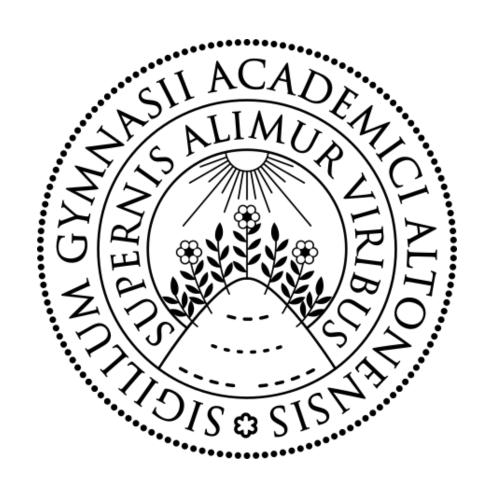
# **Cultural Exchange with Christianeum School, Hamburg, Germany, 2025-26**







## Cultural Exchange

We are excited to announce a **Cultural School Exchange** with **Christianeum School** in **Hamburg**, **Germany**.

This exchange will offer students the chance to experience life in Germany and share British culture with their German counterparts.

### Dates for the exchange:

**Germany to UK**: 26th September (departure) – 5th October (return)

• **UK to Germany**: 10th April (departure) – 19th April (return)

# **Germany's Importance for Future Careers**

**Germany** is one of the **largest economies in the world** and a key player in **global trade**, **engineering**, and **technology**.

It's the biggest in Europe, and the UK's biggest European trading partner.

Many global companies have **headquarters in Germany**, and the country is a leader in **automotive**, **engineering**, **renewable energy**, and **finance** industries.

This exchange will give students the opportunity to immerse themselves in a **global economy** and develop essential skills for their future careers.



#### German economy is the largest in the EU

Source: Eurostat



# About Christianeum School, Hamburg

Christaneum is a prestigious school in historic buildings in the heart of Hamburg, Germany. Its ethos is similar to ours.

The school offers a rich curriculum that emphasises internationalism.

The school has a diverse student body and promotes an environment of cross-cultural understanding, making it the ideal partner for this exchange.

Christianeum students engage in various cultural, artistic, and sporting activities – their main sports are football and hockey.

This is a cultural exchange, not focused on language. All Christianeum students study and speak English.

That said, there will be an opportunity to learn some conversational German with Dr Koch and Miss Griggs, if you wish!





## Why Hamburg?

**Hamburg** is Germany's second-largest city. It's bigger by far than any UK city apart from London.

The **Harbour of Hamburg** is one of the busiest ports in Europe, making the city an international trading hub.

We will see **beautiful parks**, vibrant cultural venues like the **Elbphilharmonie** concert hall, and the stunning architecture of **St. Michael's Church**.

Hamburg is famous for its **friendly** atmosphere, world-class museums and amazing food.

# The Value of School Exchanges

**Cultural Understanding**: Build deeper crosscultural understanding and friendships by living with a host family and interacting with students at Christaneum.

#### **Personal Growth:**

Develop **confidence**, **independence**, and **adaptability** while exploring a new culture.

**Future Opportunities**: Forge valuable international connections and gain exposure to **different perspectives** and global networks.

Exchanges are an incredible way to **expand your horizons** and enrich your education beyond the classroom.





How the exchange works

• 12-15 places available

We will **travel** from the UK to Hamburg in April, where we will be hosted by **Christianeum families** and take part in a range of activities, visits and experiences

The German students come to us first.

We will host them at home for a week of school. They'll also have some visits and trips, e.g., London, Cambridge, some of which we'll do together.

Costs will be low due to not needing to pay for accommodation. We'll only need to pay for the plane tickets, some excursions and meals.



## **How to Apply**

**Eligibility**: Open to all students who are eager to learn, explore new cultures and make lasting international friendships. Particularly suits students interested in Politics, Economics and Business and the Humanities.

Initial Expression of Interest: Fill out the MS form which you'll find in your email.

We will write to your parents this evening. If we get too may, we may ask for more detailed letters of application.

**Selection Criteria**: Enthusiasm, academic standing, and willingness to engage in the exchange experience.