



Chetwynde School

Respect. Responsibility. Resilience

Welcome to

Chetwynde School

An established all-through school from 3 to 16



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Our School

Chetwynde is a thriving school in a leafy setting for boys and girls from the ages of 3 to 16. It provides an education that is supportive, challenging and inspiring, offering a balance between traditional values and a dynamic, forward-thinking approach that gives pupils the foundations they need for an exciting future.

Why Choose Chetwynde?

If you are looking for a unique educational experience at a historic school that combines the best of the old and the exciting prospects of the new, look no further.

Our academic results speak for themselves. Pupils and staff live by our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

Vision

We believe a happy child is a successful one. We are committed to providing an outstanding positive, safe and stimulating family environment where all are valued. Our goal is to equip our pupils with the skills, aspirations and mindset to achieve their potential and be ready to take on the world.

Mission


Our mission is to develop young people with respect, who are both responsible and resilient. We will do this through the provision of a holistic and outstanding educational experience that allows our pupils to thrive.

Our Ethos & Aims

We intend the school to be a happy and enjoyable place, which will provide the opportunity for every child to fulfil their potential in an attractive, well-resourced and stimulating environment.

We aim:

- To build and sustain a friendly, tolerant and supportive community in which all its members are valued equally.
- To teach pupils to enjoy their education, to see it as a lifelong experience and to support them in making important career decisions.
- To pursue high personal, academic and social standards.
- To develop in our pupils' personal qualities such as curiosity, concern, industry, reliability, honesty, creativity, enterprise, appreciation, confidence and respect.
- To develop an active and open relationship with parents.
- To encourage pupils to take full advantage of the opportunities on offer to them.
- To show a sense of responsibility towards the local and wider community, and to prepare pupils for the challenges and opportunities of adult life.
- To adhere to the school core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.



In their latest report, Ofsted inspectors highlighted that pupils are well supported to achieve the high expectations staff have of them, that staff have secure subject knowledge and know pupils well.

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Steve Jefferson joined Chetwynde back in 2013. He has been part of the leadership team in the school throughout the transition to Free School, stepping up to Headteacher in 2019 and completing his National Professional Qualification of Headship in 2021. A Barrovian, he is passionate about education and developing the life chances of pupils in local area.



Every child has talents, every child is special and deserves the best. From the time they join our school through to graduation from Year 11, children benefit from fantastic facilities, small class sizes in core subjects and outstanding teachers and staff.

Our students are given opportunities to expand their skills and knowledge beyond the classroom and grow in confidence through sports, art and creative experiences. At the same time, we offer a nurturing environment that keeps them safe and listened to and inspires them to achieve their fullest potential.

Our inclusive approach enables our students, whatever their age, to share a wealth of different experiences and to develop a genuine respect for individuality. We all have something to give, something that deserves to grow and be celebrated and it is in a small, family school that those talents are nurtured best.

Steve Jefferson
Head Teacher



Message from our Chair of Governors

Chair of Governors John Burgess says as part of the South Cumbria Multi-Academy Trust the school is thriving once more.



The smiles and happiness of the children of all year groups, including kindergarten children, expressed when interacting with 'Mr Jefferson' is quite special to see. This is a great example of the general feel and ethos of the school, with a strong positive behavioural attitude instilled right throughout all the students.

Steve's selfless approach and steadfast determination to take the school to new heights is an inspiration to staff, students, parents and governors. He leads from the front with passion, commitment and courage.





“ Pupils of all ages are eager to learn beyond the curriculum through the clubs and sporting opportunities that are on offer. This helps pupils to develop their confidence and to strengthen their talents.”

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Among our recent sporting and arts achievements

- Chetwynde School is a finalist in the School of the Year Category in the Cumbria-wide Education Awards, which recognises the very best in education across the county.
- Five talented swimmers from Chetwynde School won the President's Cup in the nationals in Sheffield. It is the only school to have qualified for all 28 competitions over the years.
- Pupils put on productions of smash hit musicals Beauty and the Beast and Oliver to sell-out crowds. Year 6 pupils took lead roles in the popular shows which involved primary pupils from across Year 3, 4 and 5.
- The school is linking up with Jamie Oliver's Ministry of Food initiative. The project will enable students to learn how to cook guided by the chef through personalised videos, recipe sheets and lesson plans.
- Fifteen talented maths pupils from Year 7 and 8 secured silver and bronze medals in in the UK Junior Maths Challenge, which recognizes the brightest young mathematical minds across the country.
- Music students worked with the Manchester Video Game Orchestra to create a brand new piece of gaming music. The piece, which they penned and composed from scratch, was performed live in front of a crowd as part of a regional event.
- Sport continues to be strong at Chetwynde with success in all local tournaments.



