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Alec Hunter Academy

Stubbs Lane, Braintree CM7 3NR.
T: 01376 321813. www.alechunter.org

Alec Hunter Academy in Braintree is an 11-16 comprehensive school with a growing reputation as a forward-thinking learning community, founded on high expectations and traditional values. Trevor Lawn, the school's Head Teacher says "we pride ourselves on the positive relationships we

engender between our young people and the adults who work with them on a day-to-day basis. We believe that students learn best when they feel valued and when the expectations of them are high. We anticipate that our learners will attend school with a positive attitude to learning, that they will embrace challenge where they encounter it and will be enthusiastic, resourceful, adaptable and resilient."

The **Open Morning** is on **Saturday 8th October**, from 9.30am-12.30pm. Students will be on hand to offer guided tours and the Head Teacher will give a brief introduction to the ethos of the school and the educational experiences provided. From Monday 10th October, see the school at work. There will be school tours every morning, led by senior staff.

Call 01376 321813 to reserve your place. Visit www.alechunter.org for more information.



"The academy is a harmonious community and students support one another well"

Ofsted (March 2015)

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The staff and students look forward to welcoming you to our

OPEN MORNING

on Saturday 8th October 2016, 9.30am-12.30pm.

During the following week, commencing Monday 10th October, you are most welcome to come and see the school at work, as there will be school tours every morning, led by senior staff. Please contact the school office to reserve your place.

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ISI inspection report

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Saturday 24 September 2016 • 9.00am - 12.00noon

To book your place, visit newhallschool.co.uk/openmorning.
Alternatively, please call 01245 236098 to arrange a visit at a time to suit you.



newhallschool.co.uk

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"A Catholic foundation and ethos, welcoming all"



New Hall School

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From the moment you join the Preparatory School, you become part of a family. New Hall are dedicated to ensuring that children can develop as well-rounded individuals. They operate the highly successful 'diamond model' structure, that is, co-education in the Preparatory School (ages 3-11), single-sex education in the Boys' and Girls' Divisions (11-16) and co-education in the Sixth Form (16-18).

An additional Year 5 class will be introduced in 2017 and 2018, for day pupils and boarders joining at 9+. A new Pre-Prep building will open in April 2018, providing two-form entry at 3+ and a further class for 4+ joiners. A new Science Centre is planned from 2019, for use by the Preparatory and Senior Divisions.

Please visit them to see for yourself why New Hall is such a wonderful place to be educated. The next **Open Morning** is on **Saturday 24th September**. See www.newhallschool.co.uk for details.



The Next Step

Is this your child's final year at Primary School? As parents, we can help prepare them with the move to secondary school.

Trevor Lawn, head teacher at Alec Hunter Academy in Braintree explains what we can do to help...

It is well documented that some of the most stressful times in all of our lives occur when we make a transition. Taking on a new job, moving house, starting a family – all are fraught with concerns and uncertainties, and the same is very true in education. Whether it is the anxiety around starting school, moving into the juniors, or taking the step up from primary to secondary school, the prospect of settling into a new routine, in unfamiliar surroundings with different teachers can be a daunting one. However, whilst the youngsters themselves may sometimes be hesitant or slightly disorientated at these points, in my experience as a secondary Headteacher, they are, on the whole, more excited by new experiences and challenges than us cautious adults. As a result, it is usually the parents who are far more agitated about their children joining us in Year 7, and whom I do my best to reassure.

So what can we do as parents to equip our children suitably for the demands of secondary school life? Well, the summer holidays are, of course, a fabulous opportunity for relaxation and recharging of batteries, but they also offer opportunities to broaden horizons and expand your child's range of cultural experiences. I am often shocked, in conversation with our students after the long, 6 week break, to discover that a few have not taken part in any structured activity or excursions at all throughout this period, and this can leave them somewhat restricted in class discussions since their reference points are limited. Many museums, exhibitions and galleries offer free admission, but there is just as much to be gained from a visit to a country park, a historical monument or a picnic in a previously undiscovered part of this picturesque county.

