

LIAISON CATALOGUE 2024-25



OPEN EVENTS

Tuesday 8th October 2024

Wednesday 20th November 2024

Tuesday 25th February 2025



WELCOME

TO THE CITY OF STOKE-ON-TRENT SIXTH FORM COLLEGE LIAISON CATALOGUE

We pride ourselves on offering a wide variety of extensive activities and events to engage with schools across the city and surrounding areas. Our commitment is to showcase what our Sixth Form College has to offer, helping students explore further subjects and experiences to make informed decisions about their futures. We aim to assist you in providing a well-rounded and engaging transition programme for your students.

OUR LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Our collection of liaison activities has been designed to:

- Inspire and show students the exciting possibilities available at our Sixth Form College.
- Stimulate and engage students in hands-on, interactive sessions that highlight various subjects and career paths.
- Support and provide resources and guidance to help students make informed decisions about their post-16 education.

GATSBY BENCHMARKS

Our Liaison Catalogue is designed to embed Gatsby Benchmarks, supporting schools in achieving the framework requirements. These benchmarks are crucial for ensuring high-quality careers education and guidance.

ACTIVITIES OFFERED

All our activities are completely free of charge and can be adapted to fit the specific needs of your school. We cater to year groups 8 to 11 and can host events either at our Sixth Form College or within your school. We welcome the opportunity to speak to students, parents/guardians, and school staff.

CUSTOMISED PROGRAMMES

We can adapt our programmes to suit your school's requirements. If there is a specific activity you would like us to deliver or support you with, please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss it in further detail.

CONTACT US

We are here to help you provide the best experiences for your students. To discuss our activities or to tailor a programme for your school, please reach out to us. We look forward to working with you and inspiring the next generation of students.

Email our friendly Liaison Team:

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GATSBY BENCHMARKS

The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College's Liaison Catalogue has been tailored to ensure all activities compliment schools Careers strategies and will help to achieve the Gatsby Benchmarks. All activities will achieve at least one of the benchmarks, pages 4 & 5 give examples of which benchmarks the activity achieves.

- 1 A STABLE CAREERS PROGRAMME**
Providers should have an embedded programme of careers education and guidance that is known and understood by students, parents, teachers and employers.
- 2 LEARNING FROM CAREER AND LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION**
Every student and their parent should have access to good quality information about future study options.



Good careers guidance is critical if young people are to raise their aspirations and capitalise on the opportunities available to them. Gatsby welcomes the release of new government careers strategy and its adoption of the Gatsby Careers Benchmarks. The benchmarks define world-class careers guidance.

THE GATSBY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION



- 3 ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF EACH PUPIL**
Providers should have an embedded programme of careers education and guidance that is known and understood by students, parents, teachers and employers.
- 4 LINKING CURRICULUM LEARNING TO CAREERS**
Every student and their parent should have access to good quality information about their future study options.
- 5 ENCOUNTERS WITH EMPLOYERS & EMPLOYEES**
Students should have multiple opportunities to learn from employers about the world of work and the skills valued in the workplace.
- 6 EXPERIENCE OF WORKPLACES**
Students should be inspired through real life contacts.
- 7 ENCOUNTERS WITH FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION**
Students should understand the full range of opportunities that are available to them and pathways to their future careers.
- 8 PERSONAL GUIDANCE**
Students should have the opportunity for IAG with a professionally trained Careers Advisor.



DESIGN YOUR OWN PROGRAMME

You can download our Liaison Catalogue and use the table below to start planning your Sixth Form College Liaison Programme using the liaison catalogue as a guide.

WHICH EVENT?	YEAR GROUP	DELIVERY METHOD (i.e. Virtual, in your school or the College)	EVENT INFORMATION	SUGGESTED DATES
Example: Challenge Day	10	At the College	Focus on Creative	November 2024

WHAT NEXT?

- Use this table to help select what liaison activities and events your school would like to participate in.
- Return your table to us via the contact email information provided.
- We will then be in touch with you very shortly to confirm your liaison bookings with us.

