathedral, the Vatican and school traditions including Tea Concerts, the Blue Riband and Chapel Choir evensong. Whether performing, composing or appreciating music, every student finds their voice.

Drama

A thriving creative space where students develop confidence, performance skills and a love for theatre. Through acting, directing and analysis, students explore plays practically while refining their communication and leadership abilities. Students take part in the whole school production and annual musical, gaining real stage experience, while LAMDA qualifications further enhance their skills. Theatre visits, coursework and collaboration help nurture talent, creativity and self-expression.

Criminology & *Psychology*

From exploring crime and justice, to questioning reality and ethics, to studying the science of human behaviour, these courses offered at Sixth Form prepare students for successful careers in law, psychology and beyond.

Criminology

Criminology (Level 3 Applied Diploma) offers a thought-provoking exploration of crime, justice and society. The course examines the causes of criminal behaviour, the workings of the justice system and the wider impact of crime on communities. Through real-life case studies and critical discussions, students develop analytical skills essential for careers in law enforcement, forensic psychology and legal services.

Psychology

Discover the fascinating science of mind and behaviour with A level Psychology. Explore key topics such as memory, brain functioning, mental health and child development. Students gain valuable skills in critical thinking, research and analysis. Ideal for those curious about human behaviour and its application in sectors such as mental health, education and forensic psychology.

Sciences

At Haberdashers' Monmouth School, science thrives in a unique three-story science block, each floor dedicated to Biology, Chemistry or Physics. With world-class teachers, expert technicians and some of the best-equipped labs in the independent sector, our passionate departments inspires curiosity and innovation, offering an outstanding scientific education.

Biology

The Biology department is a dynamic, friendly environment, committed to developing in students a lively enthusiasm for Biology and the natural sciences. A variety of modern and traditional teaching approaches are employed and students are provided with extensive opportunities for practical work. They are encouraged to develop a depth of knowledge and a wide range of key skills. Students are informed of the latest developments in the biological sciences, including the ethical implications of recent innovations and the positive contributions that Biology makes to society.

Physics

Physics is an exciting journey into the forces shaping our universe. With expert teachers and cutting-edge equipment - from data loggers to telescopes - lessons are experimental and inspiring. Students develop key problem-solving skills, preparing them for careers in engineering, research and industry. Exploring everything from subatomic particles to cosmic structures, Physics is at the heart of modern technology and our future.

> "The university level teaching opportunities offered, such as the Monmouth Science Initiative (MSI) and the British Biology Olympiad, were exceptional. They consistently reflected the *latest advances* in medical science and encouraged dynamic, up-to-date discussions.

Tabby P-W, former student now reading Medicine at Cambridge

Chemistry

Chemistry sparks curiosity, challenging young minds to explore the world scientifically. Students engage in a bespoke, hands-on experimental programme, fostering a love for discovery. Our STEM club takes learning beyond the syllabus, encouraging creativity and innovation. With five expert chemists, dynamic teaching and lively discussions, pupils are inspired to ask 'why' and 'how,' deepening their understanding of the complex world around them.

Monmouth *Science Initiative*

Students can ignite their passion for science beyond the classroom by joining the Monmouth Science Initiative (MSI), a dynamic part of our Wednesday Enrichment programme. MSI offers thrilling hands-on experiments and investigations across Biology, Chemistry and Physics, giving students the chance to explore actual scientific challenges. This offering not only deepens students' knowledge but also enhances UCAS applications, demonstrating advanced practical skills and independent research. In the summer term, students present their findings in university-style research papers.

Sport & *Outdoor*

Sport and the great outdoors are an essential part of our ethos and a cornerstone of our vibrant community.

Whether striving for national honours or simply enjoying an active lifestyle, every student at Haberdashers' Monmouth School is encouraged to get involved, discover new interests and embrace the physical and mental benefits of movement.

Our major sports – **rugby**, **football**, **hockey**, **netball**, **cricket** and **rowing** – form the backbone of our year-round programme. Across all age groups, students develop their technical ability, tactical awareness and leadership skills, guided by a dedicated team of PE staff, academic teachers, external coaches and full-time strength and conditioning specialists.

Opportunities *for All*

Beyond our core sports, students can represent the school in **cross-country**, **golf**, **equestrian**, **swimming**, **tennis** and **athletics**. Each offers a pathway for aspiring athletes and many go on to achieve **county**, **regional** or **national** honours - a testament to the depth of our coaching and support.

At the heart of this inclusive approach is the **Eddie Butler Centre**. A cutting-edge facility supporting the physical development of every student. Whether training for elite sport or maintaining a healthy, active lifestyle, the Eddie Butler Centre reflects our belief that sport is for everyone.

