



St Mary's
University
Twickenham
London

Undergraduate Open Day

Saturday 30th November 2024





Welcome

- Rated top 10 in London and 45th nationally in the 2024 Good University Guide
- Top 5 in the country for teaching quality in the 2024 Sunday Times Good University Guide
- The Gold standard for student experience, and Silver overall in the 2023 Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF)
- Rated Ofsted Outstanding for our teaching programmes for over ten years
- Top ten in the country for Student Experience in the 2024 Sunday Times Good University Guide
- Top ten safest universities nationally – Complete University Guide 2024
- Top ten for teaching satisfaction in the 2023 Guardian University Guide



A very warm welcome to your Open Day at St Mary's University.

Choosing the university that is right for you is one of the most significant decisions that you will ever make. Your time at university has the potential to be some of the most enjoyable years of your life. It will influence the way you develop as a person, provide you with the skills that you need to begin building a successful career, and is likely to be a time that you establish friendships that will last for life.

Today is the perfect opportunity for you to experience for yourself what it would be like to be a student here at St Mary's University, in our beautiful campus environment. Please make the most of your day – not just by attending the various lectures and events that we have organised for you, but also by talking with and asking questions of some of the many staff and current students who are here today to help you.

St Mary's prides itself in striving to create the best possible conditions for our students to develop into independent problem-solvers and ethical leaders who are enthusiastic and knowledgeable about learning, and practical and capable at getting things done.

We hope that you enjoy your day with us and, by the time that you leave, will be excited about the prospect of studying here.

Anthony McClaran
Vice-Chancellor

Your timeline to St Mary's

from September 2024 Apply through UCAS

UCAS opens for your application – or speak with our team to apply direct

October 2024–July 2025 Offers and Interviews

We start making offers in October, interviews are scheduled throughout the year.

throughout Spring 2025 Applicant Experience Days

Once we've made you an offer, you'll be invited to attend an Applicant Experience Day.

July-August 2025 Exam results, and your place confirmed

Get in touch with our friendly team at any point if you have any questions.

ASAP Research your funding

Student Finance applications won't open until the Spring, but you can find out more now.

January 2025 UCAS Deadline

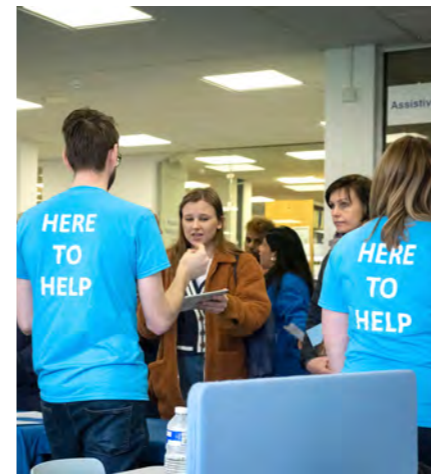
The first and main deadline for UCAS applications is in January, but apply as soon as you're ready.

Spring 2025 Apply for your place in halls

Once you've made St Mary's your first choice, if you would like accommodation, you'll be invited to apply.

September 2025 Start your course at St Mary's

Enroll online in advance, and come to campus to meet your tribe!



From the first day at St Mary's, everyone made me feel welcome. I love studying at St Mary's because the University has amazing lecturers who are very supportive and helpful. It's a beautiful university, where we always have something to do, from joining different clubs and societies, to sitting on the grass with friends.

Megi Jahja

St Mary's allows for the perfect balance between a tight-knit community and having the benefits of living in a big city. The campus is small, but offers so much. You are guaranteed to always say hello to someone you know anytime you are on campus.

Emma Piffner



At St Mary's I made lifetime friends who encouraged me during my studies. I also received continual support from staff throughout, many of whom I still keep in regular contact with.

Alex Dawson



I chose St Mary's because it's a well-renowned university. The pleasant atmosphere and surroundings make you feel part of a small and happy community.

Aleks Grudzinska



St Mary's offers the most comfortable, friendly environment, which I did not encounter at other universities.

Shana Sullivan



Dolce Vita Café

Places to eat and drink today

The Refectory

Take a break for refreshments and a chat in The Refectory, the University's largest food outlet in the heart of campus. Choose from an extensive menu of freshly cooked meals, snacks and drinks.

Light bites are available throughout the day and our lunch menu is available from midday.

Dolce Vita Café

With floor-to-ceiling windows and an outside terrace overlooking the University's grounds and the Sir Mo Farah athletics track, the Dolce Vita Café provides a great location to take five. Choose from a range of refreshments, including Paddy & Scott's coffee, cold drinks and a selection of cakes, sandwiches and light lunch options.