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We look forward to working with you and supporting your students' educational journeys.



SCAN HERE TO DOWNLOAD

If you would like to use this table to help with planning your school's events and activities, please do so. You can download the table by scanning the QR code. We kindly ask that you contact us to ensure your bookings are confirmed and everything is well planned in advance.

LIAISON SUPPORT

Here at the City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College we are committed in being able to offer a varied liaison support offer which can further inform students about their future aspirations and next steps. We have provided a number of liaison support sessions that we are more than happy to deliver when requested. Don't see what you're looking for? Let us know and we will work to support your request, the sooner we can book you in our calendar the better!

COLLEGE PRESENTATION (BENCHMARKS 1, 2 & 7)

This presentation aims to inspire students to consider studying post-16 with an insight into student life and what to expect from the Sixth Form College. The messages can be tailored to school needs. These can be delivered as an assembly to a whole year group; in a classroom setting or to parents.

JOINT PRESENTATION WITH OTHER PROVIDERS (BENCHMARKS 1, 2, 5 & 7)

We can work in collaboration with other Further Education, Higher Education and Training Providers to deliver presentations around future study options, career pathways and other progression opportunities.

YEAR 11 COLLEGE APPLICATION WORKSHOPS (BENCHMARKS 1, 3 & 7)

We can work with your Year 11 cohorts on college applications. This helps students navigate the application process. They will receive guidance on completing forms, writing personal statements, and preparing for interviews, along with personalised feedback to enhance their applications. This workshop aims to equip students with the confidence and skills needed for successful college applications for their next steps.

MOCK INTERVIEWS (BENCHMARKS 1, 3, 5 & 7)

Mock interviews simulate real job interviews, we can help students develop communication and professional skills, and help in boosting their confidence. Mock interviews provide realistic practice, constructive feedback, and self-reflection on career goals. The interviews teach professionalism and can offer networking opportunities. Schools can use our mock interviews offer to enhance career readiness, providing practical experience and valuable insights.

OPTIONS PACKAGE (BENCHMARKS 1, 2, 3, 4 & 7)

We want to support your cohorts when choosing their options. Whether this is in Y8 or Y9, our curriculum staff are keen to work with students on the run up to making these decisions. We can work with you to create a bespoke calendar of events to complement your programme of study.

Please see our Y9 Aspire day on page 23 that will support this cohort.

Please contact liaison@stokesfc.ac.uk for more information.



GCSE RESULTS DAY (BENCHMARKS 3 & 7)

Staff can attend your school on GCSE Results Day to offer students important advice and guidance at this crucial time of year.

CAREERS EVENTS (BENCHMARKS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7)

Specialist curriculum staff can attend careers events in school to offer expert advice and guidance in relation to college courses. Interactive activities are also provided to engage students and give them an insight into the course. Former students from your school can also attend events to talk to students and their parents about college life.

AWARD CEREMONIES

Here at the Sixth Form College, we are proud to sponsor prizes for outstanding students at your awards ceremonies. An email will be sent to you separately at the beginning of each academic year.

MOCK GCSE RESULTS SESSIONS (BENCHMARKS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7)

We can support Mock GCSE Results Sessions to be able to provide further information advice and guidance. We can help by guiding students from receiving mock results as to what course level and offers would be available to them if they were to continue working to that level. We are able to provide further course guidance and insight to help learners in their future goals and next steps. We can support students further in motivating them to be aiming high to get the best possible outcomes for their GCSE results.

COLLEGE TOURS (BENCHMARKS 3 & 7)

Discover your future at our college with an immersive campus tour experience! Join us for an exciting journey through our state-of-the-art facilities, vibrant student life, and inspiring academic programs. Our knowledgeable staff will lead you through our building, providing insights into our diverse community.