Both the primary and secondary curriculum have changed in recent years, with increased emphasis on higher level literacy skills and much more demanding content appearing



Shirt signing is a fun part of every child's last day at primary school

in GCSE syllabuses across all subjects. More than ever, children need to expose themselves to a range of reading material to broaden their vocabulary and command of language. Rather than recommending any particular texts, since there are so many to choose from and this should largely be guided by personal interest, I would propose instead imposing restrictions on games console time throughout the holidays, since this can easily eat up whole days if there are no agreed quotas. Simply by insisting that there is a 'gadget-free window' which must be utilised for quiet reading every day as part of the holiday routine, good habits may be established which can be sustained once term recommences.

"We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty" – Maya Angelou

It is natural, particularly for parents whose eldest child is joining secondary school, to feel obliged to purchase lots of equipment in readiness for the range of lessons ahead. Our Year 7s often arrive clutching pencil cases bulging with all manner of multicoloured pens, geometry sets and other random stationery items, many of which are completely unnecessary. In this (pencil?) case, less is frequently more. Invest in some good quality rollerball or handwriting pens that will help to keep work looking neat and professional, some pencils and basic items such as a ruler, rubbers and sharpeners. Above all, make sure your child has some kind of container for these

materials; it is the children who carry their entire world around in their pockets who are most susceptible to losing things.

Whilst I have concentrated heavily on how parents can help their children to prepare for secondary life, there is a far more important role, in my view, for mums and dads to play once term gets under way. With a timetable containing different lessons every day, including some practical subjects, such as PE and Technology, which may require special equipment, the additional organisational demands on our 11 year olds are considerable. Moreover, there will be homework from a range of subjects, each with varying deadlines to be met. It takes some time for most youngsters to adjust to these challenges, but there is no doubt that this process is smoother where parents are playing a very active part in establishing the evening routine of checking that homework is complete and the bag is packed with the right books and resources. Each child's ability to do this independently will develop over time, but a guiding hand is certainly beneficial in those early months.

There is no magic formula for ensuring that students adjust well to secondary school. We all try to play our part, both in school and within the family, to facilitate this, but it is hard to foresee and eliminate every possible obstacle to success that they may encounter. This is why the most useful thing that all parents can do is to encourage their children to be resilient, to take the rough with the smooth, to enjoy success and not to be crushed by setbacks but to learn from them. If they can approach their secondary education with this mindset, they will undoubtedly emerge to face the world as fully-formed and resplendent butterflies.

Elm Green Preparatory School

Parsonage Lane, Little Baddow, Chelmsford, CM3 4SU.

T: 01245 225230. www.elmgreen.essex.sch.uk

Founded in 1944 and set in idyllic, rural surroundings adjacent to National Trust woodland, Elm Green Preparatory School is a thriving, well-resourced school, deeply committed to helping its students achieve the best of which they are capable, academically, creatively, physically and socially. The school aims to provide a secure and stimulating environment where kindness and thought for others are given high priority and where individuals are valued.

The school has an excellent academic tradition gaining many grammar school places and prestigious scholarships at independent senior schools. A wide range of sport is offered and there is a strong music and art tradition.

For further details call 01245 225230, email: admin@elmgreen.essex.sch.uk or visit www.elmgreen.essex.sch.uk



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Set in idyllic woodland surroundings, Elm Green provides excellent pastoral care, a happy, caring ethos, high academic standards and splendid sport, music, art & ICT opportunities for 4-11 year olds.



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New Rickstones Academy and Maltings Academy

New Rickstones Academy Conrad Road, Witham, CM8 2SD. T: 01376 515756.

www.newrickstonesacademy.org

New Rickstones Academy and Maltings Academy are passionate about learning. Their priority is to provide a broad, balanced and challenging education that prepares all students for the demands of the 21st century. The academies are located in state of the art buildings, the perfect environment for 'world class' teaching and learning.

They want students to be happy, to enjoy their learning both in and outside the classroom and to realise their full potential in everything

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They understand that you are making a most important decision for your child's future and welcome parents/carers to go along to find out more. Call 01376 515756 or email



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Secondary Schools Open Days Directory 2016

This pull out and keep directory is a comprehensive list of Secondary School Open Days and Evenings across Essex. Please note that although the information was correct at time of going to print, details may be subject to change and we advise that you check with the school before you visit.