Get 50% off your roast lunch today in the Refectory

To celebrate Thanksgiving and to get ready for the festive season, our Refectory is serving roast dinners between 12pm and 2pm. Vegetarian and vegan options are also available. Please take your token that you received at the registration desk to the counter when you go to pay, and our Catering staff will apply the 50% discount.

There are also free hot drinks available in the Dolce Vita Lounge, which you will be able to get by showing your visitor sticker.

Getting the most from your day

The majority of our subject talks take place between 11.45am and 2pm, giving you plenty of time to explore the University and discover all the elements that make St Mary's a great place to study.

Your schedule

Activity	Times	Location
Registration	From 10am	The 1850
Campus and accommodation tours	From 10am	The Dolce Vita Lounge
Discover St Mary's talk	10.30am	G7
Student Life talk with Careers, Student Services and the St Mary's Students' Union	11am	G7
Academic talks	Between 11.45am-2pm	Please see schedule
'How to write a great personal statement' talk by Student Recruitment	2.05pm	G7
Discover St Mary's talk	2.30pm	G7



The Refectory



Campus social area

Tours

Campus and accommodation tours will run approximately every 15 minutes throughout the day. Head to the Information Desk in the Dolce Vita Lounge for campus and accommodation tour announcements.

Student Life and Academic Zones

Drop by the **Student Life Zone** in **The 1850** to find out more about university life and the support services available at St Mary's. Chat with staff from Admissions, Accommodation, Wellbeing and Student Funding.

Visit the **Academic Zone** in **The 1850** to meet our approachable and committed lecturers. Attend a subject session to learn more about your course. To find out where all the rooms are, take a look at our campus map on pages 8 and 9, or feel free to ask our Student Ambassadors, who will be located across the campus and will be happy to help.

Academic Programme Talks

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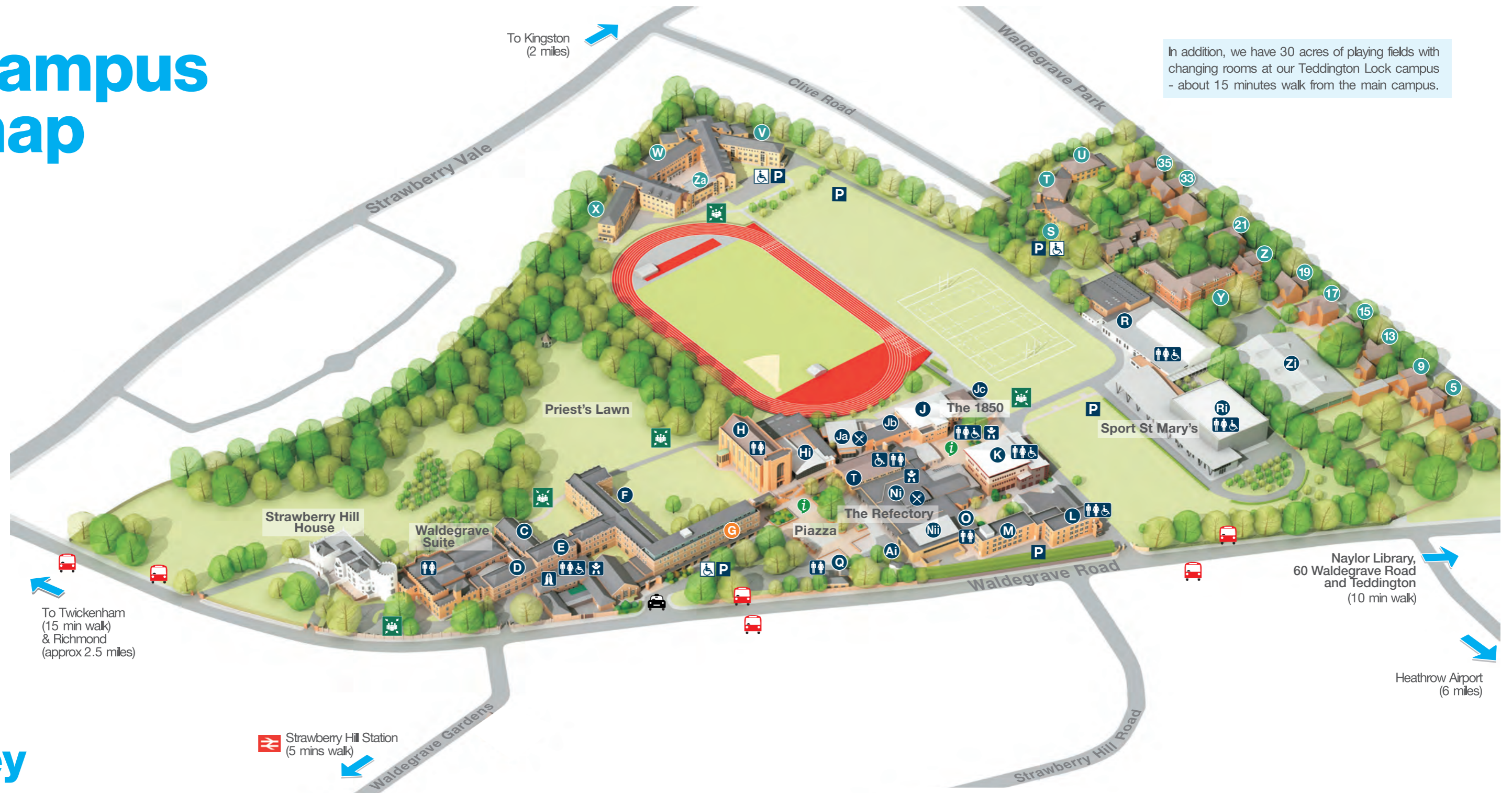
Schedule