Inclusive Training *& Development*

We champion a model of inclusive excellence. Across Years 7 to 13, multiple teams are fielded weekly, with structured A and B teams ensuring every student can access appropriate challenge and development. Sessions are tailored to build confidence and competence, with mixed-ability groups focusing on everything from foundational skills to consistent performance execution.

Our coaching philosophy supports long-term personal growth, combining engaging, dynamic sessions with individual goal-setting, a clear skills curriculum and ongoing in-training assessments. A consistent game model and coaches' pledge underpins the programme, ensuring continuity, clarity and progression across all year groups.

Adventure, *Challenge & Leadership*

Our popular **Combined Cadet Force** with Army, Navy and RAF sections and **Duke of Edinburgh's Award** schemes develop character, teamwork and leadership through adventure, challenge and service - core values that complement and enhance our values of teamwork, character and community spirit.

Performance *Pathways*

We proudly nurture connections with elite performance programmes, helping talented students progress beyond school competition:

Rugby: Dragons, Gloucester, Wales.

Football: Cheltenham Town, Newport County.

Netball: Cardiff Dragons, Wales National Academy.

Hockey: Hockey Wales Age Group Programmes.

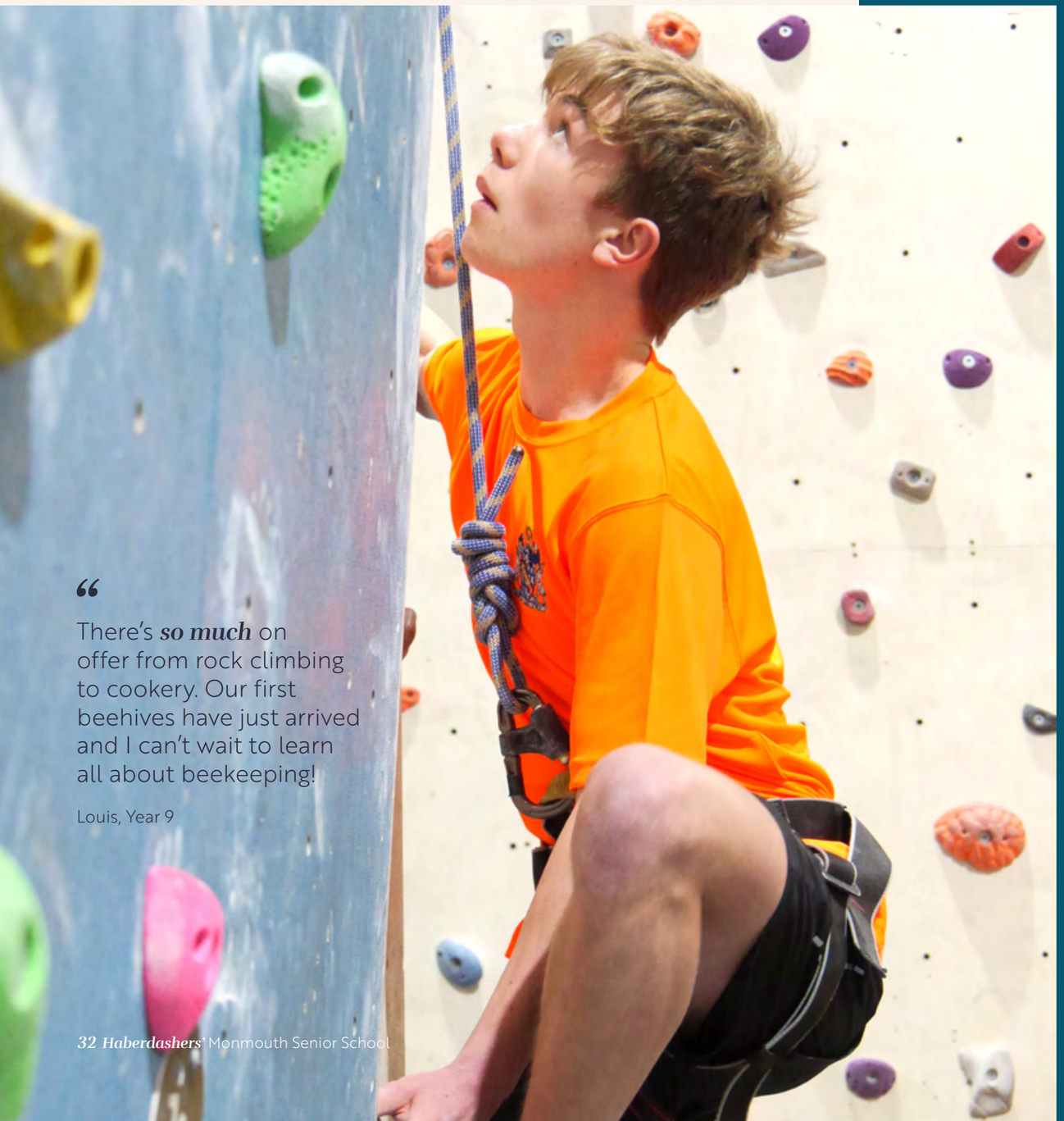
Cricket: Glamorgan, Gloucestershire, Western Storm and Wales.