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MASTER CLASSES

Our masterclasses aim to support young learners across the city to be the best they can be and get the most successful outcomes to progress on to further study. It's a great time to work in partnership and further our link across our key feeder schools and the city. The masterclasses are aimed at Year 11 learners working at grades 9-7. If, however, you feel you have some learners working at grade 6 but are close to grade 7 we would also encourage them to attend.

Masterclasses in English, Maths and Science will be running for 5 dates from October 2024 to March 2025 4.30pm – 5.30pm. Masterclasses will take place at the end of the school day to enable participation and minimum disruption to school hours. Our classes will take place here at the Sixth Form College, the classes will run for approximately 1 hour.

If your school would be interested in our masterclasses please don't hesitate to get in touch. We will then be able to organise and present a short presentation to interested students to give them further information and enable them to sign up to the classes. You can do this by emailing our friendly Liaison Team at: liaison@stokesfc.ac.uk

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DATES

Tuesday 15th October 2024

Tuesday 12th November 2024

Tuesday 4th February 2025

Tuesday 4th March 2025

Tuesday 25th March 2025

Sessions will run 4.30pm – 5.30pm



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ACADEMIES

We're committed to providing students with opportunities to broaden their knowledge, skills, and horizons. That's why we're excited to introduce our after-school academies designed to offer enriching experiences beyond the regular curriculum. Our academies will continue to run throughout the academic year.

If your school would be interested in our academies please don't hesitate to get in touch. We will then be able to further coordinate with you providing any further information or guidance for students that would like to attend. You can do this by emailing our friendly Liaison Team at: liaison@stokesfc.ac.uk

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POTTERIES MUSIC ACADEMY Y10 & Y11

Date: Weekly, starting in the Autumn term.

Time: Monday evening from 4pm – 6pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Join our weekly music theory workshop focused on the ABRSM specification, helping you achieve your Grade Five Theory certificate and beyond. Students attending the academy will be entered for grade 5+ examinations free of charge. Sessions are held every Monday evening from 4pm – 6pm.

LANGUAGE ACADEMY (FRENCH) Y11

Date: Mondays and Tuesdays September 2024

Time: 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Building upon the solid groundwork laid by the Language Academy, we're taking our language learning journey even further with a specialised focus on French.

CURRICULUM OFFER

At the Sixth Form College we offer a wide range of academic, vocational and technical courses. This means that we are able to offer your students the opportunity to get a feel for a wide range of post-16 courses including A Levels, BTECs and T Levels.

Our curriculum offer follows in order of our five pathways offered. Our pathways reflect careers areas to help give students an idea of courses that could work well together. Our curriculum offer is a great area of the liaison catalogue to share with your subject specialist areas within the school.

Please see the variety of activities we offer, for sessions without set dates please get in touch to request your date and activity and we will be more than happy to help. You can also request any of our curriculum staff contact details via us aswell.

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REVISION SESSIONS GCSE

Revision sessions can be delivered to support the following cohorts:

- Stretch & Challenge 9–8
- Raise attainment for 4–3 borderline students.

These can be delivered in school or at the College. We can host revision sessions at the college if you would like for your students to experience a different learning environment.

CURRICULUM OFFER CURRICULUM NETWORKING

Curriculum staff at the College are keen to build links with their counterparts in schools. Our staff can work with schools in a number of ways including;

- Delivering revision sessions
- Support in delivering course content
- Promotion of continuing subjects at Level 3
- Promotion of studying niche/minority subjects
- Coursework support

For more information please contact liaison@stokesfc.ac.uk

BUSINESS, FINANCE & LAW

The Business, Finance and Law curriculum pathway liaison offer aims to engage students with college-level experiences designed to spark interest in these fields. Through targeted activities such as business revision sessions, finance workshops, and business and economics workshops, students gain practical insights and hands-on experience in these areas.

UNDERSTANDING GCSE BUSINESS EXAMINATIONS Y11

Date: Tuesday 23rd October 2024

Time: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

In this workshop, you'll gain a further understanding of the skills needed building on existing knowledge to succeed in the GCSE Business exams. Our Business Teacher Rachel, an experienced examiner for both Edexcel and AQA GCSE Business, will share valuable tips on what examiners are looking for. You'll also have the opportunity to practice these skills by working through a case study from a previous exam paper.

