

The Opportunity Curriculum

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Introduction

At West Hatch we have a very distinctive school motto to “Be the Best That We Can Be”. We strive to create:

- Confident individuals
- Successful learners and
- Responsible citizens

We believe that exam success is vital if pupils are to compete with the best. Of equal importance are the full range of experiences enshrined in our Opportunity Curriculum. This enables students to leave the school as confident, mature, articulate and ambitious young people well equipped for the next phase of their lives.

This programme helps develop in them a strong sense of self esteem based upon a secure understanding of themselves, their strengths and weaknesses.

The enrichment activities help students to widen their horizons, increase their confidence and think of others less fortunate than themselves. It helps them understand that being successful is a discipline that must be learned and applied to all aspects of their lives. It helps to develop ‘grit’ and resilience and a number of character attributes that will serve them well.

Our Opportunity Curriculum gives our students the edge, enabling them when they leave West Hatch to compete with the best.

This document seeks to draw together the whole programme.

Overview of the Year 2014-2015

Year 7 Gilwell outdoor residential experience
Sixth Form Lambourne End Induction event
Music Morning for all new Year 7 students
Sports Awards Evenings
Achievement/Presentation Evenings
Year 6 Open Evening
Year 12 Open Evening
Debating competitions at Gresham College London
Junior and Senior Maths Challenge
Gifted and Talented days for Textiles, Catering and Design Technology
Young Chef Competition
Carol Concert Year 7
Christmas Music Concert
Valentines Music Concert
Hairspray Musical
Careers trip to Epping Forest College Careers Festival
Primary School Cross Country Championship
Year 13 Student Finance talk
Information Evenings for parents in Year 7, 9, 10 and 12
National Apprenticeships Day
Duke of Edinburgh Gold and Bronze Expeditions
Rewards trips
Year 10 Work Experience for 2 weeks
Year 6 Induction Days
Geography Field trips
Year 11 and Year 13 leaving events
Creative Show Case for students completing Extended Projects
'Bouncers' performance
'The Match Girls' performance
Day of Dance for 60 Year 9 students

Visit to Emmanuel College Cambridge for a Raising Aspiration Day re future university destinations
Pupil performances at Loughton Music Festival in the Rotary Youth Makes Music Competitions and the Rotary annual May Bank Holiday Fayre
Year 10 "Be a Sixth Former for the Day"
Gifted and Talented evening for aspiring Oxbridge and Russell Group University applications
Ski trip to America (70 pupils)
ICT trip to Paris
Travel and Tourism visit to London Zoo
Year 12 students visit to Cambridge University
Speak Out Challenge for Year 10 drama students
CACHE students visited Nursery World Show
CACHE trip to the Tate Modern
CACHE trip to South Bank Christmas Markets, Eaton Manor Recruitment Fair, Museum of Childhood
Year 10 and 12 trip to the Fashion Textiles Museum in Bermondsey
Whole school Fashion Show
Business Enterprise Day - Year 9
Year 10/12 trip to the Victoria & Albert
Year 8 Design Technology Day
A boys afternoon of Dance
Year 9 Day of Dances organised by Year 12 students
Year 12 Street Dance workshops with Michael Downing
Year 10 World of Work Conference to the Marriott Hotel
Athletics trip to Portugal
Year 10 activities day at Lambourne End
Year 7 Essex University visit
Year 12 Media Studies trip to Harry Potter World
Year 10 Geography trip to the Olympic Park
Year 12 Geography field trip to Cumbria
Year 9 Geography trip to Walton-on-the-Naze
Performing Arts trip to New York
Camps International World Challenge to Kenya and Tanzania

Motivational conference for Year 9 students
Theatre visits to 'Othello' at the Globe Theatre
Economics trip to the Vue Cinema at Stratford
A range of study conferences for A Level students
Parliamentary debating competition
Several evenings of Dance 'The Story of my Life' and others organised by Year 11 students
Reality Roadshow for Year 9s session on drugs, alcohol, sexual health, consequences of behaviour (by police), healthy relationships, online safety and offender insight (reformed criminal talked about his life)
Year 10 health and wellbeing PSEC sessions on drugs and smoking awareness, alcohol awareness, sexual health and sexual exploitation, mindfulness, mental health issues
Year 12 Roadster session on alcohol, drugs and driving, how to get started, a practical driving session, a crash scene investigation, driving with Grace (real story about a girl who died in a car crash), behaviours and consequences (by the police)
Year 7 and 8 road safety and fire safety talks
Year 11 stand against violence
Year 12 sexual health talk

We also run:

An extensive programme of competitive and non competitive sports fixture/clubs in a range of activity areas;

A programme of Theatre visits including visiting productions to the school

A range of drama and music productions are scheduled throughout the year;

A programme of Community Service and Enrichment for all Sixth Form students;

All of these elements are detailed on the following pages.

