

feel the difference

It's different being in the sixth form, for example:

- *You can really choose what you want to study – to a much greater extent.*
- *You have your own base where you can work and relax.*
- *You have time on your timetable when you're not in lessons.*
- *You're given more responsibility and act as a role model for other students in the School.*

Joining the sixth form here could be one of the most exciting phases of your life and one of the best decisions you ever make – ask our sixth formers.

Most of the students in the sixth form were previously Chase Terrace students in Year 11 but some come from other local schools. We believe that this really adds to the sixth form and incoming students generally settle in very quickly.

Having a sixth form gives a school something extra and we are really proud of our sixth formers. They take up high profile positions in the School Council, in interviewing prospective staff, in conducting tours of the School and in our liaison with local primary schools.

The Sixth Form Association provides a great social dimension to sixth form life and sixth formers also routinely take the lead on whole-school charity events and school musical and dramatic performances.

curriculum opportunities

At Chase Terrace, we have a highly qualified team of specialist teachers, providing a broad range of courses for our students to study. There is an extensive AS and A Level offer, together with a growing number of BTEC courses. As a function of our size, we are able to offer most courses on our own site but we also link our offer with other schools in the Lichfield District to maximise the choice available for our students.

For advanced level study, students typically follow a programme of four main AS courses (or equivalent) in Year 12 and then take three of these on into Year 13. This is supplemented by an AS level General Studies qualification. Some students will start with a slightly broader or narrower programme of courses and this is arrived at through careful negotiation.

There are also opportunities to retake GCSE English and/or Maths, where this is necessary. There is also a wide range of enrichment opportunities, including sporting clubs and fixtures, and some time for independent study.

Students at Chase Terrace are all asked to make a contribution to the wider life of the School and/or the local community and this is played out in different ways. For example, some students provide in-class support in a particular department. Others help to run after-school classes or assist with sports teams.

Where possible, we help the students involved to gain an accredited qualification for their efforts. They certainly develop their leadership skills and levels of confidence through this involvement, which typically takes up around an hour a week of their time.

'Sixth formers participate extensively in a wide range of activities' (Ofsted)

driving achievement

As a High Performing Specialist School (HPSS), Chase Terrace has an established strong and improving achievement profile.

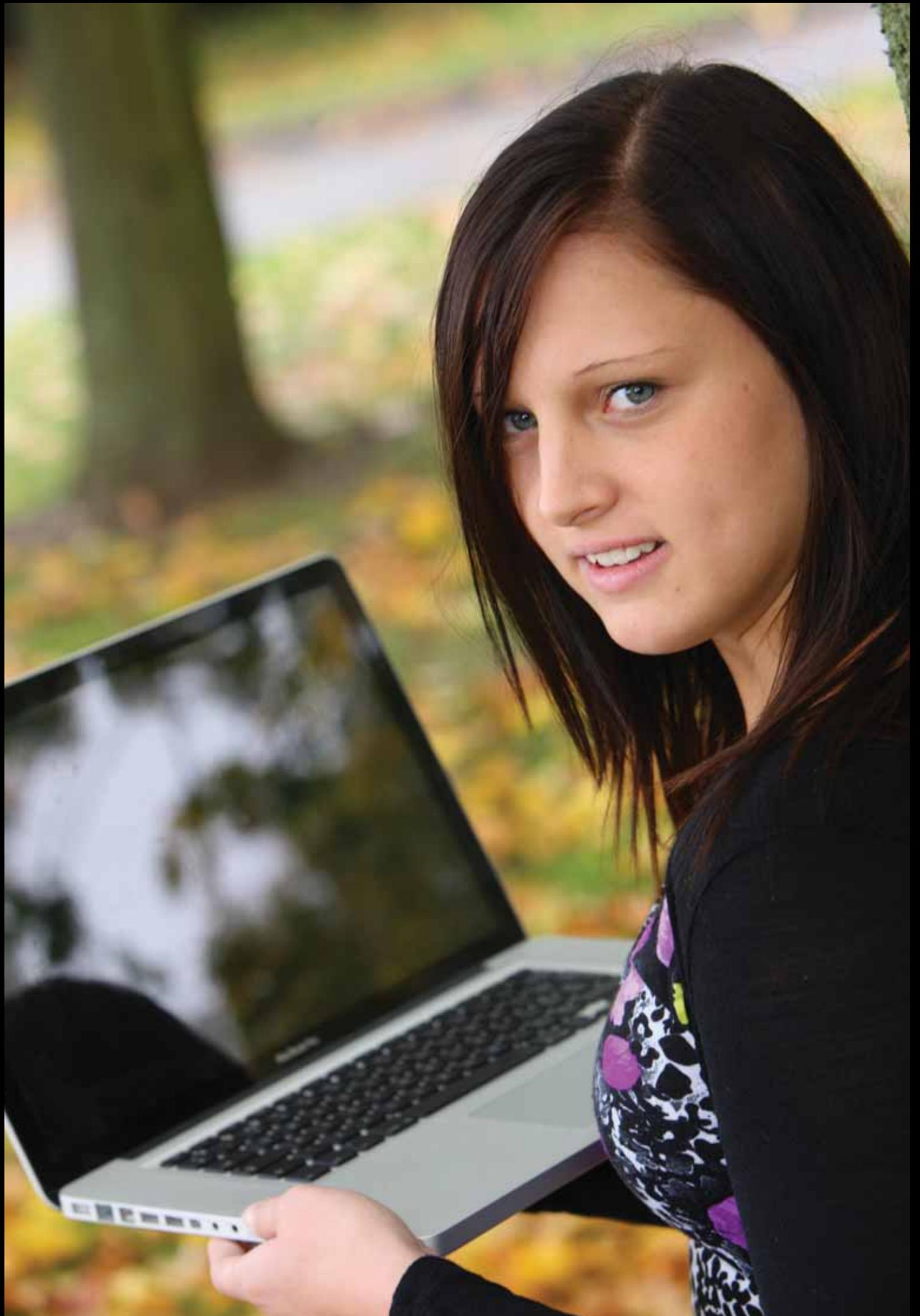
In the sixth form, results are amongst the best in the County. This level of success is achieved through high expectations, high quality teaching and close tracking of progress, together with intervention strategies to tackle any potential underachievement. Through HPSS status, we have been able to take on two specialisms through the Government's specialist school programme.