WHERE CAN STUDYING BUSINESS AND FINANCE TAKE YOU? Y9

Date: Tuesday 25th February 2025

Time: 3pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

This workshop will help you choose your options and provide insight into future career opportunities (and potential earnings!) that come with studying business and finance courses. Experienced staff will use case studies of former students to showcase their progress and provide information, advice, and guidance (IAG) on how your decisions today can shape your future career path.



GETTING READY TO STUDY AT POST-16 Y10

Date: Tuesday 10th December 2024

Time: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

In this workshop, you'll engage in practical exercises to develop the skills needed for success in Level 3 studies. We offer two sessions: one on economics/finance and another on business. We'll explore post-16 options and discuss the differences between various courses. You'll also get to experience sample activities from typical lessons.



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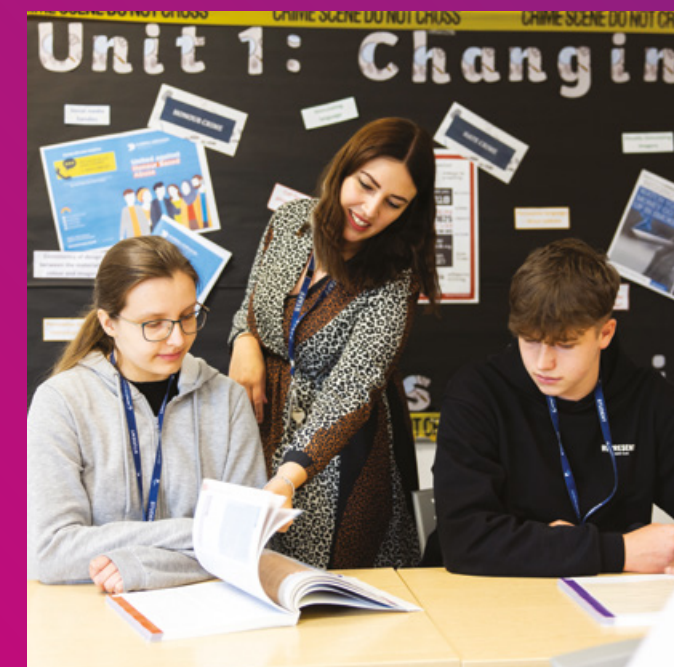
UNDERSTANDING CRIMINALITY: WHY DO SOME PEOPLE COMMIT CRIME? Y10 & Y11

Dates: Tuesday 24th September, Tuesday 12th November, Tuesday 8th April

Time: 3pm – 4pm

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CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS

The Creative and Performing Arts curriculum liaison pathway offer aims to captivate students with college-level experiences tailored to ignite their interest in the creative sector. Specialised activities such as dance workshops, music production sessions, and digital game development classes provide students with practical insights and first-hand experience in these creative domains.

CONTEMPORARY DANCE EXPERIENCE Y10 & Y11

Date: Thursday 5th December 2024

Time: The workshop is for one hour and can be anytime between 9am – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

In this dynamic contemporary dance class, you'll develop your technical and expressive performance skills. We'll guide you through a series of exercises that blend torso use, fall and recovery, spatial pathways, flow, and momentum. This class is suitable if students are studying a performing arts based course at school like BTEC Performing Arts or GCSE Dance or if students are participating in dance outside of school.

NATURALISTIC ACTING EXPERIENCE Y10 & Y11

Date: Wednesday 11th December 2024

Time: The workshop is for one hour and can be anytime between 9am – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Dive into the world of Stanislavski in this workshop as you explore his techniques to create truthful and believable theatre. You'll experiment with texts and be challenged to work at a high level, maintaining a professional focus while devising your performances.