Departmental Involvement to Date

Drama/Performing Arts	<p>Blood Brothers – London Production 2 visits with 6th form to Redbridge Drama Centre Midsummer Night’s Dream Theatre Trip Gecko Theatre Groups production – Yr 11 Old Victoria Theatre Trip – Yr 12 New York – Broadway Trip African Music Drop Down Day – Yr 7 Match Girls and Bouncers performances Boys intro to Dance Street Dance workshops Days of Dance Six Shakespeare plays as part of the Shakespeare Festival</p>
Learning Support	<p>Van Hage’s Garden Centre Visits to St Paul’s</p>
Psychology	<p>Freud Museum Core studies lectures (Immanuel Centre, London) Yr 12 Snaresbrook Magistrates Court Conference Yr 13 Auschwitz visit for Sixth Formers (joint visit with RS)</p>
History	<p>Imperial War Museum Trip Battlefields trip</p>
Religious Studies	<p>A visit from the Christian Education Project Yr 7 & 8 A visit from Ian Sparks CE of Haven House Yr 10 Trip to the Jewish Museum for a Holocaust speaker Sixth Form Trip to Auschwitz Six Faith speakers</p>
Science	<p>BTEC Science/Travel Tourism trip to Colchester Zoo BTEC Science trip to Epping Forest Field Centre Triple Science group History Museum Darwin Exhibition Biology Field Trip to Norfolk As Level – 2 days to Epping Forest Field centre studying Ecology modules AS Level – 2 days to Epping Forest Field centre practical assessment and studying Ecology modules G and T visit from as AST to deliver a “practical science” session on investigation skills for Yr 11 triple science students Yr 9 G and T trip to Colchester University for aspiring scientists KS5 trip to the Institute of Education – Presentations on cutting edge ideas in Physics and exam techniques KS3 trip to Horrible Science show at Chelmsford Civic Theatre Imperial College London Chemistry Challenge</p>

English	<p>Theatre Visit - Skellig - London Yr 8 Theatre Visit - Oliver – London Yr 8 Theatre Performance of Mice and Men Yr 11 Hall Write Path writing Workshop Yr 13 Chigwell Primary School – Language Work Yr 13 Twelfth Night Visit – London Yr 10 Romeo and Juliet Performance Yr 11 Heaney/Clarke Poetry Theatre show Yr 7 Shakespeare Live production KS3/4 –Romeo and Juliet Theatre visit – Stratford upon Avon KS3/4 – Much Ado About Nothing performance Yr 12 Dickens in Context Yr 12 Victoria Walk Yr 11 Duffy/Armitage Poetry Theatre Show A Level conference – Poetry – Love through the ages Yr 13 Thomas Hardy – Poetry conference Yr 8 Author Visit – Robert Muchamore Yr 8 Visit to Canterbury Cathedral and Chaucer Museum Yr 10 Visit to the Globe in London Yr 7 Visit to Chigwell Library Yr 10 Theatre Visit – Blood Brothers Stratford upon Avon theatre workshop KS3/4 – War House – Theatre Visit KS3/4 – Madame Tussauds visit Superhero’s expedition Yr 12 Theatre Visit – Antony & Cleopatra Yr 7 Jane Austen’s House Yr 8 Museum of Advertising – London KS3/4 – Theatre Visit – Lion King The Railway Children Theatres Visit Yr 8 Visit to Canterbury Cathedral & Chaucer Museum Theatre visit to the Globe to see Othello</p>
PSEC	<p>Personal Wellbeing Day Yr 12 Citizenship Day Yr 12 Hate Crime Day Yr 9 Stand Against Violence Yr 11 Sexual Health Yr 12 Reality Roadshow Yr 9 Health and Wellbeing Yr 10 Roadster Yr 12 Road Safety Yr 7 Fire Safety talk Yr 8</p>
Geography	<p>France week Yr 12/13 Field trips Norfolk Trip Yr 10 Field trip Walton on the Naze Yr 9 Yr 8 Field trips Rivers trip Yr 7 Field trips Trip to Olympic Park Field trip to Cumbria</p>
MFL	<p>Trip to Italy Yr 13</p>

