

### **Provision for Gifted and Talented Pupils**

At Swanmore College of Technology, we provide extensive personalised support for Gifted and Talented pupils as part of the Every Child Matters agenda.

Pupils are presented with a curriculum which challenges and excites in an environment which celebrates excellence and is supportive of those who may, in years to come, break the boundaries of what we know and understand today. In all subjects, we promote the development of creativity, higher order thinking and leadership through the pursuit of excellence.

We seek to identify, monitor, track and support all pupils who have specific gifts or talents or have the potential to develop such abilities.

We work in close collaboration with partner schools to develop an extensive programme of enrichment at local and regional levels in order to extend provision for our wider community of Gifted and Talented pupils. Pupils are provided with opportunities to participate in activities such as 'One- Day Schools', visits to other schools, universities and businesses, subject specific and cross-curricular workshops, peer-mentoring and development of teaching and learning resources. We believe strongly in extending our boundaries beyond Swanmore College of Technology and are highly proactive in initiating such activities in order for our pupils to have access to a wider community of Gifted and Talented pupils.

We actively encourage all pupils who are deemed to be Gifted and Talented to become members of "Young, Gifted and Talented" (YGT) and to participate independently in local, regional and national events for Gifted and Talented pupils.

#### **Examples of Additional Activities provided for Gifted and Talented Pupils at Swanmore**

- Enrichment days at Universities and Colleges
- Challenge and competitions at other Schools, Universities and Colleges
- Enrichment visits to businesses such as IBM and Flybe
- Vacation Schools to develop leadership, teambuilding and collaboration (Eg 3 day Archaeology School)
- Winter schools during term time to link classroom learning to real life skills
- Maths Challenges run through Leeds University
- Extra-curricular clubs such as sports, art, drama and mathematical puzzles.
- Theatre trips and workshops

If you require further information on Gifted and Talented Provision at Swanmore College of Technology, please contact Mrs Whitfield (Assistant Headteacher co-ordinating Gifted and Talented Provision). If you have subject specific enquiries, please feel free to contact the relevant Head of Department through the college office.