MUSIC PRODUCTION EXPERIENCE Y10 & Y11

Date: Tuesday 19th November 2024

Time: The workshop is for one hour and can be anytime between 9am – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

In this cutting-edge workshop on computer music production, you'll learn about sequencing, arrangement, mixing, and using effects. By the end, you'll produce a piece of music that you can save as an MP3 to take home.

EXHIBITION IN A DAY Y10

Date: Wednesday 10th February 2025

Time: Whole day event. 9am – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Unlock your creativity and experience the thrill of producing an entire exhibition in just one day! Our unique Exhibition in a Day event invites students to work in multidisciplinary teams, collaborating across Art, Textiles, Graphics, Photography, and 3D Design. Guided by our specialist creative teachers and talented students from our creative curriculum, you'll generate ideas, develop concepts, and produce stunning works ready for public display by day's end.

FROM SCRIPT TO SCREEN Y10 & Y11

Date: Tuesday 15th October 2024

Time: 12.30pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Explore the captivating world of Film and TV production with our From Script to Screen event. This is your chance to develop your acting skills, learn a script, and experience the complete filming process to shoot a finished scene.

Join fellow aspiring actors, theatre enthusiasts and budding filmmakers as you work under the guidance of our expert film and theatre teachers and are supported by our students. You'll start by honing your script reading and acting techniques, then transition to set where you'll be part of a live filming crew, capturing your performance on camera.

STUDIO 33: LIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION Y10 & Y11

Date: Wednesday 13th November 2024

Time: Whole day event. 9am – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Step into the world of Media and Broadcasting with our Media, Broadcast and Production event. This is your chance to use our brand new college's state-of-the-art live production studio and create a multi-camera show using industry-standard equipment.

Work alongside our experienced media production teachers and current students to learn the ropes of professional broadcasting. From camera operation and directing to on-screen talent, you'll get hands-on experience in every aspect of live production.

Whether you're interested in being behind the scenes or in front of the camera, this is an opportunity to experience the world of Media Production.



Explore the captivating world of Film and TV production.



GAMEMASTER'S: CREATE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE Y10 & Y11

Date: Wednesday 16th October 2024

Time: Half day event. 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Unlock the secrets of game design and dive into the thrilling world of Digital Game Development at our event. This is your chance to explore 3D environments, create stunning concept art, and animate characters as you work on producing your very own video game.

Join fellow gaming enthusiasts and creative minds as you collaborate under the guidance of our experienced game development teachers and are supported by our games students. You'll learn immersive 3D worlds, develop concept art, and bring your characters to life through animation. Using the cutting edge Unreal Engine 5 software, you'll experience the full production cycle of game development.

EDUCATION, SOCIETY, SPORT & HEALTH

The Education, Society, Sport, and Health curriculum liaison pathway offers a dynamic range of experiences designed to engage students interested in these fields. Activities include sports competitions, coaching sessions, first aid training in health and social care, and exploring the intriguing history of medicine. These opportunities allow students to delve into practical learning and gain valuable insights into these diverse areas.

SPORTS PERFORMANCE ACADEMY AFTERNOON Y11

Date: Wednesday 9th July 2025

Time: Afternoon 1pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Applicants and interested students are invited to join our Sports Performance Academy Afternoon, where you can participate in football, basketball, or netball under the guidance of our highly qualified coaches. This exciting event offers a fantastic opportunity to hone your skills, experience top-notch coaching, and meet your future teammates before the season kicks off. Don't miss out on this chance to immerse yourself in our athletic community and get a head start on building team camaraderie! Sign up now to secure your spot.

GIRLS INVITATIONAL FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT Y9, 10 & 11

Date: October 2024

Register interest by end of September

Time: Evening 4pm – 6pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Following an electrifying launch in 2023, we are thrilled to announce the return of our Girls Invitational Football Tournament this October 2024! Open to Year 9, 10, and 11 students, this event promises high-energy competition, skillful play, and an unforgettable experience. Don't miss the chance to showcase your talent, bond with fellow football enthusiasts, and be part of an exciting day of sportsmanship and fun. Get ready to hit the field and make your mark!