	<p>Trip to Berlin Yrs 10 – 13 Trip to Normandy Yr 8 & 12 Foreign Office Yr 12/13 French Institute Francais Yr 12/13 French GCSE Master classes Yr 11 Europa Centre Yr 7 French/German/Spanish</p>
Cache Nursery Nursing Diploma	<p>Families Information Direct – Speaker Yr 2 Student Conference on relevant issues affecting the Early Years - Yr 12 & 13 Rudolph Steiner Children’s Centre Yr 12 & 13 Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood Yr 12 & 13 London Buddhist Centre Yr 12 & 13 Nursery Work Show Tate Modern South Bank Christmas Markets Museum of Childhood Eaton Manor Recruitment Fair</p>
Maths	<p>Junior Maths Challenge Intermediate Maths Challenge Senior Maths Challenge Puzzle Day Yr 7 Mathemagician Yr 8 & 10 G and T</p>
Physical Education	<p>Ski Trip USA Ski Trip to Austria Athletics and Tennis Trip Lanzarote Outdoor Ed Lake District Sports Tour Dubai, Spain Sport trip to Portugal Rugby Tours to Cheltenham, Ireland and Edinburgh Senior Boys Football Tour to Deportivo la Coruna Rugby and Netball Tour to Dubai Basketball Tour to Boston</p>
Duke of Edinburgh	<p>Bronze, Silver and Gold Practices and Final expeditions</p>
Business Studies and Economics	<p>OCR Trip to Innocence Headquarters Business Studies Masterclass Yr 11 Talk by the Head of Education at Microsoft OCR Trip to John Lewis to look at Customer Service Trip to Colchester Zoo Yr 10 External Speaker Visit to vocational groups about starting a business 1 day enterprise event for Yr 12 Trip to Vue Cinema</p>
Design and Technology	<p>D & T Activity as part of National D & T Week Yr 8 Professionals from Industry work with pupils on a theme of ‘British Traditions Crafts and Skills’ – Food – Local Chef, Textiles – Patchwork Crafter and Resistant Materials – Toy Designer Yr 8 (2010)</p>

	<p>G & T/Business Activity – Yr 9 Professionals from industry working alongside pupils – In Food – Chef, In Textiles – Fashion Illustrator, Resistant Materials – Jewellery Designer</p> <p>Young Chefs Competitions</p> <p>National Rotary Club Young Chef Competitions</p> <p>Day visit to Redbridge College – GCSE Catering Students</p> <p>Master Chef Competition – GCSE Catering pupils</p> <p>Trip to the Knitting & Stitching Show previous years trip to the Clothes Show – GCSE Textiles</p> <p>Visit to the V & A Museum – GCSE Textiles</p> <p>Fashion Show – joint venture between Textiles and Cache</p> <p>Year 10 and 12 trip to Fashion & Textiles Museum in Bermondsey</p> <p>Design and Textiles Drop Down Days</p>
Travel and Tourism	<p>BTEC Trip Yr 10</p> <p>London Eye</p> <p>London Dungeons</p> <p>O2</p> <p>Colchester Zoo</p> <p>London Zoo</p>
ICT	Trip to Disneyland Paris
Media	Trip to Harry Potter World

Productions and Presentations

Performances at high profile events in London including Mansion House, The Guildhall, Royal Festival Hall, Painters Hall and The Royal Albert Hall

Music	School Musicals – Grease, Oliver, Hairspray Christmas Carol Concert Valentines Concert Summer Concert Talent Show We have had 3 students get to the final of Britain’s Got Talent with 2 coming second in the Country and further pupils reaching the quarter final in The X Factor and appearing on The Voice Performances at Loughton Music Festival Rotary Youth Makes Music Competition Rotary annual fund raising event
Drama	School Musicals – Oliver Summer 2014 Hairspray 2015 Grease planned for 2016 Year 10 GCSE Drama Productions Year 11 GCSE Drama Productions Year 12 AS Drama Productions Year 13 AS Drama Productions Shakespeare Festival – Much Ado About Nothing Macbeth As You Like It Midsummer Night’s dream
Performing Arts	Various performances throughout the year
Dance	Dance evenings over 3 nights with 150 pupils taking part – plus dance events organised by students
Achievement Evenings	Achievement evenings and assemblies
Physical Education	Two Sports Awards Evening
Evenings for Parents	UCAS Presentation and University Talks Year 7 Settling in Evening Sixth Form Open Evening Parents Forums – Keeping Safe, Mental Health Surviving the Teenage Years Year 9 Option Evening Parents Consultation Evening Information Evenings for Years 7, 9, 10 and 12 on how parents can support their sons/daughters learning at home Year 6/7 Open Evening

Careers Provision

The overarching aims of our Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) provision is based on the three main areas of career and work-related learning, as outlined in The ACEG Framework:

1. To help students with their self-awareness and self-development, through careers and work-related learning.
2. To help students with their career exploration, making sure they understand all the options available.
3. To help students with their career management, making sure they are fully prepared for the world of work.

As well as this, our CEIAG provision also aims to:

- enable students to make informed and realistic decisions about their future and support with their transition.
- develop students employability skills and contribute to the schools aim of raising aspiration and motivation.
- meet the specific needs of all our students, through appropriate differentiation and tailored support.

