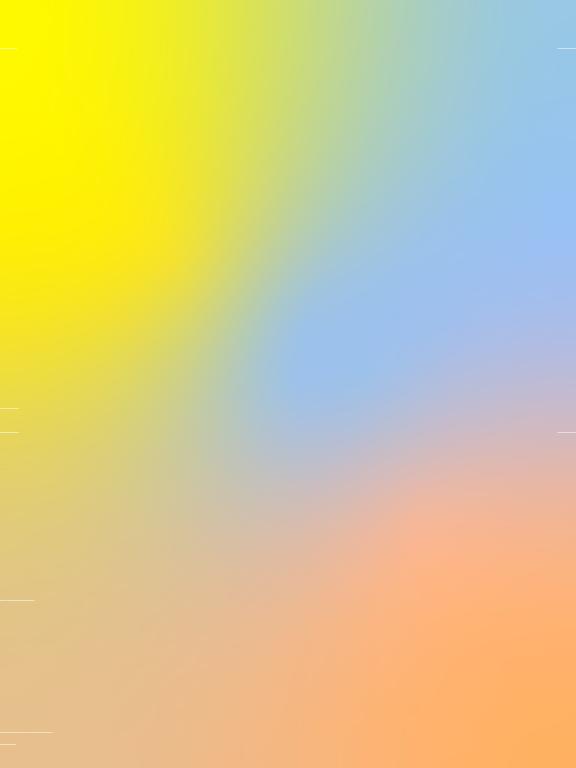
# **PROSPECTUS** 2023/2024









#### **CONTENTS**

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Why BSix?
- 3. Mission Statement
- 4. Study Programme
- 5. Entry Criteria
- 6. Course List
- 7 Study Programme Award

#### **Industry Sectors:**

- 9. Business and Technology
- 11. Creative Industries
- 13. Science and Health
- 15. Humanities and Culture

- 17. T-Levels:
- 18. Business
- 19. Education and Childcare
- 20. Digital Production, Design and Development
- 21. Enrichment
- 22. Knowledge is Power
- 23. Sports and Leisure
- 24. College Facilities
- 26. Support at BSix
- 30. Careers
- 32. Student Life
- 36. How to Apply



#### WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The broad curriculum offered at BSix attracts students from all over London. Whether you have performed highly at school and expect to gain excellent GCSE grades, or whether you have found school difficult and wish to give yourself a fresh start, we can find the right course for you. We have an inclusive and comprehensive ethos and seek to cater for all needs and abilities within a studious, supportive and friendly environment.

Despite the wide range of courses we run, student numbers are not huge. We are able to get to know students and to respond quickly to their concerns and aspirations. Staff and students are respectful of each other and almost everyone finds it easy to adapt to college life, to make friends and to take advantage of the many activities and support systems we provide. The college makes every effort to give help and guidance on all matters, be they related to work, health, finance or something else.

If you would like to study at BSix or are at least curious to explore that possibility, please submit an application and attend an interview. That would give you an opportunity to speak to staff and students, to see our facilities, to hear about the outcomes our students achieve and to get a sense of the atmosphere of the place. You might well enjoy the experience.

I look forward to hearing from you and, hopefully, to meeting you in the future.





#### WHY BSix?



#### **Ofsted**

We are rated as a Good Provider by Ofsted (2021)

#### **Results**

97% pass rates in all A-level subjects for 2021/2022

#### Value Added

Our A-Level ALPS T-Score is **GOOD**, which means our students perform within the top **25**% nationally

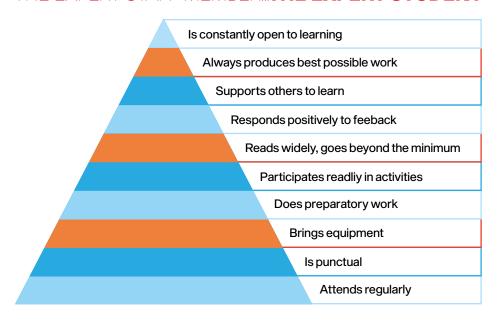


#### MISSION **STATEMENT**

The mission of BSix is to develop in its students, and to demonstrate through its staff, the characteristic of being always "open to learning".

It seeks to achieve this by means of a carefully tailored and suitably challenging individual programme, underpinned by consistently strong teaching, comprehensive support services and a wide range of enrichment opportunities, set within a safe and inclusive learning environment.

