

Keep the cash

Students are first to launch a new finance game

Sixth form students at Bellerive Catholic College in Liverpool are learning about financial issues by playing games!

30 students, working face-to-face with experts, enjoy challenging one other as they discover what it is like to be financially independent.

Keep the Cash, a new financial game, was designed by business education specialists.

Sister Brigid Halligan, the head teacher of Bellerive Catholic College, said: "I want my students to leave Bellerive with the capacity to build successful futures that must include a clear grasp of finance.

"I was very impressed with the game and I am delighted that we are the first school in the country to use this inspirational and engaging programme for our students. I am confident that it will be of lifelong benefit to each of them."

The team game replicates the range of financial and employment issues that face every young adult once they leave home and move towards financial independence. Students grapple with the issues that they will face upon leaving full-time education: writing a CV, attending interviews, opening a bank account, finding accommodation, paying their monthly bills, managing debt, and understanding concepts like credit and interest.