We are committed to:

- providing a planned programme of activities to which all students are entitled and will have access
- promoting equal opportunities and challenging stereotypical thinking and attitudes
- ensuring that all students progress to an opportunity in further education, training or employment
- involving pupils, parents and carers in the further development of our CEIAG work
- the provision of resources and advice to enable students to understand and develop career choices and to ensure that careers education is seen as part of the overall curriculum and learning framework for all years

Provision

All Years

Our standard provision, which applies to all our students includes:

PSEC Careers Lessons / Access to one-on-one careers meetings / Access to Careers Centre

Pre-16 Provision

Year 7

Careers Centre Induction

Year 8

Plan for the future folder

Year 9

Options Workshops / Options Evening / Options one-to-one / Tailored options support (if required) / Transition Month & Day

Year 10 One-on-One Careers Meeting / CV & Interview skills workshops / Mock Interviews /

Work Experience (2 weeks)

Year 11 Apprenticeship, College, Sixth Form Roadshows / Application Workshop / Transition Day

Post-16 Provision

Year 12 Higher Education Support / Not Going to Uni. / One-on-One Meeting with Mrs Moore /

CV & Interview Skills Workshops / Higher Apprenticeship Provider Sessions / Futures Day

Year 13 UCAS Application Support / Higher Apprenticeship Application Support /

Higher Apprenticeship Provider Sessions

Staff Responsibilities

Mr G Towsey	CEIAG Coordinator
Mrs I Muscatt	Work Experience Coordinator
Mrs K Moore	Sixth Form Coordinator (Pastoral)
Mr G Green	KS5 Higher Education Coordinator
Mr S Langton	Assistant Headteacher (CEIAG link)
Mr S Treacher	CEIAG & Employer Link Governor

Provision for all students

All students can access the Careers Centre and Careers Library

All students can access one-on-one careers meetings

All students take part in Careers PSEC sessions, which includes topics such as:

- Understanding your options
- Applying for College, Sixth Form, Apprenticeships and University
- Employability Skills
- Financial Literacy
- Different types of jobs/careers

Targeted provision:

Our Careers Department work with our Learning Support Department and Pastoral Support Team, to offer targeted provision for specific students. This provision could include, but is not limited to:

- Targeted Support and guidance with choosing options in Year 9
- College visits in Year 10 and Year 11
- Meeting with parents/carers about progression and the next step
- Aspiration Programme in Year 10 and 11, targeting potential NEET students
- A Motivation Conference, in Year 9, to discuss plans for the future and raise aspirations
- A World of Work Conference, in Year 10, to highlight careers and skills employers want
- Apprenticeship/College/Sixth Form Application support for students in Year 11

PSHEe & Citizenship

Curriculum

- Project based learning cycle that runs over 5 years
- Six modules per year (1 per half term) with 30 minutes teaching time per week
- Each module contains 5 topics that will be covered over the 5 year cycle
- Literacy and numeracy skills are incorporated into the project based work
- Each project will focus on developing students L2L skills

Assessment

- Learning will be assessed through a process of peer, self and teacher assessed tasks
- An overall PSHe & Citizenship grade will be reported in the final progress check of the year (years 7-11 only)

The modules are as follows:

1. Law

- Prejudice & Discrimination
- Law and order
- Justice
- Terrorism
- Religious law

2. Morality (RS link)

- Capital punishment
- Euthanasia
- Abortion
- Human Rights
- Racism

3. Awareness

- Internet safety
- Road safety
- First aid
- Financial awareness
- Relationships (focus on abuse)

4. Careers

- See insert under Careers

5. Politics – Umbrella topic of a comparison to UK political system and current news
 - Russia – Ukraine/Crimea
 - America – Republican vs democrat
 - South Africa – Mandela, Apartheid
 - China – link to Beijing Olympics corruption etc
 - Korea – North vs South, US involvement

6. Health – Umbrella topic of healthy and active lifestyle i.e. diet and exercise
 - Mental Health
 - Eating disorders
 - Addiction – smoking and alcoholism
 - Addiction – gambling
 - Addiction – drugs

Drop Down Days

One full Drop Down Day per Year (9, 10 and 12) with the focus being on the following:

- Road Safety
- Drug Awareness
- Sex Education
- Eating Disorders
- Mental Health
- Safe Relationships
- Behaviours and Consequences
- Alcohol Awareness
- Mindfulness

Focus sessions for Years 7, 8 and 11

- Sex Education
- Eating Disorders
- Internet Safety
- Road Safety
- Fire safety and hoax calls
- First Aid
- Violence and consequences
- Mental Health

