



**SIGMA SIXTH**  
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January  
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## Events for applicants

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Please join us for these events in January.

The STEM Masterclasses are designed to support you with achieving grade 7s at GCSE and help prepare you for A level study.

Our Creative academy expands into Music and Film Studies this year, so if you'd like to find out more about these opportunities then book in to join us on the 31<sup>st</sup> January.

You do not have to have put in an application yet to join us.

### STEM Masterclass

We are running further Masterclasses in Chemistry and Maths on Saturday 31st January 2026. These sessions will be run by the Director of Science and the Director of Maths who are A level experienced teachers. These masterclasses are aimed at students who need to achieve Grade 7 or higher in order to study Chemistry or Maths at A Level and is open to any student, regardless if we are your 1st or 2nd choice post 16 provider.

Lunch is provided.

**31 Jan - 10am Chemistry Masterclass**

**31 Jan - 1pm Maths Masterclass**

[Book here](#)

**23 April - Induction Evening - 5pm**

**18 June - Induction Day**

**13 August - Results day**



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# Creative Academy Masterclass

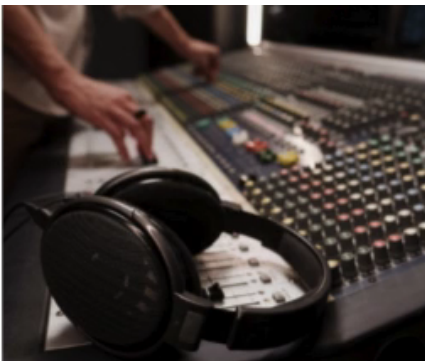
## 31st January

For the first time in September 2026 we will be offering BTEC Level 3 Music Performance and A level Film Studies.

Alongside this we will be adding into our timetable 5 hours a week of Music Production where students can create their own music, work alongside those creating films to provide soundtracks, or record their own performances alongside completing qualifications in music production.

Come and be a part of shaping this provision to be what you need. You can join one or both parts of this day:

### 10am Music Masterclass



During the Music masterclass in the morning we'll be exploring performing as a band and gaining experience using our recording studio to which Sigma Sixth students will have full access during their time with us.

[Book here](#)

### 1pm Film Studies Masterclass

Discover the "Auteur Theory" in this masterclass where we explore how legendary directors like Wes Anderson, Alfred Hitchcock, and Christopher Nolan leave a unique signature on their films. You'll learn to spot visual patterns and collaborate on a creative project to pitch your own director-driven movie concept.

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**Sports Taster sessions - these are open to all those who have already applied and those yet to apply.**

- 21 Jan - Netball - Sigma Sixth Colchester - 7pm
- 9 Mar - Rugby - Colchester Sports Park - 7pm
- 9 Mar - Basketball - Sigma Sixth Colchester - 4pm
- 11 Mar - Netball - Sigma Sixth Colchester - 6pm
- 16 Mar - Football - Sigma Sixth Colchester - 6-9pm
- 16 Apr - Golf - Frinton Golf Club - 4pm

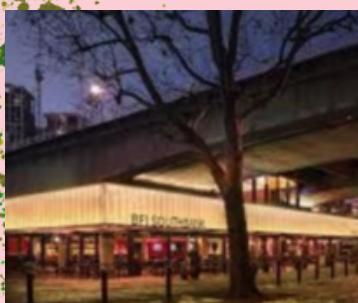
## **Sports Pre-season sessions - for all applicants**

- 6 July - Colchester Sports Park
  - Football (pre-season) - 9am - 12.30pm
  - Netball (pre-season) - 12.30pm - 2.00pm
  - Rugby (pre-season) - 1pm - 2.45pm
- 8 July - Colchester Sports Park
  - Football (pre-season)- 11am - 2.00pm
  - Rugby (pre-season) - 1.00pm - 2.45pm
- 10 July - Colchester Sports Park
  - Football (pre-season) - 11.15am - 3.00pm
  - Rugby (pre-season) - 1.00pm - 2.45pm
  - Netball (pre-season) - 1.00pm - 2.30pm



A Level English Literature students visited the University of Essex to participate in lectures and develop their research and study skills.

Our A Level Drama students performed in the Colchester Fringe Festival 2025.



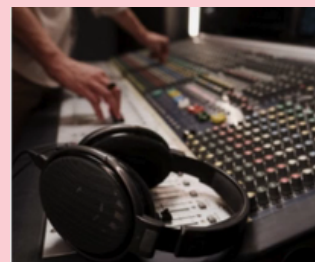
Media Studies students have the opportunity to visit the British Film Institute at Southwark



Our A level Product Design, Art and Photography students have access to all of our excellent facilities.



Our music offer for September 2026 will follow the model of our Sports Academy. Students will choose 3 A levels but one A level block will be reserved for music performance and production in our studio.



## Subjects confirmed

### A Level

Art, Photography, Product Design, Business, Media Studies, Film Studies, Drama and Theatre Studies, English Literature

### BTEC Level 3

National Extended Certificate in Music

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**SIGMA SIXTH**  
SPORTS ACADEMY

## Exciting Developments in our Sports Academy



We are delighted to announce we are now the State School representative in the East of England for Northampton Saints Rugby Club. From September 2026 our Rugby Academy will compete in the RFU's ACE Boys league. This is an amazing opportunity and we will be at Colchester Rugby Club at 11am on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January before the Saints' matches, so come along to find out more.