#### THE EXPERT STAFF MEMBER...THE EXPERT STUDENT



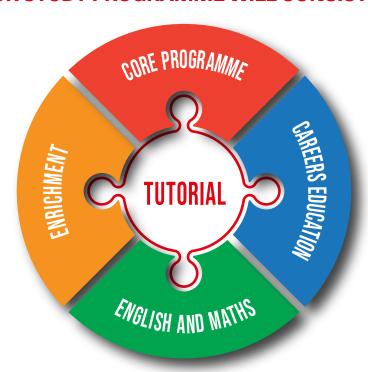
Promotion of an openness to learning is at the heart of the college ethos and is a key factor in students acquiring the qualifications, and developing the skills and personal qualities, essential for their continuing success.

#### STUDY **PROGRAMME**

All students are enrolled onto an individually tailored Study Programme.

The aim of the Study Programme is to equip you with the necessary skills to progress onto a further course of study, a university degree, an apprenticeship and ultimately into employment.

#### YOUR STUDY PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF:



#### ENTRY CRITEREA

Our entry criteria will help you choose the right level and type of qualification for you:

LEVEL	DURATION	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS	PROGRESSION
ESOL and ENTRY LEVEL	1 Year	No formal entry requirements required	Higher-level course having acquired sufficient skills in English and Maths
LEVEL 1	1 Year	Grade 2 profile at GCSE	Level 2 Study
LEVEL 2 VOCATIONAL	1 Year	Four GCSEs at grade 3 including English or Maths	Level 3 Study
GCSE PACKAGE	1 Year	Five GCSEs at grade 3 including English and Maths	Level 3 Study
LEVEL 3 VOCATIONAL*	2 Years	Five GCSEs at grade 4 including English and Maths	University, employment or an apprenticeship
A-LEVELS*	2 Years	Five GCSEs at grade 4 including English and Maths	University, employment or an apprenticeship
T-LEVELS**	2 Years	Five GCSEs at grade 4 including English and Maths	Employment / Training

<sup>\*</sup> Certain A-level and Vocational Level 3 subjects require specific grades at GCSE, which are listed on the college website: **www.bsix.ac.uk/subjects** 

<sup>\*\*</sup> T-Levels to start 2024

#### **A-Levels**

Art & Design

**Business Studies** 

Biology

Chemistry

Criminology

Computer Science

**Economics** 

English Language & Literature

**English Literature** 

Extended Project Qualification

Film Studies

**Further Mathematics** 

History

Law (Applied)

Mathematics

Media Studies

Modern Foreign Languages\*

Photography

**Physics** 

**Politics** 

Psychology

Sociology

\*Taken as an additional entry

#### **T-LEVELS**

THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Digital Production, Design & Development

Education and Childcare

Management and Administration

### Vocational Courses at Levels 1, 2 & 3

Art & Design (UAL)

Business (BTEC)

Childcare (CACHE)

Creative Media (UAL)

Health and Social Care (CACHE)

Information Technology (BTEC)

Music Performance and Production (UAL)

Science (BTEC)

Sport (BTEC)

#### Foundation Learning

FSOL

KS4 Transition Programmes\*\*

Project Search - Supported Internship

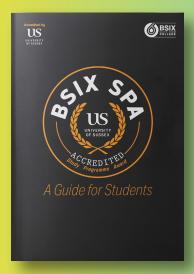
\*\*Schools should contact Kishan Pithia, Vice Principal, at kpithia@bsix.ac.uk

#### STUDY PROGRAMME AWARD

BSix celebrates students that demonstrate an active engagement of all extracurricular activities that involve enrichment, careers education and elite sport.

BSix has a special partnership with the University of Sussex who fully accredit students with the









# "STUDENTS VALUE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE DIVERSITY"

Ofsted 2021

#### **BUSINESS** and **TECHNOLOGY**

**RELATED COURSES:** 

#### **A-Levels:**

Business
Computer Science
Economics
Further Maths
Politics
Law
Maths

#### **Vocational:**

**Business** 

П

#### **Careers:**

A-Level combination ideas and Level 3 course suggestions to inspire your future career:







# **ALUMNI**BUSINESS and TECHNOLOGY

#### **David Bazan Ticse**

Previous School / College: Skinners Academy

BSix Programme of Study: A-levels in Business, Economics and Mathematics

Achieved

Next Steps. Gap Year

**RESULTS DAY** 2020/2021





#### **Dilan Osama**

Previous School / College: Hatch End High School BSix Programme of Study: BTEC Extended Diploma in