External Input - Speakers who have visited the school

Company/Speaker	Year Group	Topic
Ann Widcombe MP	Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	Goal Setting
Ray Winston	Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	Making the Most of School Days
Microsoft UK Education Directors, Steve Beswick & Mike Lloyd	Years 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	Microsoft – Making your Mark
Eleanor Laing MP	Years 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	How to Succeed
Deputy Lieutenant of London	Years 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	Achievement
John Barber	Presentation Eve	Being a Good Citizen
Drugline	Year 9 Year 12	Drugs
Wendy Gough	Year 10	Testicular and Breast Cancer
2 Smart Roadshow	Year 7	Drugs, alcohol, knives and bullying
School Nurses	Year 12	Cancer screening, self-examination etc.
'Essex Police'	Year 9	Crime
ASA	Year 12	Swimming Coach Award
'Enterprise Education'	Year 11	Enterprise skills for the workplace
Christian Education Project	Year 7, 8	What it means to be a Christian
Queen Mary University	Year 12	Why Apply?
Queen Mary University	6 th Form Parents	Dealing with Financial Issues
Gecko Theatre Group	Year 11	Drama Workshops
Enterprise in Science	Year 10	Carbon Footprint Talk
The Young Shakespeare Co	Year 9	Romeo and Juliet performance
Fire Brigade	Year 7	Fire Safety
Stopwatch Theatre Group	Year 7	Road Safety
A range of sporting coaches		
British Army	Year 12	Wars, Weapons and Terrorism
Ashiana Network	Year 12	Domestic Abuse
Met Police	Year 12	Personal Safety
Young People Sexual Health Service	Year 12	Sex Education
NEPFT Mental Health	Year 12	Mental Health Advice
Road Safety Productions	Year 12	Driving Safely
Derya Ratip, Psychotherapist, Broad Moor Secure Hospital	Year 12	
Jack Mizon, British Army	Years 10, 11, 12	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
NEPT Mental Health	Years 10,11	Helping you Mates

Drugline	Year 10,11	
Young Peoples Sexual Health Service	Years 7, 8, 9	Sex Education
Met Police	Years 7, 8, 9	Sex and the Law
Terry Newman (Local Businessman)	Years 10, 11, 12 and 13	'Small Business Presentation'
Danny Crates Paralympian	Year 8, 9	The Futures is Yours
Wendy Smith Paralympian	Year 8, 9	Succeeding Beyond Belief
Argentine Education Minister	Year 11, 12 and 13	IT in Schools
Ray Winston	Year 12 and 13	Achieving Success
James Grime		Enigma Events/Maths
Andrew Jeffrey	Year 8	Maths Magician
HSBC		Stock Market Talk
Queen Mary Admissions Tutor		New students finance arrangements Applying for University abroad
Epping Forest Council	Year 9	Reality Road Show on personal safety
Essex Police	Year 9	Hate Crime
BP	Year 10	The Carbon Footprint Show
Gary Lee Chef at The Ivy restaurant, London	Year 8	Gifted and Talented Day
External Teacher	Year 11	AST 'Practical Science' Investigation skills for Gifted and Talented students
Ruth Breckel	Cache Students	Autism and the Sonrise Programme
Laura Davis	Cache Students	Recruitment drive for volunteers for Norward play scheme for disabled children
Sam Leeman-Strut	Cache Students	
Amy Rooney, Kids Unlimited	Cache Students	
Paul Reynolds, Tax Partner at Haslers Chartered Accountants	Year 10-13	Guest speaker at Achievement Awards Evening
Danielle Meder, Vogue and London Fashion Week Designer	Year 9	Fashion Drawing
Deborah Dougal, Parker Chartered Accountants	Year 10-13	Guest Speaker at Achievement Awards Evening
Katherine Connelly Doctoral research in History at Queen Mary's London	Year 12 and 13	Guest Speaker on Sylvia Pankhurst, Suffragettes and Socialism
Tony Ward CEO of Home Funding Ltd	Years 7-10	Guest Speaker at Achievement Awards Evening
Gunjan Lakhanpaul Investment Banker, RBS	Years 7-10	Guest Speaker at Achievement Awards Evening
Barry Scruffon Chigwell Parish Council	Years 7-10	Guest Speaker at Achievement Awards Evening
Priya Raju Jewellery Specialist and Designer	Year 9	Gifted and Talented Day – Jewellery Designing in D+T
Keith Ross Executive Chef at West Ham United FC	Year 9	Gifted and Talented Day – working alongside top chef

Mandy Aulak Solicitor specialising in Employment Law	Year 11-13	Speaker at Achievement Evening
Emma Nissim Sustainable Fashion Designer	Year 9	Gift design using decoupage technique
Robert Earl Ocran, Toy Designer	Year 9	Game Creation
Graeme Holmes Head Chef at David Lloyd	Year 9	Celebration food for large numbers

Competitions

Students are entered for a number of national and regional competitions and have been very successful – eg:

- Winners of the Make your Mark Challenge
- Winners at the Annual Mental Health Drama Competition held at Essex University. Competition out of 17 schools
- Finalist at the Chemistry Challenge – Imperial College London
- Winners of the Stock Market Challenge – Anglia Ruskin College
- Maths Challenge at Junior, Intermediate and Senior Levels
- Master Chefs Regional Competition
- Active Kids get cooking

House Competitions

Our House system has enabled us to increase the number of Inter-house competition we are able to run. All staff are in a House and a number of the competitions involve them too.