“ Pupils show a commitment to look after each other. They have good relationships with each other and staff. ”

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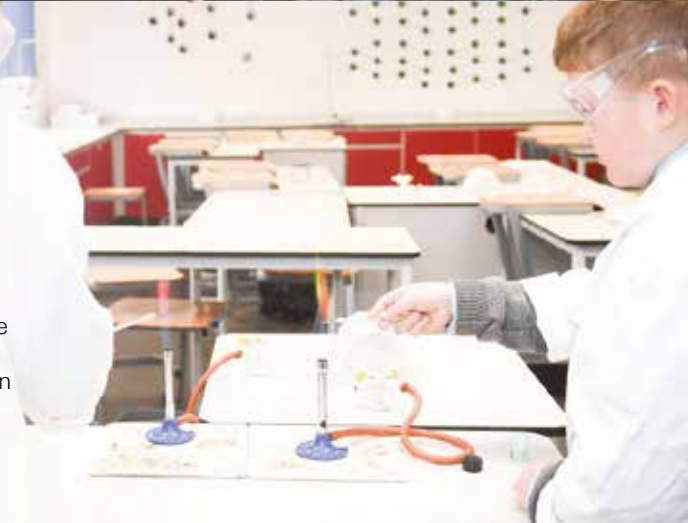
Kindergarten to Primary

Our learning journey begins in Stage 1 (Kindergarten – Year 3). Where a focus on structured phonics (Little Wandle), writing and mathematics (White Rose) provide a firm foundation for access to the broader curriculum. Learning to read, as a skill and for pleasure, is an absolute priority for our children during this stage and the next.



Primary to Secondary

In the middle phase, Stage 2 (Year 4 – Year 7), the learning journey continues to build and strengthen skills in English and Mathematics whilst securing fundamental knowledge across the full range of curriculum subjects. Students benefit from a smooth step from Year 6 into Year 7, eliminating the traditional transition gap. During this stage, students are guided to see the interconnectedness of the curriculum and so develop deeper schemas of knowledge. They are explicitly taught metacognition skills to equip them with effective study habits.



Secondary to Sixth Form

In the final phase, Stage 3 (Years 8-11), the curriculum is broad for as long as possible, with GCSE options being chosen towards the end of Year 9. Our GCSE offer is designed to give students the greatest chance of future success whilst supporting the needs of local employers. A strong core in the EBacc - offers English, Mathematics, Science, French and History or Geography. PSHE supports student personal development, covering a wide range of issues. All students also study RE and choose four options from high-value subjects such as Computing, Art, Design, Performing Arts and PE.



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The teachers are really supportive, always finding new challenges for me and giving me the confidence to succeed.

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Nathan Lee Cheong

Chetwynde School maths student Nathan Lee Cheong's performance in the UK Maths Trust Olympiad placed him among the brightest 25 per cent of sixth form students nationally, despite still being in Year 11.

He is a Golden Apple Education Awards Finalist for 2024

OUR STRATEGY

South Cumbria Multi-Academy Trust recognises that each school has its own educational character and ethos and we are passionate about retaining and nurturing this. Our schools have their own identities but all share a common approach to encourage pupils to reflect and embrace challenges, learn from mistakes and develop the resilience essential in our rapidly changing world.

VISION

Inspiring young people and changing lives through excellence in education in South Cumbria

OUR VALUES



Excellence
in everything we do



Respect
for individuals, enabling equality, diversity and inclusivity



Innovation
in how we work, develop and continuously improve



Celebration
of the success and achievement of our pupils and staff



Ambition
for the Trust and its pupils to be the best they can



Support
for pupils and staff by providing care and promoting well-being and resilience in a safe and protective environment



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