

Year 10's

Visit to Herts Regional College (HRC) , Turnford

19th November 2025



On Wednesday, 19th November 2025, Year 10 students from Hailey Hall School were taken by school transport to visit **Herts Regional College (HRC)** in Turnford. This visit was organised in accordance with

Gatsby Benchmark 7 – Encounters with Further and Higher Education, reflecting Hailey Hall's ongoing commitment to supporting students with their post-16 education and career pathways.

Upon arrival, students were welcomed by **Katrina**, the College's Community and Schools Liaison Marketing Officer. The visit began with a presentation outlining the wide range of courses available at HRC, including **Level 1 qualifications, T-Levels, Apprenticeships, and Higher Education options**. Speakers also discussed the support available to students and the variety of **clubs and enrichment activities** offered at the college.

Katrina had arranged an engaging and informative morning, during which students toured a range of departments including **Sports, ICT, Creative Media, Engineering, Performing Arts, Catering, Motor Mechanics, Cabin crew and Construction**. In each area, a guest speaker provided valuable insights into the courses, facilities, and possible career pathways related to their subjects.

Staff explained that while HRC Turnford may not be every student's preferred post-16 destination, the purpose of the visit was to allow them to experience a different learning environment and to understand how college life differs from school. When students begin their post-16 applications in Year 11, bespoke visits will be arranged to their individual college preferences if required.

All students represented Hailey Hall School exceptionally well, behaving responsibly and showing genuine interest throughout the visit. They asked thoughtful and appropriate questions about college life and the courses available.

Special thanks to Katrina for organising such an informative and worthwhile visit.

The visit concluded late morning, with students returning to school to continue their normal timetable and enjoy a well-deserved lunch.

Thanks to Hailey Hall staff Shelley Long and Tom Clarke who supported students on the trip

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