For further information on the schools admissions procedure including deadlines for applications, check out these websites:
Essex: www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Admissions
Southend: www.southend.gov.uk/admissions
Thurrock: www.thurrock.gov.uk/school-admissions

BASILDON DISTRICT

Basildon Lower Academy	Timberlog Close, Timberlog Lane, Basildon, SS14 1UX	01268 552536	www.basildonacademies.org.uk	Open Evening 5 Oct, 6-8pm
Beauchamps High School	Beauchamps Drive, Wickford, SS11 8LY	01268 735466	www.beauchamps.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
De La Salle School	Ghyllgrove, Basildon, SS14 2LA	01268 281234	www.delasalle.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Mayflower High School	Stock Road, Billericay, CM12 0RT	01277 623171	www.mayflowerhigh.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct 6.30-9pm Open Mornings 10-13 Oct 9am
The Billericay School	School Road, Billericay, CM12 9LH	01277 655191	www.billericay.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 26 Sept, 6-9pm. Open Mornings 29-30 Sept & 4 Oct at 9am or 10am
The Bromfords School and Sixth Form College	Grange Avenue, Wickford, SS12 0LZ	01268 471201	www.bromfords.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct 5.30-8.30pm. Parent tours daily 19 Sept - 14 Oct at 9am & 10am Book via phone or email
The James Hornsby School	Leinster Road, Laindon, Basildon, SS15 5NX	01268 582400	www.jameshornsby.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 21 Sept 4.30-8.30pm Open Days 26-28 Sept & 3-5 Oct, 10.15-11.15am. Call to book
Woodlands School	Takely End, Kingswood, Basildon, SS16 5BA	01268 282146	www.woodlandsschool.org	Open Evening 29 Sept 5-9pm. Open Days 3-7 Oct 9.15am (2.15pm Mon only). Call to book

BRAINTREE DISTRICT

Alec Hunter Academy	Stubbs Lane, Braintree, CM7 3NR	01376 321813	www.alechunter.org	Open Morning 8 Oct 9.30am-12.30pm Tours start 10 Oct, for the week
Hedingham School and Sixth Form	Yeldham Road, Sible Hedingham, Halstead, CO9 3QH	01787 460470	www.hedingham.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct 6.30-9pm
Honywood Community Science School	Westfield Drive, Coggeshall, Colchester, CO6 1PZ	01376 561231	www.honywoodschool.com	6 Oct 5.15-8.30pm. Bookable school tours weeks commencing 26 Sept & 3 Oct
Maltings Academy	Spinks Lane, Witham, CM8 1EP	01376 512911	www.maltingsacademy.org	Open Evening 15 Sept 5.30-8pm
New Rickstones Academy	Conrad Road, Witham, CM8 2SD	01376 515756	www.newrickstonesacademy.org	Open Day 22 Sept. Contact school for times
Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form	Notley Road, Braintree, CM7 1WY	01376 556300	www.notleyhigh.com	Open Evening 6 Oct 6-8pm
Tabor Academy	Panfield Lane, Braintree, CM7 5XP	01376 323701	www.taboracademy.com	Open Evening 29 Sept. Call school for times
The Ramsey Academy, Halstead	Colne Road, Halstead, CO9 2HR	01787 472481	www.ramseyacademy.com	Open Evening 29 Sept 6.30-9pm
Gosfield School (Independent)	Cut Hedge Park, Halstead Road, Gosfield CO9 1PF	01787 474040	www.gosfieldschool.org.uk	Open Day 8 Oct 10am-1pm

BRENTWOOD DISTRICT

Anglo European School	Willow Green, Ingatestone, CM4 0DJ	01277 354018	www.aesessex.co.uk	Open Evening 22 Sept 4.30-8.30pm
Becket Keys Church of England School	Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, CM15 9DA	01277 286600	www.becketkeys.org	Open Mornings (parents only, register online) and Evenings (all welcome), 20 & 28 Sept & 6 Oct. Mornings 9.15-11.15am. Evenings 5-7pm
Brentwood County High School	Shenfield Common, Seven Arches Road, Brentwood, CM14 4JF	01277 238900	www.bchs.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 24 Sept 10.30am-3pm
Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School	Queen's Road, Brentwood, CM14 4EX	01277 227156	www.buchs.co.uk	Open Evening 4 Oct 6.30-9pm Talks at 6.30 & 7.30pm
Shenfield High School	Alexander Lane, Shenfield, Brentwood, CM15 8RY	01277 219131	www.shenfield.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 29 Sept 5-8pm, with talks at 5.15pm, 6.15pm & 7.15pm Open Mornings 4 & 10 Oct 9-11am
St Martin's School	Hanging Hill Lane, Hutton, Brentwood, CM13 2HG	01277 238300	www.st-martins.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 13 Oct 5.30-8.30pm. School tours 9-10am various dates end Sept through to 20 Oct, must be booked 01277 238303

