



Key Stage 5 Newsletter

Careers Day

On April 21st we had our annual careers day. This year we hosted a range of 14 different vehicles and companies, including a tractor, a removal company lorry, a hearse, police vehicle, fire truck, medical product delivery company and a dog walking business. This gave students the opportunity to explore a wide range of vehicles used in different industries and work places.

Students were able to walk around the vehicles, speak with the professionals and learn more about the different careers linked to each industry. This event provided a fantastic hands on experience and encouraged students to think about the many ways vehicles are used within the wider community and the workplace. The day was a great success, helping students engage with local businesses and services and leading to one of our Year 12 students securing some work experience sessions.



Sports Leaders Award

Students completing their Sports Leaders Award in Sports and Leisure have visited Thriftwood School to carry out practical assessments. They planned and prepared their own coaching sessions before delivering them to Year 9 students, demonstrating excellent leadership, organisation, and communication skills.

Photography and Media Studies

Students recently visited the Inside Aardman exhibition in London, where they explored the behind-the-scenes world of Wallace and Gromit and other stop-motion productions. They enjoyed creating their own stop-motion animations and characters using the green screen activities, as well as experimenting with Foley sound effects. The trip was a fun and inspiring experience for Media Studies and Photography students.



Horticulture

Horticulture students have been working with Chelmsford City Council on community allotments and public planting schemes, helping to enhance local green spaces while developing their practical horticultural skills. They have also enjoyed educational visits to a local fruit farm and RHS Garden Hyde Hall, where they explored a wide variety of plants and gardens and gained valuable knowledge from industry experts.



ACCREDITATION

Whilst we are still in the middle of the accreditation period, a huge well done to all students who have already completed formal qualifications, including Entry Level Certificate, Functional Skills English and Maths, and GCSE Maths.

College

ENRICH Code

- E- Enterprise
- N- Nurture
- R- Respect
- I- Integrity
- C- Compassion
- H- Honesty

IMPORTANT DATES

Summer Ball - Friday 5th June 2026
Leavers Assembly - Thursday 18th June 2026
Leavers Last Day - Friday 19th June 2026
Last Day of the Year - Thursday 16th July 2026
Results Day - Thursday 20th August 2026



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