



Ellesmere
Co-ed 7-18 Day and Boarding

Academic Success 2025



Thomas Lamerton

Aerospace Engineering, University of Bath

A*A*A*B

Thomas joined Ellesmere in Year 12 and instantly settled into College life. His strong work ethic was shown throughout his time at College and his desire to push his abilities in all that he did. He was able to successfully manage the workload of four subjects while still contributing to the wider community through rugby and Maths challenges. He now goes off to Bath to study Aerospace Engineering.



Shinil Balakrishnan

Finance and Data Analytics, University of Liverpool

A*A*B

Shinil joined us for his GCSEs and proved to be an outstanding student. He had an excellent work ethic and produced top grades consistently. He was appointed as a School Prefect, a responsibility he carried out assiduously. He was also an outstanding golfer and contributed a great deal to the success of the team.



Joshua Norris

Computer Science, University of Southampton

AAAB

Josh entered the Sixth Form having joined the College in Year 6. He displayed resilience and cheerful determination in overcoming his dyslexia to achieve truly excellent A Level results in Mathematics, Further Mathematics, CS and Physics. He is going on to study Computer Science after a GAP year in which he hopes to gain more knowledge and experience of the world of AI and programming. Josh was a kind friend to many and an exceptional member of the Chapel and Chamber Choirs.

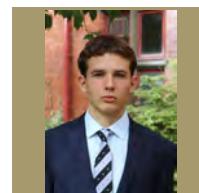


Alberto Rescigno

Computer Science and Mathematics, Durham University

AAAB

Joining Ellesmere College as a full boarder in 2023, Alberto distinguished himself as an outstanding scholar, athlete, and all-round contributor to school life. His passion for complex mathematical and computational concepts is matched by his initiative in developing a carbon footprint tracking app, earning a perfect EPQ score. Alberto also achieved a Grade 8 Piano diploma, and is a nationally ranked swimmer, currently in the Top 15 in the UK. He actively supported his house community, winning creative competitions and contributing to team spirit.

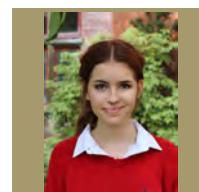


Bonnie Gardner-Mctaggart

German and English Literature, The University of Edinburgh

AAB

Joining Ellesmere College in Year 9, Bonnie established herself as a dedicated and creative pupil. Bonnie embraced a wide range of opportunities at the College - from debating in the Model United Nations to rising to Lance Corporal in the Army Cadets. A talented musician, she won first place at the Oswestry Music Festival in both 2022 and 2024 and sang in major venues including Shrewsbury Cathedral and Amsterdam's cathedrals with the choir. Academically, she excelled in English Literature and was an active member of the German Literature Society, A School Prefect, Vice-Captain of St Oswald's, and Meynell Leadership Team.



Isobel Gray

Business Management, University of Leeds

AAB

Isobel joined Ellesmere College 2018 and from the outset, she distinguished herself as a bright, enthusiastic, and ambitious student. She has developed into a confident and articulate young adult with a strong sense of purpose. In addition to her academic achievements, she was appointed Head Girl of the Lower School and at the end of her journey, as a Prefect in Year 13. Isobel has represented the College in numerous team sports and her drive, balanced with humility and a strong sense of social responsibility, sets her apart as someone with great potential for the future.



International Baccalaureate (IB)

Moritz Hartinger

Gap Year

Moritz joined the College initially for two terms but quickly made the decision to stay for two years and to complete his IB. He was an outstanding student, academically very able, motivated and hardworking. He excelled across the board and achieved a remarkable 44 points. Moritz was universally liked and respected by his peers and his teachers and was appointed as a School Prefect and as Captain of House. Moritz was a fabulous tennis player and was also made Captain of Tennis.

44 Points



James Gannicott

40 Points

Economics, University of New South Wales, Australia

Joining Ellesmere College in 2022 as a full boarder, James excelled in the IB curriculum, earning top marks in Economics and English, a Silver in the UKMT Senior Maths Challenge, and a Distinction in the ESB exam. His EPQ on the "Motherhood Tax" showcased his ability to engage critically with global economic issues. James has achieved national success in swimming, earning medals at the British Nationals and was the Thailand National Champion. He contributed actively to college life as a Prefect, 2nd team football player, house committee member, and founder of the Economics Society.



Dariusz Golabek

40 Points

Gap Year

Dariusz joined Ellesmere College in 2023 following his studies in Poland and was an outstanding IB student. He founded the Sixth Form Maths society and competed in the Chemistry Olympiad and had an enormous passion for Physics. Alongside his academic commitments he invested a lot of time in the Model United Nations Club attending various conferences and he joined the choir becoming Music Captain and was also the St. Bede's House Captain in his final year.



Cosima Beuer

37 Points

Economics and Business Economics, University of Amsterdam

Cosima returned to College to study the IB in Sixth Form after studying at Ellesmere during Middle School. She was a respected, kind and popular student. Cosima was a talented member of the Tennis Academy. Cosima was appointed as a School Prefect and awarded the prize for Contribution to the International life of the College. She excelled academically and achieved a well-deserved 37 points.



BTEC

(D - Distinction; M - Merit)

Sophie Mason

D*D*D*

Sport Rehabilitation, St Mary's University, Twickenham

Sophie joined the College in Year 11 and was known for her excellent work ethic. She put everything into all aspects of college life, from hockey and cricket matches to the superb assignments produced for her BTEC Diploma to her responsibilities as a School Prefect. Dedication, organisation and kindness were the values that Sophie brought to Ellesmere. She moves on to studying Sport rehabilitation at university and will excel.



George Owen

D*D*D*

Sport Coaching, Cardiff Metropolitan University

George joined Ellesmere in Year 7 and immersed himself in all the College has to offer. George showed himself to be a keen sportsman who regularly represented the school at the highest level with his true passion being on the rugby field and he also became a School Prefect. This desire for sport was a key push for him to study BTEC sport at Sixth Form which has now opened pathways for him to continue his studies at Cardiff Met with Sport Coaching.



Anna Farr

Criminology , Loughborough University

Anna joined Ellesmere in Year 9, as an established swimmer. Currently British 100m Breaststroke Champion, Anna has regularly represented Great Britain and has taken part in Olympic trials. She has also balanced elite sport with academic success, gaining excellent BTEC and A level grades, and her maturity, determination and strength of character led to her being selected as a School Prefect. Her future at Loughborough University promises even greater achievements.

D*D* (B)

*BTEC+A level



Charlie Boys

Golf Professional

Charlie joined the College in Year 7 and from the beginning his passion for golf shone through and he quickly became key to the success of the team. He leaves us having also achieved a great deal in his academic work, giving him confidence to pursue his golfing career knowing he has the tools for success.

DDD



University Destinations 2025 (a selection of universities for our 2025 leavers)

Russell Group Universities

Durham University
University of Leeds
The University of Edinburgh
King's College London
Queen's University Belfast
Cardiff University
University of Liverpool
University of Birmingham
University of Manchester
University of Nottingham
University of Sheffield
University of Southampton

National University

Cardiff Metropolitan University
Edge Hill University
Harper Adams University
Lancaster University
Leeds Beckett University
Liverpool John Moores University
Loughborough University
Oxford Brookes University
St Mary's University
Swansea University
University of Bath
University of Brighton
University of Reading
University of Surrey
University of Salford
University of Worcester

International Destinations

Glion Uni, Switzerland
IE University Madrid
ISM Munich, Germany
Leiden University, Amsterdam

University of Amsterdam
University of Connecticut, USA
University of New South Wales, Australia
University of Southern California, USA



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