Talk	Time	Room
BA Acting	11am-12pm	Theatre
BSc Business Management, and pathways	1-2pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
FdSc Chelsea FC Foundation Coaching & Development & top up	11.45am-12.45pm	R30
BSc Computer Science	1-2pm	E-Sports Arena
BA Creative Production	11am-12pm	Theatre
BA Creative and Professional Writing	11.45am-12.45pm	Senior Common Room
BSc Criminology and Sociology	11.45am-12.45pm	D121
BA Education Studies	1-2pm	K106
BA English Literature	11.45am-12.45pm	Senior Common Room
BA Filmmaking, BA Film Studies	1-2pm	E5
BA History	11.45am-12.45pm	Senior Common Room
LLB Law, LLB Law with Criminology or Business	11.45am-12.45pm	N44
BA Liberal Arts	11.45am-12.45pm	Senior Common Room
BSc Marketing & Communication	1-2pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
BSc Marketing & Sports Communication	1-2pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
BSc Nutrition	11.45am-12.45pm	L1
BA Physical Education, Sport and Youth Development	11.45am-12.45pm	K107
FdSc Physical Education and Sport Coaching Science	11.45am-12.45pm	K107
BSc Physiotherapy	11.45am-12.45pm	60 Waldegrave
BA Primary Education (QTS)	11.45am-12.45pm	K222
Primary Education Work Based routes & FdA Primary Education	11.45am-12.45pm	K217
BSc Psychology, BSc Psychology with Counselling	1-2pm	N44
BSc Sport and Exercise Nutrition	11.45am-12.45pm	L1
BSc Sport and Exercise Science	11.45am-12.45pm	G5
BSc Sport Psychology	11.45am-12.45pm	Shannon 1 & 2
BSc Sport Rehabilitation	1-2pm	Shannon 1 & 2
BSc Sport Coaching Science	11.45am-12.45pm	G5
BSc Sports Management	1-2pm	Waldegrave Drawing Room
BSc Sports Performance Analysis & Talent Identification	1-2pm	R30
BSc Strength and Conditioning Science	11.45am-12.45pm	G5
BA Theology, Religion & Ethics and BA Theological studies	11.45am-12.45pm	G3

Notes

If you are attending the Physiotherapy talk, please head to Main Reception for 11.25am

Campus map



In addition, we have 30 acres of playing fields with changing rooms at our Teddington Lock campus - about 15 minutes walk from the main campus.

Key

- P** Parking
- Disabled car parking areas
- Toilets
- Male, female and disabled toilets
- Baby changing facilities
- Multi-Faith Prayer Room
- Café and restaurants
- Fire Assembly point
- Taxi drop-off and luggage store assistance
- Bus stop (33)

Strawberry Hill Station (5 mins walk)

- C** Drama Studios
- D** Drama Studios
- E** Main Reception, Security and Offices
- H** Chapel
- Hi** Library
- J** Student Centre: Student Services, Registry and Fees
- Ja** Dolce Vita Café
- Jb** The Student Heart
- Jc** The 1850 Building
- K** Teaching Lecture Rooms

- L** Lecture Rooms
- M** Lecture Rooms
- Ni** Refectory
- Nii** Kitchen
- O** Commuter Lounge
- Q** Chaplaincy
- R** Sports Centre: PEC Gym, Altitude Lab
- Ri** Sports Hall
- Zi** Tennis Centre
- T** Theatre