Our specialist status in Technology provides extra resources in the areas of Design and Technology, Maths and Science and for innovative uses of technology in other subject areas.

Our second specialism in Arts targets specific resources at the areas of Music, Art, Drama and Media Studies. The combination of the two specialisms provides us with the opportunity to enrich the whole curriculum.

Sixth form students with Special Educational Needs have a track record of success here as our approach is built around the individual needs of all of our students.



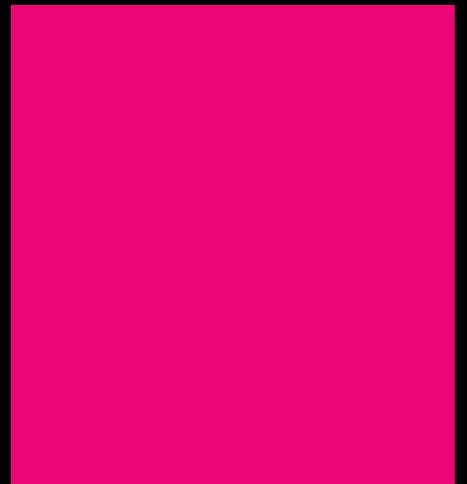
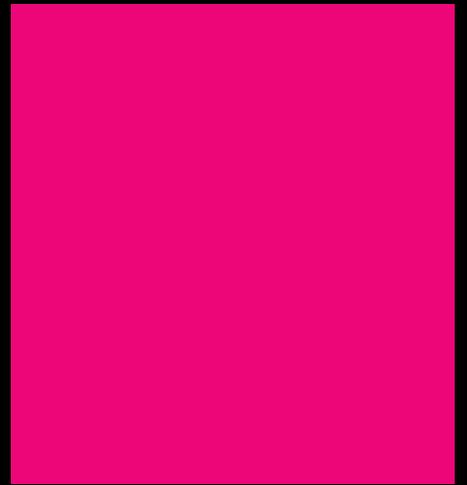
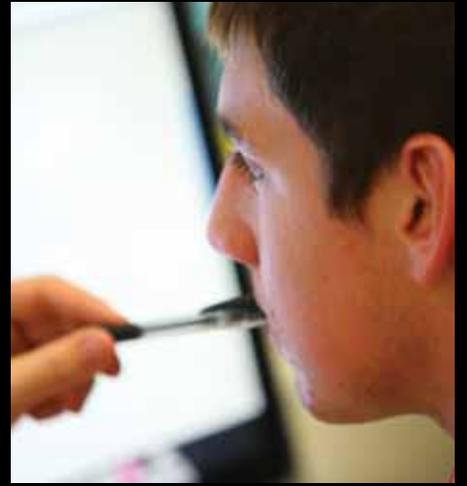
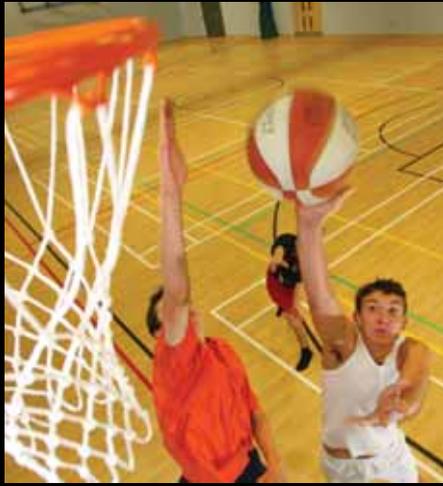


accommodation and resources

The School has some of the best accommodation and resources in Staffordshire, including:

- *outstanding ICT facilities throughout the School*
- *state-of-the-art Computer-Aided Design and Manufacture (CAD/CAM) equipment in the Design and Technology area*
- *a fully equipped Music Technology area*
- *Media Studies rooms, equipped with iMac computers*
- *a central Learning Resource Centre area*
- *a brand new sports hall and fitness suite, together with a swimming pool and extensive playing fields*
- *a Drama studio*
- *Art studios*
- *a suite of Science labs*





moving on

At each stage in a student's education, we aim to provide the best information and advice we can to allow young people to understand the choices available to them and help them to realise their potential. Our level of commitment to this aim is demonstrated by our successful assessment against the Information and Guidance Quality Mark criteria.

Great care is taken to ensure that students understand what they are taking on when they apply for a programme of study and we work closely with Connexions staff based here to ensure that students are aware of the career-related implications of the decisions that are made.

Over the period of time that students are with us in the sixth form, there is regular advice and support with university applications, career planning and, more broadly, preparation for the next steps that they will make. There is a very high level of success here in the number of students gaining places at their first choice universities.

'There is an inclusive culture of co-operation and respect between students and their teachers' (Ofsted)