Achieved: D\* D\* D\*

Next Steps: City, University of London -International Political Economy



**RESULTS DAY 2021/2022** 



#### **Leonardo Dias Moreira**

Previous School / College: Forest Pathway College

BSix Programme of Study: BTEC Extended Diploma -

Achieved:

Next Steps: University of Westminster -Software Engineering





#### Benjamin Boakye-Jones

Previous School / College:
Bishop Stopford's School
BSix Programme of Study:
BTEC Extended Diploma in
I.T

Achieved: D\* D D

Next Steps: University of Westminster -Software Engineering





#### **CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**

**RELATED COURSES:** 

#### **A-Levels:**

Art and Design
English Language
and Literature
Media Studies
Maths
Music Production
Photography

#### **Vocational:**

Business IT

#### **Careers:**

A-Level combination ideas and Level 3 course suggestions to inspire your future career:







# **ALUMNI**CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



Previous School / College: Walthamstow School for Girls

BSIX Programme of Study:
A-Level:
Photography, English Literature,
Film Studies

Achieved: A\* A B

Next Steps: SOAS - History of Art & Korean Language









#### **Paula Ferreira**

Previous School / College: Overseas

BSix Programme of Study: UAL Extended Diploma Creative Media Production

Achieved: Distinction

Next Steps: LMA - Digital Film





#### **Joy Akintan**

Previous School / College:
Overseas

BSix Programme of Study: UAL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design

Achieved: Distinction

Next Steps: Accepted at University of the Arts London to Study Interior and Spatial Design

**RESULTS DAY** 2020/2021





#### **SCIENCE** and **HEALTH**

**RELATED COURSES:** 

#### **A-Levels:**

Biology Chemistry Physics Psychology

#### **Vocational:**

Applied Science Health and Social Care Sports

#### **Careers:**

A-Level combination ideas and Level 3 course suggestions to inspire your future career:





# **ALUMNI**SCIENCE and HEALTH



Previous School / College: Eton

BSix Programme of Study: A-Level: Maths, Biology, Chemistry

Achieved: BBB

Next Steps: Keele University - Medicine





#### **Rastin Jamali**

BSix Programme of Study: A-Level: Physics, Maths, Chemistry Achieved: A A B

Next Steps: Queen Mary University of London -Physics MCI





#### Tashi Needham

Previous School / College: Overseas

BSix Programme of Study:
A-Level:
Biology, Chemistry, Psychology
Achieved:
B B B





#### Isabella Gnanasekaran

Previous School / College:
The Palmer Catholic Academy
BSix Programme of Study:
BTEC National Extended Diploma Applied Science

Achieved: D\* D\* D\*

Next Steps: University of Leicester -Biological Science





#### **HUMANITIES** and **CULTURE**

RFLATED COURSES:

#### **A-Levels:**

English Language and Literature English Literature Film Studies History Criminology Politics Psychology Sociology

#### **Vocational:**

Childcare and Education Business

#### **Careers:**

A-Level combination ideas and Level 3 course suggestions to inspire your future career:







# **ALUMNI**HUMANITIES and CULTURE

#### **Thien Phu Nguyen**

Previous School / College: The City Academy

BSix Programme of Study:
BTEC National Extended Diploma Business

Achieved: D\* D\* D

Next Steps: London Metropolitan University -Business Management





#### **Louna Raquelle Younsi**

Previous School / College:
Walthamstow School for Girls

BSix Programme of Study: A-Level: Photography, English Literature, Film Studies

Achieved: A\* A B

Next Steps: SOAS - History of Art & Korean Language





#### Abdirahman Ahmed

Previous School / College: Mulberry UTC BSix Programme of Study: A-Level: Sociology, Economics, Psychology Achieved: ABB

Next Steps: City University -International Political Economics



**RESULTS DAY** 2021/2022



#### Eryka Kukla

Previous School / College: Newman Catholic College

BSix Programme of Study: A-Level: Psychology, History, Politics Achieved: B B B

Next Steps: Newcastle University -Business and Law







#### (TO START SEPTEMBER 2024)

T-Levels are new two-year, technical study programmes that will initially be available across 24 pathways in 11 industry routes. They are delivered in a classroom based environment with 20% of the time spent on an industry placement working in employer settings.

#### A New Choice

T-Levels are ideal if you have finished your GCSEs and want the knowledge and experience to get straight into employment, an apprenticeship or higher education. You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on a 45-day placement with an employer to give you the skills and knowledge companies look for.

#### Why choose a T-Level?

#### **Created with Business**

T-Levels have been designed with leading businesses and employers to give you the knowledge and skills you need.