- | Accommodation Halls | |
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| S, T, U | Clive |
| Za, X, W, V | De Marillac, Graham, Wiseman, Doyle |
| Y | Cronin |
| Z | Cashin |
| 5, 9, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 33, 35 | Waldegrave Park houses and studios |
| G | Old House |

Your Students' Union

St Mary's Students' Union (SMSU) is the main representative body of all students at St Mary's University. We're here for you if you need support and advice on an individual basis, and represent St Mary's students, locally and nationally. We're also the heart of student life and societies on campus, and hosting and organising major events and entertainment throughout the year.

Your Opportunities

From societies to fundraising and volunteering, we provide opportunities to meet new people and build your Simmie experience. Getting involved with one of our 26 societies is a great way to make your university life more memorable. Follow a new interest, or link up with a cultural group – we've got it all!

You can also set up a society of your own – all you need to do is select 'your opportunities' on our website, where you can join a society or set up your own.

Your Voice

We empower you to shape your university experience by providing opportunities for you to give feedback on your course and student life and to campaign on issues that matter to you.



Each year, SMSU holds elections for the new leaders of the organisation: the Education President and Student Life President, as well as the introduction of four new Vice-Presidents this year (Inclusion, wellbeing, postgraduate, international). These roles, along with course rep and subject chair roles, give you a fantastic opportunity to be part of the democratic voice for St Mary's students and for students at a national level.

Events

We run a range of events to give you new experiences – whether that's cheering on your friends at Varsity, riding the ferris wheel at Welcome Fest, or dancing the night away at Summer Ball.

Supporting you

We work to ensure that you have access to the right support whenever you need it by working collaboratively with the University to ensure your welfare needs are met. We lead many welfare and diversity campaigns throughout the year, including Mental Health Awareness and LGBTQ+ history. We can advise on a range of issues or help to signpost you to professional services on and off campus. Additionally, we collect your opinions on local health services, internal and external support provision, and give feedback to ensure this informs development of the services that you use.

www.stmaryssu.co.uk



Summer Ball



Student Varsity



Student Activities

Twickenham Riverside



View from Richmond Hill



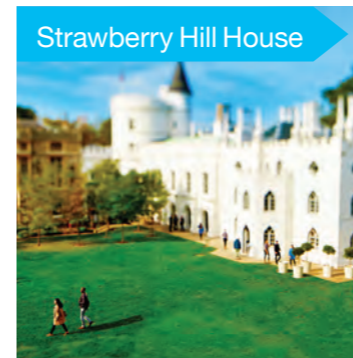
Twickenham Stadium



Local area

If you're staying in the area for the weekend, or have some free time after your visit, why not explore the local area and its rich heritage, including sites of cultural and historic interest, as well as the natural beauty of the riverside and Royal Parks (Bushy Park and Richmond Park)?

Strawberry Hill House



Twickenham may be most well-known for its association with rugby, but there are many other prestigious sites in the area too. Among the attractions are: the renowned Twickenham Studios; Sandycombe Lodge, the rural retreat of landscape artist J M W Turner; and the magnificent view across the Thames from Richmond Hill to historic Ham House.

You don't even have to leave the St Mary's campus to experience the magnificent 18th-century architecture of Strawberry Hill House, Horace Walpole's 'Little Gothic Castle', which is located in the University's grounds. The house and gardens are open to the public on Sundays, with guided tours available from 10am – see www.strawberryhillhouse.org.uk to find out more.

Hampton Court Palace



Alternatively, if you decide to venture slightly further afield and head to the riverside, a stroll along the Thames waterfront will reveal sights such as the quirky Eel Pie Island (the home of rhythm and blues), Teddington Lock, and Marble Hill House, as well as a few pubs with large outdoor areas to relax in.

Central London



For the usual attractions of cafés, restaurants, pubs and shops, the choice is endless, with Twickenham and Teddington's more independent offerings on the doorstep, to nearby Richmond and Kingston, where you can find the brands that you know and love.

Of course, if rugby is your thing, a trip to Twickenham's world-famous stadium and Rugby Museum is a must.

Once you've exhausted the local area, and if you've still got energy to spare, you can always jump on a train and explore the hustle and bustle of central London which is just a short train ride away.

Notes

Parents and carers comms

If you'd like to be kept updated with next steps and information about the journey to becoming a St Mary's student, as well as parent and guardian focused events, please scan this QR code to sign up.



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