CASTLEPOINT DISTRICT

Castle View School	Foksville Rd, Canvey Island, SS8 7FH	01268 696811	www.castleview.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 17 Sept. Check with school for times
Cornelius Vermuyden	Dinant Avenue, Canvey Island, SS8 9QS	01268 685011	www.corver.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 24 Sept 10am-1pm

The Appleton School	Croft Road, South Benfleet, SS7 5RN	01268 794215	www.theappletonschoo.org	Open Evening 15 Sept from 6pm
The Deanes School	Daws Heath Road, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 2TD	01268 773545	www.deanesschool.co.uk	Open Evening 22 Sept 6.30-9pm
The King John School	Shipwrights Drive, Thundersley, Benfleet, SS7 1RQ	01702 558284	www.thekjs.essex.sch.uk/	Open Day 10 Sept 9.30am-1pm

CHELMSFORD DISTRICT

Elm Green Preparatory School (Independent)	Parsonage Lane, Little Baddow, Chelmsford, Essex, CM3 4SU	01245 225230	www.elmgreen.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Chelmer Valley High School	Court Road, Broomfield, Chelmsford, CM1 7ER	01245 440232	www.chelmervalleyhighschool.co.uk	Open Evening 20 Sept 6.30-9pm, head teacher talk 7.30pm. Open Morning 22 Sept 9.30am-12noon. All welcome at both, no need to book
Chelmsford County High School for Girls	Broomfield Road, Chelmsford, CM1 1RW	01245 352592	www.cchs.co.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Great Baddow High School	Duffield Road, Great Baddow, Chelmsford, CM2 9RZ	01245 265821	www.greatbaddow.com	Open Evening 27 Sept 6-9pm with head teacher talks at 6.30 & 8pm
Hylands School	Chelmsford Road, Chelmsford, CM1 3ET	01245 266766	www.hylands.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 17 Sept 9am-12pm Talks at 10am & 11am
King Edward VI Grammar School	Broomfield Road, Chelmsford, CM1 3SX	01245 353510	www.kegs.org.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Moulsham High School	Brian Close, Chelmsford, CM2 9ES	01245 260101	www.moulshamhigh.org	Open Evening 29 Sept 5.30-9.15pm. Talks at 6.15pm, 7.15pm & 8.15pm. Bookable tours 3, 5, 7 & 11 Oct at 9.10am or 10.10am
New Hall School (Independent)	The Avenue, Boreham, Chelmsford CM3 3HS	01245 467588	www.newhallschool.co.uk	Open Day 24 Sept 9am-12noon
St John Payne Catholic School	Patching Hall Lane, Chelmsford, CM1 4BS	01245 256030	www.sjp.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct 6-8.30pm. Talk at 8pm
The Boswells School	Burnham Road, Chelmsford, CM1 6LY	01245 264451	www.boswells-school.com	Open Evening 5 Oct 5.30-8.30pm with talks at 6pm & 7pm. Tours 3-5 October at 9.15am no booking required
The Sandon School	Molrams Lane, Sandon, Chelmsford, CM2 7AQ	01245 473611	www.sandon.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct 6-9pm with headteacher talks at 6pm, 7pm & 8pm
William De Ferrers School	Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers, CM3 5JU	01245 326326	www.williamdeferrers.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 28 Sept 5-8pm