More than 200 businesses have been involved so you can be confident your T-Level will move you to the next level. You will gain professional development and specific sector skills in a real work environment.

#### **Get Ahead in Your Career**

T-Levels give you the chance to learn what a real career is like while you continue your studies.

Your industry placement will last for at least 45 days – when and how you complete it depends on the T-Level, college and employer.

#### **Qualifications That Count**

When you pass your T-Level, you will get a nationally recognised certificate showing the overall grade you achieved - pass, merit, distinction or distinction\*. It will also give details of what you learned on the course to help you move into skilled employment or a higher apprenticeship.

#### **Awarded UCAS points**

Your T-Level will be worth UCAS points – a T-Level Distinction\* is worth the same as 3 A levels at A\* – and will be recognised by universities and other education providers so you can choose to continue studying if you wish.

#### **Learn Your Way**

T-Levels involve more classroom study than apprenticeships, which means you can experience an industry while you continue your studies.

Like A levels, there are no tuition fees to study a T-Level if you start before you are 19.



#### **BUSINESS:** Management and Administration

This is a 2 year course equivalent to 3 A Levels and includes 9 weeks minimum working with an employer on an industry placement. On this course you will develop the core knowledge and skills that are needed for entry into a range of management and administration occupations including office manager, supervisor, medical secretary, civil service, personal assistant and barrister's clerk.

#### **KEY TOPICS**

 business context – an overview of organisational cultures and values, different types of internal and external stakeholders, different forms of governance and the impact of organisations on society and the environment

 project and change management – an understanding of the common change management theories and models and how to support and improve projects

 business behaviours – the importance of good communication and adapting social communication styles to professional standards and according to purpose, medium and audience

 quality and compliance – the importance of maintaining and improving quality in all aspects of public and private sector organisations

#### **OPTIONS TO SPECIALISE**

In addition to the core content, you will also complete at least one module of occupation specific content.

The specialisms available in the T Level in Management and Administration are:

- Business support
- · Business improvement
- · Team leadership and management



#### **EDUCATION** and **CHILDCARE**

This is a 2 year course equivalent to 3 A Levels and includes 9 weeks minimum working with an employer on an industry placement. This course prepares learners to work with children between birth and young people aged between birth and 19 years old and is suitable for anyone wanting a career in early years, primary, teaching and other related careers.

We offer one pathway: Early Years and Assisting Teaching. The Early Years pathway will give you a license to practice, enabling you to enter the workplace as a qualified Early Years Educator or manage an Early Years Setting. Successful completion of this course will also allow you to progress to university.

#### **KEY TOPICS**

- understanding the education and childcare sector from ages 0 to 19
- · child development
- · safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing
- · understanding and managing behaviour
- · observing and assessing children and young people
- equality and diversity
- · special educational needs and disability

#### **YOU WILL**

- learn how to support children and young people's education
- · work with parents, carers and wider families
- work with agencies and services that support children, families and carers
- participate in reflective practice and other forms of professional development



# **DIGITAL PRODUCTION, DESIGN** and **DEVELOPMENT**

This is a 2 year course equivalent to 3 A Levels and includes 9 weeks minimum working with an employer on an industry placement. During the 2-year programme, you will learn the core knowledge and skills that are needed for entry to a range of digital occupations.

#### **KEY TOPICS**

You will develop an understanding of:

- · how digital technologies impact business
- · the ethical and moral implications of digital technology
- · using data in software design
- · using digital technologies to analyse and solve problems
- · digital environments, including physical, virtual and cloud environments
- emerging technical trends, such as Internet of Things (IoT), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Augmented Reality (AR), Blockchain, 3D printing
- · legal and regulatory obligations relating to digital technologies
- · the privacy and confidentiality of personal data
- · the technical, physical and human aspects of internet security
- · planning digital projects
- · testing software, hardware and data
- · digital tools for project management and collaboration

#### **OPTIONS TO SPECIALISE**

In addition to the core content, each student will also develop skills in digital production, design and development. The content will include:

- analysing a problem to define requirements and acceptance criteria aligned to user needs
- · designing, implementing, and testing software
- · changing, maintaining and supporting software
- · creating solutions in a social and collaborative environment
- · discovering, evaluating, and applying reliable sources of knowledge
- applying ethical principles and managing risks in line with legal and regulatory requirements when developing software



#### **ENRICHMENT**

#### Be inspired, have some fun and most importantly B-Connected

We believe that every student should have the opportunity to pursue their talent in order to develop their personal character.