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BASKETBALL & NETBALL COACHING Y10 & 11

Date: Half Term Blocks on a Thursday after school throughout the year

Time: After school

Venue: School

Our Performance Academy coaches will visit your school for a half-term block to deliver sessions to your Y10 and Y11 cohort on Thursday afternoons.

Basketball is open to both male and female students, while Netball is for female students only. Spaces are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

BASKETBALL COMPETITION AT FENTON MANOR Y10 & 11

Date: December 2024

Exact date TBC when School Sports Competition calendar has been released

Time: Evening 4pm – 6pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Following a successful launch in 2023, we are excited to host another basketball competition in December 2024.



HORRIBLE HISTORY OF MEDICINE Y10

Date: Wednesday July 9th 2025

Time: Afternoon 1pm – 3pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

This event is designed to provide Year 10 students with an immersive and historically informative experience about medical practices throughout the ages. This event is characterised by its focus on the unconventional and sometimes disturbing methods that were employed in the past.

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST AID IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE Y10

Date: Wednesday 29th January

Time: Afternoon 2.30pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Join us for a practical session where you'll learn essential life-saving skills such as CPR and other vital techniques.

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HUMANITIES LANGUAGES & LITERATURE

The Humanities, Languages and Literature curriculum liaison pathway offer presents a rich array of opportunities tailored to captivate students in these disciplines. Students can engage in modern foreign language sessions, immersive history workshops, English literature and language challenges, humanities taster sessions, and stimulating geography, geology, and environmental science experiences.

MFL REVISION SESSIONS Y11

Date: Winter/Spring 2025

Time: 4pm – 5pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Exclusive pre-exam revision session tailored to Year 11 students, available for all three main languages based on demand. Emphasis on Grammar and Translation.

MFL REVISION SESSIONS Y9 & Y10

Date: Winter/Spring 2025

Time: 4pm – 5pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Language revision session in French, German, or Spanish. Designed for Year 9/10 students, this customised course focuses on enhancing grammar skills, with a special emphasis on verb tenses.

HISTORICAL REPUTATIONS: FIELD MARSHALL HAIG Y10 & 11

Date: Wednesday 15th January 2025

Time: 3pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Delve into interpretations at A Level as we examine the controversial military leader who led the British forces during WWI. Explore the intriguing question: Was Haig truly the ‘butcher of the Somme’?

HISTORY GCSE SKILLS WORKSHOP Y11

Date: Tuesday 11th February 2025

Time: 4pm – 5pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

A chance to hone source analysis, interpretation, and essay writing abilities.



SHAKESPEARE CHALLENGE Y11

Date: Wednesday 25th September 2024

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Introducing the Shakespeare Challenge, schools are invited to send a team of four Year 11 students to compete for our coveted trophy.

The competition will be held featuring three rounds:

Round 1: Quiz on Shakespeare’s life

Round 2: Analysis of Macbeth or Romeo and Juliet

Round 3: Analysis of an unseen text from Hamlet

After the competition, enjoy a Shakespeare-inspired film or performance, followed by the awards ceremony.

Don’t miss out on the excitement of the Shakespeare Challenge!

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CHALLENGE Y11

Date: Wednesday 11th December 2024

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Introducing the English Language Challenge, our thrilling annual competition where language prowess takes center stage.

Schools are invited to send a team of four Year 11 students to compete for the prestigious trophy. Join us for an afternoon of linguistic excitement.

Get ready for three exhilarating rounds:

Round 1: Quiz on language terms

Round 2: Extract analysis

Round 3: Forensic linguistics task

After the competition, stay tuned for the awards ceremony where the top teams will be celebrated and rewarded for their linguistic excellence.

Don’t miss out on the English Language Challenge – it’s a competition you won’t want to miss!

CLIMATE CHANGE: CAN YOU SAVE THE WORLD? Y10

Date: Thursday 27 February 2025

Time: 9am – 12pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Join us as we delve into the worlds of Geography, Geology, and Environmental Science. Discover how we analyse climate change impacts, investigate earth’s processes driving climate shifts, and ponder solutions to address the challenges it presents.