COLCHESTER DISTRICT

Colchester Academy	Hawthorn Avenue, Colchester, CO4 3JL	01206 861217	www.colchesteracademy.org.uk	Open Days 21 & 23 Sept, 9-10.30am Open Evening 22 Sept, 6-8pm
Colchester County High School For Girls	Norman Way, Colchester, CO3 3US	01206 576973	www.cchsg.com	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Colchester Royal Grammar School	6 Lexden Road, Colchester, CO3 3ND	01206 509100	www.crgs.co.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Philip Morant School and College	Rembrandt Way, Gainsborough Road, Colchester, CO3 4QS	01206 545222	www.philipmorant.essex.sch.uk	Open Morning 1 Oct 9am-12noon Open Mornings 4-6 Oct, bookable, adults only
St Benedict's Catholic College	Norman Way, Colchester, CO3 3US	01206 549222	www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 29 Sept 7-9pm
St Helena School	Sheepen Road, Colchester, CO3 3LE	01206 572253	www.st-helena.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 29 Sept 6-9pm Tours 26-30 Sept at 9.15 daily
St Marys School for Girls (Independent)	Lexden Road, Colchester CO3 3RB	01206 216420	www.stmaryscolchester.org.uk	Open Days: Lower School (ages 4-11) 24 Sept & 13 Oct 9.30-11.30am. Senior school (ages 11-16) 6 Oct 10.30am-12noon & 8 Oct 10am-1pm
The Gilberd School	Brinkley Lane, Highwoods, Colchester, CO4 9PU	01206 842211	www.gilberd.com	Open Evening 28 Sept 7 to 9pm
The Stanway School	Winstree Road, Stanway, Colchester, CO3 0QA	01206 575488	www.stanway.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 5 Oct time TBC, Open Mornings 3-7 Oct from 9am. No need to book
The Thomas Lord Audley School	Monkwick Avenue, Colchester, CO2 8NJ	01206 547911	www.tla.essex.sch.uk	Open Mornings 26-29 Sept at 9am no need to book. Open Evening 29 Sept 5-8pm
Thurstable School Sports College and Sixth Form Centre	Maypole Road, Tiptree, Colchester, CO5 0EW	01621 816526	www.thurstable.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 27 Sept 5.30pm. School tours bookable during school day 28 & 29 Sept

Gosfield School

Cut Hedge Park, Halstead Road, Gosfield, Halstead, CO9 1PF.
T: 01787 474040. www.gosfieldschool.org.uk

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Small by design – With places for up to 20 children per year in the Nursery and Prep school, rising to a maximum of 40 per year within the senior school, the small class sizes enable every member of staff to understand each pupil individually. They aim to provide an environment where all pupils feel valued and able to achieve personal excellence in all aspects of life.

Visit them soon – The next **Open Morning** takes place on **Saturday 8th October** from 10am-1pm. Go along and meet staff and pupils and have a look around the beautiful parkland estate.

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St Helena School

Sheepen Road, Colchester, CO3 3LE.
T: 01206 572253. www.st-helena.essex.sch.uk

Welcome to St Helena School, an 11-16 secondary school, located in the heart of Colchester. Their aim is to develop the finest quality learning community that they can. If students are to be able to learn effectively, then they must feel excited and motivated while at the same time safe and cared for. They achieve this providing a challenging, rewarding and diverse education.

They hope to meet you in the near future, either as a member of the school community or as someone interested in finding out more about them, and look forward to sharing with you the pride they have in the school, the community and most importantly the students.

St Helena School is a popular choice and they strongly recommend early application for admission. Parents and prospective students are also welcome to visit the school at any time; they are always proud to show visitors around the school.

For more information visit www.st-helena.essex.sch.uk



St Helena School

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Open Evening
Thursday 29th
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6pm-9pm

School Tours
26th – 30th
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**We look forward
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New Head for Felsted Preparatory School

Mr Simon James, former Head of Chigwell Junior School joins Felsted Preparatory School as the new Headmaster from September 2016. Responsible for 520 boys and girls from the ages of 4 to 12, Simon will succeed Mrs Jenny Burrett and lead Felsted Preparatory School in the next stage of its development. Simon brings a wealth of experience and was inspired by the opportunity to lead a school that embraces a genuinely broad education and global outlook, without sacrificing excellence.

Felstedians achieve at every level; whether on the stage, in the classroom or on the pitch, with the majority going on to secure places at Felsted Senior School. With a choice of A Levels or the International Baccalaureate Diploma in the Sixth Form, contemporary boarding options and bus routes from across the region, studying at Felsted has become the top choice for many Essex families.

Find out more at Felsted's next **Open Morning on Saturday 8th October** or via www.felsted.org




Happy girls are high achievers.

