



# Aim High

**Aim High** supports you to achieve your ambitions and fulfil your potential. If you have particular talents, a passion for success, or simply a desire to challenge yourself, the **Aim High** initiative will help you to reach your goals.

There is plenty of extra support available for all our students who are **Aiming High**, whatever their chosen course, subject or profession.

**AIM HIGH** is the phrase to look out for if you need the edge when it comes to thinking about a future in a competitive profession, course or university.



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## What support is there?

The simple answer is a lot! However, by this age everyone's path is very different and so we aim to make our support as individual as we can. We support and encourage students to **AIM HIGH**, forging their own way forward. To do this we offer a wide range of opportunities.

Some examples:

- Individual advice and support for every student who wants it
- Enrichment courses and activities
- Specific individual support to maximise sporting, musical, artistic or acting talent
- Extra tuition if there are entrance exams to be sat or interviews required
- Master-classes for vocational students, who often successfully compete at national level
- Conference at the end of the AS year for competitive universities
- Specific programmes for potential lawyers and medics
- Work experience – vital for competitive university and job applications
- University open day trips

## Who could benefit?

There are several ways in which students who could benefit from the college's **AIM HIGH** programme might be identified:

- Students wanting to work in a competitive profession, such as Teaching, Nursing, Sport Science, Law, Medicine, Veterinary Science
- Exceptional ability in a skill, sport or subject – vocational, A levels or talents outside College
- Academically, students with strong GCSEs, where the majority of grades are A or A\*
- Students applying for competitive HE courses at competitive universities. The most competitive courses currently are: English, History, Law, Medicine, Nursing, Sport Science, Teaching, Veterinary Science.

Competitive universities generally require A, A, B at 'A' level

- Students identified by tutors or lecturers as performing especially well in a particular subject



## What students say:

*"[Through Aim High activities] I met others who had the same enthusiasm as me which really encouraged me to think big. Aim High really helped me promote myself in the application and being part of the group looks good on other applications."*

AM (SDC 2009)

*"Thanks very much for all the information you have given me, it's been a great help. As you suggested I have applied for the Vet. Med. Summer School at Cambridge, via the Sutton Trust."*

RH (SDC 2011)

## How Do I Find Out More?

You can find out more at open evenings or, once you have started College, from your tutor or:

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