A LEVEL HUMANITIES TASTER SESSIONS Y10

Date: Wednesday 26th February 2025 and
Wednesday 30th April 2025

Time: 1pm – 4pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Schools are invited to bring in their high-achieving students and choose from two dates to attend a half-day session, students will be offered an introduction to humanities subjects such as Classics, Philosophy, Politics, and History. Students can choose three out of the four subjects to explore during the afternoon.

Here’s what each session includes:

A Level Classical Civilisation: Dive into Greek mythology, exploring gods, goddesses, heroes, and monsters.

A Level Philosophy & Religious Studies: Delve into real-life ethical dilemmas faced by medical professionals, offering insights into ethical reasoning principles.

A Level Politics: Gain an understanding of UK & USA democracy, focusing on rights and potential career paths.

A Level History: Choose between a GCSE skills workshop and a session on Historical Reputations, focusing on Field Marshall Haig’s controversial leadership during WWI.

Don’t miss this chance to explore humanities subjects and expand your knowledge! Don’t miss this chance to explore humanities subjects and expand your knowledge!

STEM

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATHS

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics curriculum liaison pathway offer provides engaging experiences for students interested in these fields. Activities include forensic investigation days, cyber security exploration, challenging math problems, and the exhilarating STEM Olympics. These opportunities help students develop problem-solving skills and prepare for potential careers in one of the fastest-growing and highest-paid sectors.

LEGO ROBOTICS Y9

Date: Wednesday 25th June 2025

Time: 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Build a moving robot out of Lego, and then programme it using sensors and steering to complete a series of challenges.

STEM OLYMPICS Y10

Date: Tuesday 4th March 2025

Time: 9am – 3pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

The STEM Olympics event is a day of dynamic activities and competitions centered around STEM disciplines. Students will participate in various challenges that require problem-solving, teamwork, and creativity. These challenges will span different STEM areas, such as building structures, solving puzzles, conducting experiments, and more. The event aims to foster a competitive yet collaborative spirit among students while enhancing their skills and understanding of STEM subjects.

FORENSIC DAY Y9

Date: Monday 20th January 2025

Time: 9am – 3pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

The Forensics Day offers students the opportunity to immerse themselves in the world of forensic science. Throughout the day, various activities, workshops, and demonstrations related to forensic science will be conducted. Students will engage in hands-on experiences that showcase the techniques used in solving crimes and analysing evidence. The event provides insights into the application of science in criminal investigations and sparks interest in the field.

INTRODUCTION TO CYBER SECURITY Y10

Date: Tuesday June 17th

Time: 9am – 3pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Students will explore the exciting world of Cyber Security using virtualised environments to simulate how to defend against cyber security attacks.



Spark students curiosity and take them on a journey which will push them to develop their problem solving skills.



MATHS MADNESS Y9

Date: Wednesday 25th June 2025

Time: 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Venue: The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College

Join us for an afternoon filled with teamwork and problem-solving! Teams of 5 will compete in various math activities, working together to conquer challenges and strive for the title of Math Champions 2025.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR OFFER

College life offers an exciting blend of learning and personal enrichment, providing opportunities to explore new interests while developing essential attributes and social skills. Our tailored programmes ensure there's something for every student. Below, you will find information about our High Achievers Extracurricular Offer, as well as details on our Duke of Edinburgh Award programme.