 **St Mary's**
Colchester

Come along to our Open Days!
Kindergarten & Lower School (girls 3-11 & boys 3-4):
24 Sept & 13 Oct, 9.30-11.30am
Senior School (girls 11-16):
6 Oct, 10.30-12; 8 Oct, 10am-1pm

01206 216420 registrar@stmaryscolchester.org.uk
www.stmaryscolchester.org.uk



St Mary's, Colchester

91 Lexden Road, Colchester, CO3 3RB.

T: 01206 216420. www.stmaryscolchester.org.uk

At St Mary's the emphasis is on encouraging pupils to be happy and to make the most of all the opportunities school life brings. Pupils feel secure and supported, and in this very positive culture they are able to do their best academically and also develop as individuals. They find confidence, talents and interests that will bring them pleasure and fulfilment throughout their lives.

Lessons at St Mary's are lively and designed to encourage a real enthusiasm for learning among girls aged 3 to 16 (and boys aged 3 to 4 in the Kindergarten). Art, drama, music, sport and all manner of other activities are also entered into with great energy.

Pupils are keen to achieve and St Mary's pupils' GCSE results are consistently among the best in the area, with SATs results well above national expectations. All this, despite the fact that St Mary's is not an academically selective school.

For more information and to arrange to visit, visit the website: www.stmaryscolchester.org.uk, or contact the Registrar on 01206 216420, registrar@stmaryscolchester.org.uk

EPPING FOREST DISTRICT				
Davenant Foundation School	Chester Road, Loughton, IG10 2LD	020 85080404	www.davenantschool.co.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct. Contact school for times
Debden Park High School	Willingale Road, Debden, Loughton, IG10 2BQ	020 85082979	www.debdenparkhighschool.org	Open Day 24 Sept 9am-12noon
Epping St John's School	Bury Road, Epping, CM16 5JB	01992 573028	www.eppingstjohns.org	Open evening 22 Sept, time TBC - please check the school website
King Harold Academy	Broomstick Hall Road, Waltham Abbey, EN9 1LF	01992 714800	www.kingharold.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 1 Oct, contact school for times
Roding Valley High School	Alderton Hill, Loughton, IG10 3JA	020 85081173	www.rodingleyvalley.net	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
West Hatch High School	High Road, Chigwell, IG7 5BT	020 85048216	www.westhatch.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 13 Oct from 6.30pm
HARLOW DISTRICT				
Burnt Mill Academy	First Avenue, Harlow, CM20 2NR	01279 300555	www.burntmill.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Mark Hall Academy	First Avenue, Harlow, CM17 9LR	01279 866280	www.markhall.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 6 Oct. Contact school for times
Passmores Academy	Tracyes Rd, Harlow, CM18 6JH	01279 770800	www.passmores.essex.sch.uk	Open Day and Evening 13 Oct. Tours leave reception regularly from 9.30am. Open Evening 6.30-9.30pm with talks at 7pm & 8pm
St Mark's West Essex Catholic School	Tripton Road, Harlow, CM18 6AA	01279 421267	www.st-marks.essex.sch.uk	Open Day and Evening 29 Sept. All day. Tours 9.30am-12.45pm. Evening 7-9pm
Stewards Academy	Parnall Road, Harlow, CM18 7NQ	01279 421951	www.stewardsacademy.org	Open Evening 20 Sept 6.30-9pm
MALDON DISTRICT				
Ormiston Rivers Academy	Southminster Road, Burnham-on-Crouch, CM0 8QB	01621 782377	www.ormistonriversacademy.co.uk	Open Evening 29 Sept. Contact school for times. Open days week commencing 3 Oct
Plume School	Fambridge Road, Maldon, CM9 6AB	01621 854681	www.plume.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
ROCHFORD DISTRICT				
Greensward Academy	Greensward Lane, Hockley, SS5 5HG	01702 202571	www.greenswardacademy.org	Open Evening 6 Oct. Contact school for times
The FitzWimarc School	Hockley Road, Rayleigh, SS6 8EB	01268 743884	www.fitzwimarc.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 29 Sept 6.30-9pm. Tours every Wed 14 Sept - 19 Oct, 9am. Call to book
The King Edmund School	Vaughan Close, Rochford, SS4 1TL	01702 545771	www.kes.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 28 Sept 5-7.30pm with talks at 5.30pm & 7pm
The Swayne Park School	Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, SS6 9BZ	01268 784721	www.sweynepark.com	Open Evening 20 Sept 6-8.30pm with talk at 6.45pm & 7.45pm
SOUTHEND BOROUGH				
Belfairs Academy	Highlands Boulevard, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 3TG	01702 509000	www.belfairsacademy.org.uk	Open Days 20 Sept at 10am, 22 Sept at 2pm, & 27 Sept at 3.30pm. Call to book
Cecil Jones College	Eastern Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 4BU	01702 440000	www.ceciljonesacademy.org.uk	Open Days 20 Sept at 10am, 22 Sept at 2pm, & 27 Sept at 3.30pm. Call to book
Chase High School	Prittlewell Chase, Westcliff-on-Sea, SS0 0RT	01702 354441	www.chasehigh.org	Open evening 22 Sept 6-8.30pm
Southchurch High School (formerly Futures Community College)	Southchurch Boulevard, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 4UY	01702 586123	www.futurescommunitycollege.net	Open evening 29 Sept 7-9pm
Shoeburyness High School	Caulfield Road, Shoeburyness, SS3 9LL	01702 292286	www.shoeburynesshigh.co.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Southend High School for Boys	Prittlewell Chase, Southend-on-Sea, SS0 0RG	01702 606200	www.shsb.org.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Southend High School for Girls	Southchurch Boulevard, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 4UZ	01702 588852	www.shsg.org	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
St Bernard's High School	Milton Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, SS0 7JS	01702 343583	www.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk	Open Mornings 18-20 Oct, 9.30-11am
St. Thomas More High School	Kenilworth Gardens, Westcliff-on-Sea, SS0 0BW	01702 344933	www.st-thomasmore.southend.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
The Eastwood Academy	Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 5UU	01702 524341	www.eastwood.southend.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Thorpe Hall School (Independent)	Waking Road, Southend on Sea, Essex, SS1 3RD	01702 582340	www.thorpehallschool.co.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Westcliff High School for Boys	Kenilworth Gardens, Westcliff-on-Sea, SS0 0BP	01702 475443	www.whsb.essex.sch.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Westcliff High School for Girls	Kenilworth Gardens, Westcliff-on-Sea, SS0 0BS	01702 476026	www.whsg.info	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates

TENDRING DISTRICT

Clacton Coastal Academy	Pathfields Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 3JL	01255 428131	www.clactoncoastalacademy.org	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Clacton County High School	Walton Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 6DZ	01255 424266	www.countyhigh.org.uk	Open Day 22 Sept 6-8.30pm
Colne Community School and College	Church Road, Brightlingsea, Colchester, CO7 0QL	01206 303511	www.colne.essex.sch.uk	Open morning 8 Oct 9am-12noon
Harwich and Dovercourt High School	Hall Lane, Dovercourt, Harwich, CO12 3TG	01255 245460	www.hdhs.org.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Manningtree High School	Colchester Road, Lawford, Manningtree, CO11 2BW	01206 392852	www.manningtree.essex.sch.uk	Open Evening 5 Oct, 6.30-8.30pm
Tendring Technology College	Rochford Way, Frinton-on-Sea, CO13 0AZ	01255 672116	www.tendringtechnologycollege.org	Open Day 22 Sept, 6.30-9.30pm

THURROCK DISTRICT

Gable Hall School	Southend Road, Corringham, SS17 8JT	01375 400800	www.gablehall.com	Open Evenings 3 & 4 Oct Contact school for times
Grays Convent High School and Language College	College Avenue, Grays, RM17 5UX	01375 376173	www.graysconvent.thurrock.sch.uk	Open Evening 22 Sept 6-8pm with Headteacher's talk at 6.45pm
Harris Academy Chafford Hundred	Mayflower Road, Chafford Hundred, Grays, RM16 6SA	01375 484580	www.harrischaffordhundred.org.uk	Open Mornings 22-24 Sept 9.30-11am by appointment. Open Evening 24 Sept 5-8pm with talk at 6pm
Hassenbrook Academy	Hassenbrook Road, Stanford Le Hope, SS17 0NS	01375 671566	www.hassenbrook.org.uk	Open evenings 27-28 Sept 5.30-8pm
The Hathaway Academy	Hathaway Road, Grays, RM17 5LL	01375 371361	www.hathawayacademy.atrust.org.uk	Open Evening 20 Sept 6-8pm (talk 6pm). Tours 21, 22, 28 Sept 8.50-10am & 10.50-12noon
Ormiston Park Academy	Nethan Drive, Aveley, RM15 4RU	01708 865180	www.ormistonpark.org.uk	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
St Clere's School	Butts Lane, Stanford Le Hope, SS17 0NW	01375 641001	www.st-cleres.thurrock.sch.uk	Open Evening 28 Sept 6-9pm
The Gateway Academy	Marshfoot Road, Chadwell St Mary, RM16 4LU	01375 489000	www.thegatewayacademy.org.uk	Open Day & Evening 15 Sept. Morning tours 8.45am-12.30pm. Evening - doors open 6.30pm. Talk at 7pm
The Ockendon Academy	Erriff Drive, South Ockendon, RM15 5AY	01708 851661	www.theockendonacademy.com	Open Evening 6 Oct 4-7pm
William Edwards School	Stifford Clays Road, Grays, RM16 3NJ	01375 486000	www.williamedwards.org.uk	Open Evening 15 Sept from 6pm