Competitions to date:

Gillwell - Inter house points competition

Science: Health & Safety Poster

This is Me project for Year 7

PE: Cross Country

MFL: European Day of Languages

Catering: Great West Hatch Bake Off - Whole School

Inter House X-Mas Decoration Competition

Art: 'Pop Stars' Art Competition

Christmas Jumper Competition - Whole School

Design an App whole school competition

Close Up Quiz

Valentines Fancy Dress - Whole School competition

PE: Girls Swimming/Boys Football

Ethos Statement Posters - Whole school competition.

RE: Design & build a place of worship

Girls Rounders/Boys Rounders

Inter-house staff tug of war

Inter-house sports day

Inter-house activity day

Sporting Opportunities

We run an extensive programme of competitive and non-competitive sports fixtures, clubs across a whole range of disciplines.

Sport Competitions entered by West Hatch High School

Football

District league & Essex cup for all years, plus friendly matches
National cup for selected year groups
Essex cup for selected girls teams

Rugby

District leagues for all years, plus friendly matches
District Tag Rugby competition for u13 girls
Essex cup, daily mail (national) cup for u15 and u18

Basketball

District league for all years, plus friendly matches
Essex cup & national cup for selected teams

Cricket

Essex cup for all years, plus friendlies

Athletics

District Championships & English Schools Championships for u13 & u15, boys and girls plus friendly matches

Tennis

District cup for u13 & u15 boys, plus friendly matches
National Championships for u13 & u15 & senior boys

Netball

District League for all years, plus friendly matches

Rounders

District League for all years, plus friendly matches

Swimming

District Championships for all years, plus friendly matches

Golf

District & Essex Championships for selected players

Hockey Training

At Old Loughtonians Hockey Club every Friday 3.15pm-5.45pm plus 9 sessions on Friday mornings 9am-11am (with Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students)

World Marathon Challenge

At Lea Valley Indoor Athletics Arena – Friday 10th October 2014 – 20 West Hatch students (Year 7 and 8)

Target Team for SEN Students

Pupils partake in a weekly club and play different Paralympic sports such as Boccia and curling as well as new games such as table cricket and sitting volleyball. A recent event which took place at Redbridge Sports Centre saw them compete against other schools in the area.

2015

Ski trip to America

Athletics trip to Portugal

2014

Rugby trip to Cheltenham for Years 8-10

Ski trip to America

BTEC sports trip to South Wales on an outdoor adventure activity

2013

Rugby tour to Cheltenham

Ski trip to San Francisco

2012

Ski trip to Killington, Vermont, USA

Athletics and tennis trip to Palma, Majorca

Outdoor activity trip to Lake District

2011

Athletics and tennis trip to Club La Santa, Lanzarote at Easter

Rugby tour to Cheltenham

Ski trip to Colorado, USA at February half term

2010

Athletics and tennis trip to Lanzarote

Ski trip to Austria

2009

Senior boys football tour to Deportivo La Coruna, Spain

Athletic and tennis trip to Lanzarote

Ski trip to Colorado, USA

2008

Rugby and netball tour to Dubai

Basketball tour to Boston, USA

Ski trip to Colorado, USA

2007

Football and basketball tour to Bradenton, Florida, USA

Rugby tour to Edinburgh

Ski trip to Austria

2006

Rugby tour to Dublin, Ireland

We won the District Athletics Summer 2012 and 2015

We are District champions in Netball, Football, Basketball and Rugby

County Champions in Basketball, Football and Rugby and got to the quarterfinal in the National Basketball Championship

Finalists in the Essex Cup at Sixth Form level

International School Visits

We have had students visit India and China on study exchanges. We have hosted teachers from Korea, Japan, China and India on separate occasions.

In addition we run the World Challenge Scheme whereby our students have visited Ghana, Ecuador and Brazil trekking and helping out on a Community based project.

With Camps International they have visited Kenya and Tanzania.

Pupils have also support a number of charities, notably 'Hope in Sri Lanka'. We adopted a school decimated by the Tsunami and have supported it alongside an orphanage called 'Agape'.

Student have visited regularly over the year whether on a Gap year or during the summer.

Fund Raising

Major fund raising takes place. In addition to funding many water tanks, at St Mary's, our adopted orphanage, the school has also funded a Counselling Annex that has been built on to the school.

