



This Is Me! is a two-year, post-16 programme unique to the Chatsworth Schools family designed to ensure all our students are prepared, equipped, and enthusiastic for the future – confident, multi-talented, dynamic citizens who fundamentally know and can joyfully say...







The This Is Me! (ThIM!) programme is deliberately wide as well as deep. It is inclusive and accessible to all.

It is fun.
It is challenging.
And it is determinedly mind and soul widening.

All students entering a post-16 provision at a Chatsworth School or Blenheim School will enter this programme alongside their academic or vocational studies. Once completed, they will leave with a ThIM! passport aimed to set them apart when applying for any further education studies or the world of work.

Overview

Moving up to Year 12, our students have a change of gear. In this year they spend 4 days on academic study and one on enrichment studies.

They will have chosen which subjects they will study to a recognised qualification and the academic days will be spent advancing those.

The enrichment days will be split across the three terms in each year....





Personal best (restore a car/run a marathon/write a book) something which is of personal interest, requires dedication to achieve and adds something to the character of the individual.

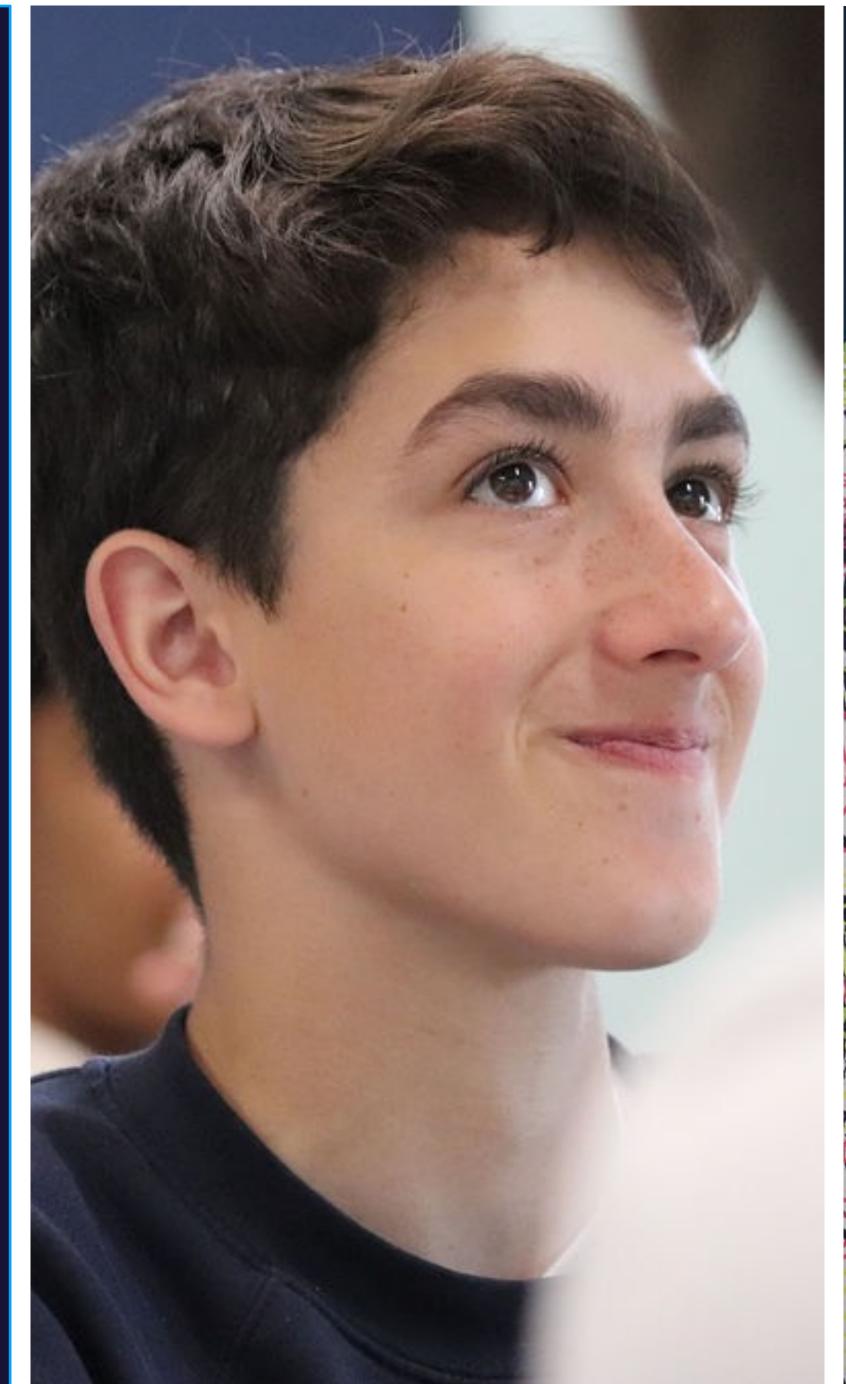


City/Town Experience – Explore the cultural, historic, and geographic aspects of their home surroundings.



Common good – a community service project. This unique offering supports our quest to master the academics yet see beyond this as the only educational outcome of school. This enables us to grow minds, as well as hearts, horizons, and social responsibility.

Students decide which order they follow and, in discussion with their personal tutor, agree the project, its direction and perceived outcomes. We aim for these projects to be as self-directed and challenged as possible.





"Prep for next" programme

Each student will be allocated a tutor who will act as their guide and mentor through their two-year programme. The tutor will ensure their wellbeing and mental health is prioritised.

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During the two years all students will engage in a practical, hands-on mini programme meant to supplement their ThIM! time. Students will participate in sessions led by experts, listen to presentations by outstanding speakers and be guided through practical session by the best in class.

Areas covered will include:

Coding Survival skills

Social etiquette
Cooking Vehicle maintenance
Public speaking Stress management

Personal finance/Tax/ Insurance Basic home repairs



It is envisaged that this "Prep for next" programme will run during the ThIM! day each week – though sessions will need to every to accommodate the practical nature of the course.

Careers and Further Ed/Gap Years

The final part of our ThIM! offering is the way in which we will inform and support each student in their choices of what to do following the end of Sixth Form, where they will do it, and how.



This work will obviously have started before they enter Sixth Form but now we press on in earnest. With the aid of various tools, we will enable every student to identify their strengths, unleash their passions, and home in on their future.

Through Career and University fairs, visits and speakers we will avail all students of their academic options if that is their path. Through work experience and a wide variety of opportunities we will support them and stretch them if they choose a more vocational route.

Finally, should they wish to take a Gap Year we will support their planning and advise on options and scholarships available – not least through our close ties to the Baret Scholarship Programme and our overseas partners.

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