Joining our Football Academy coaching team are Karl Duguid and Andy Corton.

Andy has been a goalkeeping coach for over 25 years.

Karl's professional playing career at Colchester United and Plymouth Argyle and his coaching and management experience make him a perfect fit for our Academy.



In May 2026 Sports Academy students will be embarking on their overseas Academy Tour to Las Vegas, USA where they will compete in a tournament. It is expected that this trip will be repeated in May 2027.

## Subjects confirmed

**A Level**

**PE**

**BTEC**

National Extended Diploma in Sports Coaching & Development

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Students visited the STEM Labs at the University of Essex where they got hands on experience using the state of the art equipment in the STEM Centre.

On their residential trip to Geneva students visited CERN, the home of the Large Hadron Collider. This included visiting the control room, exhibition and magnet testing bays.



STEM Academy students visited Sizewell B during a maintenance shutdown. They had the opportunity to learn more about careers in the nuclear power industry as well as supporting their studies at Sigma Sixth.

We are delighted to be running Maths and Chemistry Masterclasses for all Year 11 applicants who need to achieve grade 7 or above. The next masterclasses will be on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January, [click here](#) to sign up.



## Subjects confirmed A Level

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, Further Maths

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In December our Criminology students visited the Colchester Magistrates Court.



Students had a fantastic day trip to Dublin for their A Level History Course including a visit to the National Museum of Ireland and the GPO where they increased their knowledge of Irish history.

A Level Geography students completed their fieldwork studies in Southwold, including flying a drone.



Our students attended a residential trip to Geneva included visits to the Red Cross Museum and the United Nations.

## Subjects confirmed A Level

Sociology, Psychology, Criminology, Law, Economics, History, Geography

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## **When you get here -**

Duke of Edinburgh Award programme  
(Bronze and Silver)  
from September 2026



Geneva Residential Trip  
November 2026

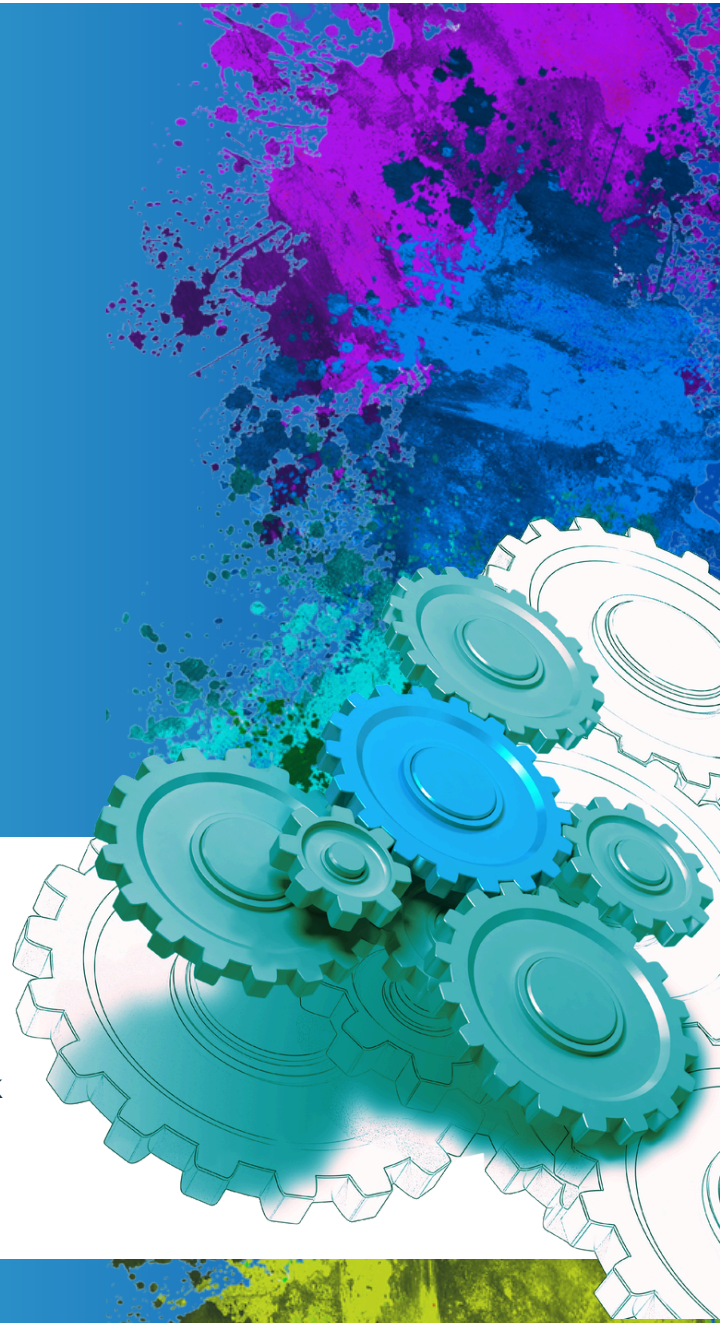
US Sports Tour - Football, Rugby, Basketball  
May 2027

Geography Fieldwork in Southwold  
November 2027

History trip to Dublin  
Autumn Term 2026



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