



Our School

Colchester High School was founded in 1882 by Ferdinand Gröne as a 'most desirable establishment for young ladies', providing a 'sound English education'.

Since then Colchester High School has grown to be the only independent day school and nursery in Colchester to offer an all-through education to boys and girls aged 2½ to 16.

The success of our school is built on two key characteristics: small classes and high-quality teaching. These foundations allow us to offer the kind of education that we think works best – an education where each teacher working with a small class can get to know each pupil as an individual. Where they can identify their strengths and weaknesses, discover what motivates them, and figure out how best to help them progress.

Our commitment to individualised education also extends beyond the curriculum. Here, at Colchester High School we believe in developing the whole child and as such also offer an exceptional and ever-changing array of clubs and extra-curricular activities so that each of our children can identify and explore all of their talents.

Equally, in line with our School Motto "God First, Others Second, Self Last" we pride ourselves on our friendly and caring close-knit environment, which encourages good manners, consideration for other people and a strong sense of social responsibility among our pupils.

Since 2005, Colchester High School has been part of the Cognita Group, the largest independent schools business in the UK and a leader in teaching excellence and school governance.