These partnerships provide a clear route for individuals to thrive in competitive sport at the highest level.

Exceptional *Facilities*

Our sporting life is underpinned by outstanding facilities, designed to support all levels of participation and performance:

- Two full-sized, **all-weather floodlit pitches**.
- Seven **tennis courts**.
- Two **25-metre, six-lane swimming pools**.
- A stunning **Sports Pavilion**, surrounded by open playing fields.
- The **Eddie Butler Centre**: a high-performance gym with tailored strength and conditioning support.
- Two full-sized **multi-purpose sports halls**.
- Six **rugby/football pitches**.
- Multiple **cricket pitches**.
- Outdoor and indoor **cricket nets**.
- Rowing **boat house**.
- **Climbing wall**.



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There’s ***so much*** on offer from rock climbing to cookery. Our first beehives have just arrived and I can’t wait to learn all about beekeeping!

Louis, Year 9

The *Monmouth* 100

The Monmouth 100 is our vibrant co-curricular and enrichment programme, offering an extraordinary range of activities to inspire every student. Whether it’s beekeeping or bridge club, ceramics or cycling, water polo or web design, there is something for everyone - sparking lifelong passions, hobbies or future careers.

With activities running after school and at weekends, students can immerse themselves in exciting opportunities beyond the classroom. Our dedicated Enrichment programme, allows for deeper exploration, including off-site experiences such as track cycling at Newport Velodrome. Weekends remain just as dynamic, with options such as climbing, watersports, STEM projects, horse riding, martial arts, drama and Prue Leith Cookery.

At Haberdashers’ Monmouth School, we believe in the joy of participation and the value of commitment. Alongside academic success, we want every student to leave with a rich and fulfilling experience - full of breadth, depth and a lifelong love of learning.

Scan to find out more about The Monmouth 100.

HABSMON

HABSMON offers a refreshing approach to PSHE, focusing on possibility and hope rather than fear and negativity.

In partnership with Brainwaves and the University of Oxford, we use cutting-edge research on brain development and wellbeing to create lessons grounded in positive psychology.

Our programme encourages open discussion, tackling challenges head-on rather than avoiding them. By providing young people with tools and confidence, HABSMON inspires and equips them to thrive, ensuring every lesson is meaningful, empowering and designed with care to promote wellbeing and resilience. No topic is off-limits, helping students feel heard and supported.

House *Structure*

Pastoral care is offered through both a horizontal and vertical structure. We feel it is essential that every student has multiple layers of support as they continue their journey through the school. Not only does our pastoral structure provide age-appropriate care, it also instils a sense of community, pride and belonging.

Families

Every student is attached to one of four Families, comprising Bagnall Oakeley, Imbert Terry, Mather Jackson and Prosser. They remain in that Family throughout their Haberdashers' Monmouth School journey. For sporting and other internal competitions, students represent their Family.

Pastoral *Houses*

Students are looked after within pastoral day or boarding houses, which change as they progress through the school. For example, a Year 9 student in Bagnall Oakeley will join Hereford House for their Year 9 to Year 11 experience, where they will have a Pastoral Lead to look after them. Boarding houses, for boys and girls, remain as they are with Housemasters and Housemistresses looking after the pastoral care of their students.

Aspire *Programme*

The Haberdashers' Aspire programme is a structured mentoring initiative that connects Sixth Form students with professional mentors from the Haberdashers' network and beyond.

Designed to support both academic and personal growth, it provides students with valuable guidance in making informed decisions about their future. The programme pairs students with alumni mentors in their chosen sectors, offering personalised sessions that enhance networking opportunities, career advice and internship access. Particularly beneficial for international students, Aspire fosters confidence, resilience and essential industry connections. This tailored support ensures Haberdashers' Monmouth School students are exceptionally well-prepared for higher education and future careers.

"The Aspire programme gave me tailored mentorship and *invaluable guidance*, helping shape my decision to read Natural Sciences at Durham University.

