School's new centre at highest point

Building work on a £6m sixth-form centre and music building at Gresham's School, Holt, has reached its highest point.

A topping out ceremony on the roof, hosted by principal contractor Kier, was held to mark the milestone.

Work on the project began in April and the emerging Britten Building, hailed as the most significant addition to the school campus in 20 years, is in the heart of the school, featuring a double-height auditorium seating 140 people, music classrooms, offices and a cafeteria.

The building's steel frame will be clad in brick and timber to blend with the rest of the campus.

Gresham's headmaster Douglas Robb said the school had a strong musical heritage and the new facility would ensure that music continued to be at the heart of school life. The centre is due to open early next year.