Other activities supported include:

Genes for Jeans Day Genetic Research
Breast Cancer
Haven House – Children's Cancer
Poppy Appeal
Blind Dogs Appeal
Bobby Moore Cancer Appeal recently raising over £40k
International Women's Day
Macmillan Cancer Appeal coffee mornings
Meningitis Toddle Waddle
Nepal Earthquake Appeal

House charities which have been the focus for much fund raising are:

Austen	Marie Curie
Brunel	Epilepsy
Fiennes	MS Society
Newton	Cystic Fibrosis
Pankhurst	Barnado's
Roddick	Help for Heroes

Sixth Form Enrichment Programme

As a school we place great store on ensuring our students are in a strong position to paint a very attractive picture of themselves when they come to apply for university, apprenticeships or employment.

To this end we create opportunities for them to build on their Work Experience at KS4 with work shadowing, placements and internships actively encouraged.

In addition, students can take the Extended Project and the Duke of Edinburgh Award at Bronze and Gold Level, get involved with public speaking and debating, the World Challenge, Camps International and the Global Young Leaders Programme.

They undertake voluntary service and compete in local, national and university led competitions which all add considerably to their self belief and confidence.

In addition, they can engage in an extensive trips and visits programme, field work, sports tours and ski trips.

They can apply for positions as Prefects, Peer Mentors, Sports Referees and coaches. They can perform in Dance Shows, Performing Arts events, musicals and concerts. They can organise social events, river cruises, Summer Balls, fun sports days, Live Lounge multi stage band nights.

They can get involved in competitive and social sports, refereeing and umpiring qualifications, set design and technical support roles – sound and lighting at a full range of events, have a taster driving lesson and the opportunity to run their own company.

University Preparation and Sixth Form Life

Provision at West Hatch in this very important area is extensive, with university visits to Oxford, Cambridge, London and Essex organised.

Students are taken to Higher Education conventions and are exposed to a whole range of opportunities that will enable them to paint a very attractive picture of their achievements when they fill in their UCAS form or create their CV.

Students have access to the Global Young Leaders Conference in Washington DC or Beijing. They can opt to shadow a surgeon in India with Gap Medics if they are considering medicine. They can join the Camps International programme for a month trekking in a remote corner of the world completing a community based project. They can complete the EPQ Extended Professional Qualification conducting an extensive piece of research that they can talk about at interview or describe on application forms that will demonstrate their passion for their opted subject, career path or university course. They are actively encouraged and supported in securing work placements/internships again to demonstrate their commitment to their chosen career path or course. In addition, we offer:

- A specific programme to support students UCAS completion

- Sutton Trust and Oxford University summer schools
- Oxbridge conference visit
- University of London taster days
- Student and parent talks from Queen Mary College
- Oxford University study days
- Essex Targeting High Universities event
- Essex Higher Education conference
- UCAS card and Stamford online questionnaire
- Specific university visits
- Information evenings for parents

There are also many leadership opportunities especially via our new House system for them to take the initiative. They will be leading House events, organising sport, competitions, charity fund raising, music, drama and dance activities and performances. They will be peer mentors, positive role models and will be called upon to give advice and guidance to younger students at key times in the year. Sixth Formers will have the chance to become Prefects and then apply for the coveted Head Boy and Girl and House Captain positions. They also will have the chance to compete in competitions at local and national level – all further enhancing their CV and UCAS applications.

A key element of Sixth Form life is Community Service where students select an area they would like to contribute to and give something back. Many choose to work alongside staff in the class room, taking on coaching sessions or umpiring. Others work 1:1 or with small groups helping to build up their confidence with their reading or Maths.

In addition, there are opportunities for them to get involved in public speaking and debating. Many of them will also demonstrate further their leadership potential by organising Live Lounges (multi band events), Talent and fashion shows for the main school and will have the chance to perform musically at concerts and events throughout the year.

As part of their Sixth Form experience Year 12 students attend a team building event where they take part in a series of challenges which includes swamp crossing, bridge building, cycling, rock climbing and orienteering. We feel this is very important as such activities help develop perseverance and resilience.

Each House has a Head Boy and Girl selected from Year 13. They are assisted by two Year 11 students who are their deputies. This team work very closely with each Head of House in leading and organising events, and being first class role models.

We have a team of senior prefects from Year 13 and Year 11 prefects across all six Houses who assist staff in a range of roles; meeting and greeting visitors, guiding them around school, mentoring of younger students, assisting them with their work and progress across the school. At lunchtime they help supervise movement around the site and assist with queue management in the dining hall area. They organise inter-House competitions and fundraising. In addition we have Sports Ambassadors for each House who work very closely with the PE department in organising events.

Sixth Form Community Service Programme

All Sixth Form students have the opportunity to be involved in our Community Service Programme.

This involves students assisting in school and runs throughout the Year.