Will L, former student

Careers

We offer comprehensive and personalised careers support to help our students discover and pursue their aspirations. Our dedicated careers periods and the Aspire programme provide tailored mentorship, drawing on the expertise of the Haberdashers' family to guide students along their chosen career path. We offer a wide range of talks and presentations, including topics such as 'Maximising Your Sixth Form Experience,' 'Applying to International Universities' and 'Gap Year Opportunities.'

Year 12 is focused on researching courses, universities, apprenticeships and crafting personal statements. Year 13 is centred on UCAS, Oxbridge and apprenticeship applications, with tailored support for admissions tests, aptitude assessments and interviews.

Medical, veterinary and dental students benefit from specialist guidance provided by their tutor who has over 20 years of experience supporting these students through the university application process.

Students also gain valuable exposure to various careers through opportunities including our own careers convention, a law-focused trip to the Old Bailey, a real estate conference and a law conference hosted at Haberdashers' Hall. These events provide students with direct insights into different industries and broaden their career horizons.

Campus *Facilities*

> The school has been a landmark of Monmouth town for five centuries and occupies some of the most eye-catching and historic buildings in the picturesque and safe town.

The recent injection of investment into the campus ensures that we continue to provide students with some of the best facilities in the region for their studies, sports and socialising.

Our new **Sixth Form Centre** offers students more freedom and independence in a setting more akin to a university campus. There is a stunning atrium and vast social areas including a Costa Coffee outlet where students enjoy spending free time. The Sixth Form library provides a quiet haven, packed with an extensive range of resources and online materials.

Our **Senior School** has a new extended dining hall, new dance studios, an exciting new fashion and textiles studio and new day houses for all day students to have their own space.

Our vast **sport facilities**, outdoor spaces, swimming pools, gym, tennis courts, astro turf and the boat house are valued by all students, who get involved in a wide range of activities. The new Eddie Butler Centre provides a state-of-the-art centre for strength and conditioning and performance analysis.

There are lots of **quiet spaces** to study and relax such as the library, gardens, the chapel and day houses.

Our **boarding houses** offer students a warm welcoming environment with all the comforts of home. Each house features communal areas including games rooms, small in-house gym, kitchen and dining room and a comfortable lounge with computer consoles. Students also have their own outdoor space for games and spending time with their friends.

Local *Facilities*

Students make the most of the beautiful surroundings. The River Wye offers scenic running and walking routes and is also the base for our rowing activities.

Older students and boarding students can spend time in the town where they have a range of shops and cafes to enjoy.

We also partner with several local destinations to offer a wide selection of co-curricular activities such as golf, horse riding, orienteering and other outdoor pursuits.

Boarding

Boarding is a vibrant and welcoming community where students make lifelong friends and unforgettable memories. With a quarter of our students boarding across six well-equipped boarding houses, there's always something happening, whether it's a cosy evening in the common room or an exciting weekend activity.

Boarders enjoy a perfect mix of study and fun, joining day students during school hours before heading back to their houses from 4pm. Evenings have a balance of structured study time and relaxed downtime - whether that's unwinding with friends, enjoying house events, or making a snack in the kitchen.

Weekends are packed with opportunities, from sports and arts to music and drama, keeping everyone busy and entertained. Senior boarders are in single-sex houses with rooms of two to five students, while Sixth Formers enjoy individual en-suite rooms, giving them a taste of university-style living.

With just the right blend of freedom and support, boarding life builds confidence, independence and friendships that last a lifetime.

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I love having a *second family* in boarding and how there is always someone available to talk to and spend time with. We spend time with all of the different year groups as we have trips available almost every weekend so we are never bored.

Current boarder

International

Around half of our boarders are international students from over 20 different countries. Our international students enjoy our supportive environment that focuses on academic success.

Students settle quickly into their boarding houses and studies and are supported by the teachers and Housemasters and Housemistresses. Some students board from an early age, while others start in the Senior School.

Students can join us in most year groups and at various stages in the academic year. Alongside GCSE and A level pathways, we offer a one-year Sixth Form Foundation Year (SFFY), allowing international students to complete six GCSEs in one year while improving their English. Most progress to A levels at the school. We also provide a one-term English immersion programme. Full details on both programmes are available on our website.

Outside of the SFFY course, international students are fully integrated into the school life. They are taught as a dedicated group but join their housemates for boarding, sport, co-curricular activities and all other aspects of school life.

Located just 2.5 hours from London, the school offers a pick-up and drop-off service to and from Heathrow Airport, ensuring a reliable and safe journey. Students enjoy the wonderful town of Monmouth and all that it has to offer.

Admissions

Something unique is always worth a closer look, so we invite you to arrange a bespoke tour or register for one of our open days, held in September, February and May. Our Admissions Team is always happy to talk to you.

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