Enrichment is a key part of your study programme, which will provide you with the skills and techniques to increase your confidence and wellbeing whilst at the college.

















#### AWARD WINING KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

The **Knowledge is Power** programme is a parallel curriculum of events, workshops and short courses to discuss some of the major issues facing society and young people today. It is a place for students to share experiences of the world, to make greater sense of those experiences, and to build on them from visiting speakers.

The **Knowledge is Power** programme has been commended for its excellence, innovation and best practice by the **Association of Colleges** and is a finalist through its **Beacon Awards**.









# "STUDENTS RECOGNISE THAT STAFF GO OUT OF THEIR WAY TO HELP THEM BE SUCCESSFUL"

Ofsted 2021

### **COLLEGE FACILITIES**

Eat, Drink, Learn and Stay Healthy



The **Learning Resource Centre (LRC)** is at the heart of learning for students, helping students to fulfil their potential and access the knowledge and resources they need. Staff are always available to help with referencing, Athens databases and finding appropriate resources should you need it, or you can book a 1:1 session with an LRC assistant to focus in depth on any of these areas. Wi-Fi is available throughout the LRC, along with a range of computers and study areas.

To maintain a clean and pleasant study environment for all users, food and drink are not permitted in the LRC, with the exception of bottled water.

The **LRC** is a quite area for individual and small group study work. Please respect the environment and the learning of other students



#### Places to Eat, Chill and Socialise

You will find refectories in the main **Cafeteria** and the **Herring Suite**. Both outlets provide a fantastic variety of food and drink at value for money. Should you have any dietary requirements, please speak to a member of the catering team who will be happy to help. Vending machines are also available throughout our campus, offering a range of drinks, snacks and confectionery.



#### Keep Fit & Healthy

The College strongly encourages all students to keep physically and mentally healthy. You will have full access to the college gym and can participate in a variety of non-competitive sports that take place daily in our multi use games area. Timetables of sports games will be published during the enrichment and freshers' fair. You can speak to our friendly sports coordinators for further information on gym induction, female only sessions and different competitive and non-competitive sports by emailing **Steven Marshall: smarshall@bsix.ac.uk** 

#### SUPPORT at **BSix**

#### **Finance**

You can apply for financial support to help with the costs of college. Priority is given to young people in care, care leavers, young people on income support and disabled young people receiving employment support allowance or disability allowance. Free meals are provided to students that meet eligibility criteria and provide evidence of household income.

#### **Tutoring**

Every student is allocated a personal tutor who will meet with you weekly to provide guidance and support. Your tutor will monitor all aspects of your study programme and will help you to set targets to ensure you are successful. Your tutor will provide your reference and help you to apply for university, further training and jobs.

#### **Learning Support**

Our inclusive learning support has had a major impact on students' achievements. We are committed to providing an accessible learning environment which enables all students to be included in college life. We welcome students with learning difficulties and disabilities.

#### Safegurading and Welfare

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our students.

All students should be kept safe from harm, including any form of abuse, sexual exploitation or radicalisation. We protect our students from extremists who advocate violence, religious hatred, or racist, sexist or homophobic views. Our safeguarding officers also help with personal issues such as homelessness or health. If there is something an adviser cannot help you with, they will refer you to an external agency to get the practical support you need.

#### LGBTQ+ Support

We work hard to make sure that LGBTQ+ people feel safe, welcomed and supported by providing a safe space for students to study and work.

We promote LGBTQ+ awareness through a wide range of events and student activities.

#### WELLBEING SUPPORT at **BSix**

BSix has ground-breaking programmes to support your wellbeing:

#### Querencia

An innovative enrichment programme exclusive to BSix taking a proactive approach to wellbeing and mental health. This unique programme examines student self-worth and empowers them to become the very best version of themselves.

#### Counselling

We have a **CAMHS** clinician and a college counsellor for students who need support or have feelings that they either find hard to cope with or just want to understand better.

#### **BSix Running Club**

We know that physical fitness is integral in keeping a healthy mindset. Have some fun and understand better how your mind and body communicate with one another.

#### **No Wrong Door**

We believe that early intervention is key to successful learning. **No Wrong Door** is our referral system for tips and mechanisms to keep a healthy mindset to overcome stress and anxiety.

#### **Wellbeing Ambassadors**

Our students are champions of mental health and wellbeing and, as such, they work with you to develop your confidence and to help you settle into the college.



#### **B-MINDFUL at BSix**

The college has a rich online resource page for you to access both internal and external support.

Please visit www.bsix.ac.uk/wellbeing/ for more information.