The students choose from the following:-

- Peer Mentoring for Yr. 7 and 8 Students. Students involved receive a two day training programme to enable them to do this effectively.
- Assisting with and supporting departments. This will involve them in working with individual students or small groups,
 - (i) Generating resources
 - (ii) Helping with displays
 - (iii) Supporting staff in lessons
 - (iv) Acting as language assistants for students in Yr. 10 & 11
- Maths 'A' Level students mentoring providing focussed intervention for those in Yr. 11 who are vulnerable in terms of achieving a Grade C.
- Taking lunchtime clubs – IT Club, Choir
- Running Coaching sessions, sports practices
- Organising tournaments and sports events
- Organising talent shows, drama, dance presentations and Fashion shows
- Those students who demonstrate reliability and commitment can then apply to become a prefect for the school
- A number of Departments operate Ambassadors in their areas who take on Leadership in these areas ie: Drama, Music and PE and IT

In addition students assist with local Brownie & Cub packs and Air Cadets

Our Eco-school reps run the whole school recycling scheme and every half term undertake a litter pick in the local area in conjunction with Chigwell Parish Council.

We have provided music for our local Blind Dog Appeal funday. We support our local Rotary Club in a number of music events "Youth Makes Music", local fayres etc.

Peer Mentoring

Training

Two days

Training focuses on: listening skills, dealing with distress, confidentiality and Child Protection.

They support students who may be finding it hard to settle, mix and meet new friends. They help students resolve differences and assist with strategies that will help them be successful learners and happy at school.

Year 13

Help with tutor groups

These students attended and assisted at the Year 7 Gilwell trip

Students attend 2 registrations with follow up appointments where needed

Year 12

Attend registrations and Form Time with Year 7 groups

Meetings

Meet once every 3-4 weeks

Mentors exchange ideas and get support from teaching staff

Leadership Opportunities

Head Boy and Girl

We have an overall Head Boy and Girl who represent the school at a number of public events.

They oversee the wider Prefect Team and are a mouth piece for the Sixth Form, meeting regularly with the Headteacher and Sixth Form team.

Head Boys and Girls of Houses

Each of our six Houses has a Head Boy and Girl who do much to lead on fundraising, House competitions and have a high profile in the life and work of each House.

Sports Leaders

Every House has its own team of Sports Ambassadors who help with fixtures, sporting events especially with Primary Schools, communication with sports teams, House competitions and are strong role models for their Houses.

Charity Ambassadors

Every House has its own team of Charity Fundraisers who do much good work organising events for their own bespoke House charity.

Year 8 Recycling Team

A large team of Year 8 students run the whole school recycling programme on a weekly basis.

Year 8 Duty Students

All Year 8s take a turn at being our Duty Student for a half day – helping out with day to day tasks in the Office, welcoming visitors, taking messages and returning lost property.

Student Ambassadors

We have a team of students who welcome applicants who come for interview and give them a guided tour of the school, responding to their questions.

Tour Guides

Every year over 300 students return to be Tour Guides at our Year 6 Open Evening taking prospective parents and students on tours of the school.

Student Voice

We run House Councils and a whole school Student Council who do much great work. We have 120 students in Year 7-13 leading Student Voice activities across the school and all students are given the opportunity to pass on their thoughts and feelings regularly.

Students have generated our Ethos and Values Statements. They have contributed significantly to a new Behaviour Policy and have generated a large mural alongside professional artists to depict our key values that inform all we do.

House Committee

**Two students from each
Tutor group within a House**

Executive Committee

**Two students from each
House
Chaired by the Head Boy
and Head Girl
(whole school)**

Tutor Committee

**A meeting where all
students are to speak on a
given topic and pass on
their views and ideas of the
changes they would like to
see Chaired by the
two Tutor Reps**

Student Behaviour Panel

Each House has a Student Behaviour Panel who sit each half term and call students to account for their behaviour. This has significant impact on behaviour with increased self awareness and responsibility resulting.

In addition, for all senior appointments students from the School Council meet with candidates, ask them questions on key whole school topics/issues and feed into the decision making process.

Extended Schools

On a weekly basis we have over one thousand users of the school site outside of lesson times.

Provision ranges from swimming, Netball, Pilates, IT, Art courses, Football, Theatre, Music, Dance and Keep Fit.

We continue to offer our facilities in particular the pool to our local Special Needs School, St John 's, who come twice a week during the school day to use it.

In addition we work very closely with a cluster of primary schools with a member of our PE staff working, closely coaching PE staff in these schools. He also organises a number of sporting events with these schools.

Many of the students then transfer to West Hatch.

Tag Rugby Family Festival at West Hatch with 6 local primary schools (50 KS2 pupils)

Tag Rugby West Essex District Final at West Hatch with 9 local primary schools (80 KS2 pupils)

Cross Country West Essex Primary School District Championship at West Hatch (400 KS2 runners)

Other smaller events/coaching are held at West Hatch during the academic year involving Chigwell Infants and Primary, Lambourne Infants and Primary, Chigwell Row Infants plus a number of Roding Valley High School feeder schools; sports include handball, uni-hoc, football, capture the flag and basketball.

Extra Curricular Programmes