HIGH ACHIEVERS OFFER

The Junior High Achievers Programme has been created to help support gifted & talented cohorts across the city. Designed for students in Years 8-11, the programme aims to raise aspirations and develop academic ability through tailored experiences. We currently offer the following events, all of which can be booked to accommodate your curriculum plan:

Y8 and Y9 Presence at Options Evenings

Available on request

Y10 Head Student & Leadership Half Day Training

Date: Wednesday 25th June 2025

Time: 1pm - 4pm

Y10 Junior High Achievers Spring School Programme

Date: Tuesday 25th February 2025, Tuesday 11th March 2025, Tuesday 25th March 2025

Time: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Y11 Junior High Achievers Autumn School Programme

Date: Tuesday 8th October 2024, Wednesday 20th November 2024, Tuesday 3rd December 2024

Time: 3.30pm - 4.30pm



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College now offer the Bronze, Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards. We are keen to work with all year groups to engage, encourage and promote the benefits of being a part of this programme. Our co-ordinators are able to deliver bespoke activities for your school, raising awareness of the programme and enabling students to gain the Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards with us.

For further information, please contact liaison@stokesfc.ac.uk



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Y9 ASPIRE DAY

Date: Friday 17th January 2025

Time: All Day

The Y9 Aspire Day is a dedicated day for Year 9 students to explore their potential, interests, and career aspirations within our five pathway areas offered. The event will feature a range of activities, workshops, and discussions designed to help students identify their strengths, interests, and possible pathways for the future. By offering a diverse range of activities and insights, the event plays a pivotal role in guiding students towards making informed decisions about their education and career paths.

Y10 STEP INTO SIXTH FORM

Date: Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Time: All Day

Step into Sixth Form is a unique one-day event for Year 10 students, giving them the chance to experience what college life could be like if they choose to study with us after Year 11. During this event, students can immerse themselves in our vibrant college atmosphere and explore our exceptional facilities. They will have the opportunity to try out two subjects of their interest, offering a valuable introduction to the college environment and helping them make informed decisions about their future studies.

Y10 & 11 T LEVEL TAKE OVER EVENT

Date: Wednesday 11th December 2024

Time: 12pm - 3pm

Join us for our exciting T Level Take Over on Wednesday the 11th of December, from 12 pm to 3 pm. Experience our T Level Taster Afternoon, where you'll gain insights into T Levels, explore our summersive technology that includes our immersive rooms and very own TV and Film Studio, take a tour of our facilities, and participate in engaging taster sessions across various T Level areas. Don't miss this opportunity to discover your path to excellence.

Y11 GET INFORMED

Date: Tuesday 24th June 2025

Time: All Day

Prepare your students to Get Informed with our special one-day event designed to introduce them to college life. They will experience our vibrant atmosphere, explore our exceptional facilities, and try out three subjects of their choice. Additionally, they will participate in a personal development ASPIRE+ session. Throughout the day, they will discover our dynamic student-led enrichment programme and connect with peers who share their interests. This event provides a comprehensive overview of the opportunities available when studying with us.

TEACHERS & ADVISORS DAY

Date: Wednesday 11th June 2025

Time: 12pm - 4pm

Mark your calendars! This year's Teachers & Advisors Conference is scheduled for Wednesday the 11th of June. We have exciting updates to share with you and can't wait to see everyone there. Get ready for an informative and engaging event.

OPEN EVENTS

The Sixth Form College hosts Open Events during the academic year, providing an ideal opportunity for students to explore our outstanding facilities, connect with our expert staff, and learn about the wide range of courses available at the College.

Our Open Events take place at the College from 5.00pm - 7.00pm and will be held on:

Tuesday 8th October 2024

Wednesday 20th November 2024

Tuesday 25th February 2025

TERMS & CONDITIONS

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Working with your school, The City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College will take all reasonable measures to ensure that students are safe while engaging in activities, including carrying out risk assessments. A risk assessment can be sent upon request. All students will be given a health & safety briefing on arrival.

VISUAL RECORDS

Photographs and videos may be taken during activities. These will be used for marketing and publicity purposes only, including social media and our website. It will be assumed that parental permission has been obtained for photographs/videos to be taken; if this is not the case, please inform us of this prior to the activity.

LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS

Students and staff are asked to bring their own lunch or purchase it at the College.

TRANSPORT AND PARKING

All transport arrangements are the responsibility of the school attending. There will be parking available on site for school minibuses. We will provide a drop off and pick up point for coaches.



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