Ofsted 2021

#### **CAREERS**

#### Careers education is your entitlement

At BSix, you will have the opportunity to undertake a broad range of programmes that will help you make decisions on your next steps:



#### **START Platform**

All students are expected to develop and produce work that is essential for your employability needs. You will learn how to produce a high quality CV, cover letter and how to prepare for job interviews using a range of techniques. The **START Platform** is your online portfolio which will also give you real-time access to the latest jobs, work placement opportunities and apprenticeship vacancies.

#### **Careers Bulletin**

Every week, you will receive a careers bulletin to your college email account. This bulletin will contain information on current job vacancies, scholarships, school leaver programmes and apprenticeships.



#### **TURING**

#### **SCHEME**

#### **Turing Scheme**

BSix has secured funding to place students abroad for work placement.

You will have the opportunity to undertake your work placement in Barcelona, Prague, Crete,

#### Lisbon or Vancouver.

These placements are in the industry sectors of: Creative, Business, Information Technology, Health Care & Childcare.



#### Achievers Programme (AIM)

If you have aspirations of studying at a **Russell Group University**, to study Medicine or Dentistry and/or applying for **Oxbridge**, then you may be placed onto the BSix AIM Programme where you will receive weekly seminars and workshops on application support, personal statement writing and interview techniques, all delivered by the **University of Oxford** and the **Queen Mary's University**. This is a unique programme by invitation, and you will be selected based on your in-year academic performance and attendance.







#### **STUDENT LIFE**

There can be so much more to student life than studying and BSix will invest in your student experience



Through our Enrichment Programme, students have access to sports, clubs and extra courses.

Taking part in enrichment activities will make your time at college more enjoyable, increase your circle of friends and equip you with skills and experiences.

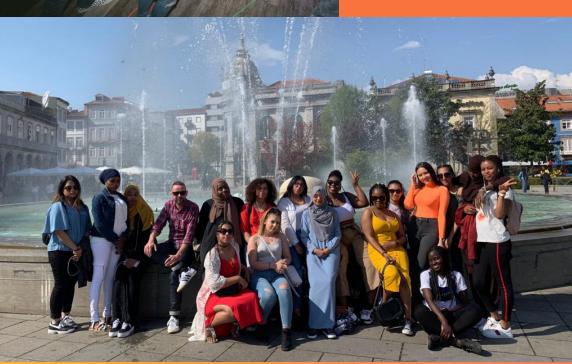




There are plenty of food and drink options at the College, including our canteen and our Herring Suite, all offering a range of delicious hot and cold meals, drinks and snacks.



Each year we host themed events to help enhance your social, career and learning experience in college. These include Freshers' Fair, Higher Education Fair, Safer Learner Week, World Culture Day, Black History Month and more.



# "LEADERS AND STAFF CREATE A SAFE AND POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT IN LESSONS AND AROUND THE COLLEGE" Of Steed 2021



#### **HOW TO APPLY**

GET STARTED WITH YOUR APPLICATION

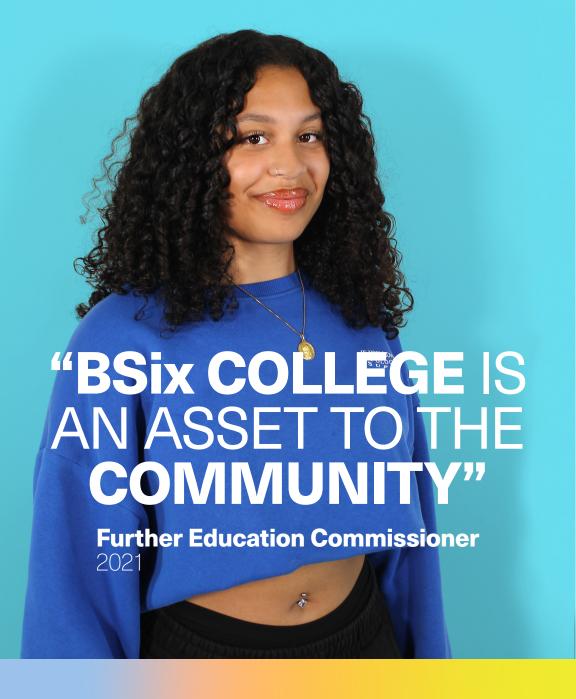




#### FOLLOW US ON **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Keep up to date and join in with all the current events, happenings and student work at BSix across all of our social media platforms:







BSix Sixth Form College Kenninghall Road London E5 8BP