UTTLESFORD DISTRICT

Felsted School (Independent)	Felsted, CM6 3LL	01371 822600	www.felsted.org	Open Day 8 Oct. Contact school for times
Forest Hall School	Forest Hall Road, Stansted Mountfitchet, CM24 8TZ	01279 813384	www.fhs.essex.sch.uk	Open Day and Evening 7 Sept 9-10.30am & 6-9pm
Joyce Frankland Academy	Bury Water Lane, Newport, Saffron Walden, CB11 3TR	01799 540237	www.jfan.org.uk	Open Evening 22 Sept 5-8pm
Saffron Walden County High School	Audley End Road, Saffron Walden, CB11 3UH	01799 513030	www.swchs.net	Please contact school direct for Open Day dates
Helena Romanes School and Sixth Form Centre	Parsonage Downs, Great Dunmow, CM6 2AU	01371 872560	www.helena-romanes.essex.sch.uk	Open Day 1 Oct 9.30am-1pm

**Helena Romanes School**

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Helena Romanes School staff are committed to providing their students with a first-class educational experience. You and your child will be their partners in valuing, encouraging and ensuring their success within a climate of high expectations.

You can experience the school's passion for learning by visiting on **Open Day** which will be on **Saturday 1st October** from 9.30am until 1pm. Or you can visit at any time and meet the team, the students and staff. They look forward to welcoming you.

For more information visit www.helena-romanes.essex.sch.uk

Colchester Academy

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At Colchester Academy they place every single student at the heart of the curriculum by providing them with exciting opportunities to challenge their minds and grow their potential for their futures. They are on a journey to 'outstanding' and earlier this year received a 'good' from Ofsted for behaviour – they're certainly a school that is making fantastic progress and are inviting everyone to visit and take a look at what they can offer.

Every student is nurtured, motivated and encouraged to be the best they can be and the culture of high aspirations, high achievement and success for all shines throughout the entire school.

Their promise to students:

- Provide a safe and secure environment where they are accepted as themselves
- Challenge and support them to achieve their best
- Provide a tolerant and respectful community
- Provide an enriched curriculum with opportunities to participate in trips
- Equip them with the skills required to explore a prosperous future.

To find out more, visit www.colchesteracademy.org.uk, call 01206 861217 or email general@colchesteracademy.org.uk



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Open Morning

Saturday 1st October

9:30am until 1pm

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- Meet our dedicated teaching staff & exceptional pupils
- Enjoy interactive experiences across a range of subjects
- Join in & have fun with hands on activities
- Tour the school and grounds
- Meet the headteacher and ask questions
- Refreshments available

To find out more, please contact Bev Louth,
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Open Evening:

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Willow Green, Ingatestone, CM4 0DJ
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Thorpe Hall School

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Green light for Thorpe Hall School's sports hall plans

Pupils, parents and staff at Southend-on-Sea's Thorpe Hall School, are celebrating after local planners gave them the green light for a dynamic new sports hall building. The proposed new facility will be a 'four badminton court' space with new changing and classroom areas and ample run-off room for a range of indoor sporting activities to meet the growing needs of the school and its wider community. It will

enable additional activities to be added to the already diverse sporting curriculum from EYFS through to KS4 and GCSE.

In designing the new facility, the school's property committee was mindful to follow Sport England guidance on court sizes, ensuring that the sports hosted can be played at county level and above. Headteacher Andrew Hampton said: "Sport continues to go from strength-to-strength in all disciplines at Thorpe Hall and the new facility will be a fantastic addition. We look forward to sharing it with the many schools, both maintained and independent, that visit

us for a full calendar of fixtures and tournaments".

For more information visit
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