



## ST THOMAS MORE RC SIXTH FORM

A Catholic Sixth Form serving the young people of North Tyneside

# JESSICA

**“The Sixth Form community is one of the best things”**

I study Art, English Literature and Textiles. I was advised to stay on at St Thomas More, but I ended up making the decision myself as I already knew all the staff well and felt that STM was the environment best suited to me for the next stage of my education.

The Sixth Form community is one of the best things about Sixth Form at St Thomas More. The majority of the students are a lot more polite and connected as a year group than in lower school. Having our own independent block to work in away from the rest of the school is something that we are grateful for, as it allows us to spend time working on our subjects and improving our chances of success. I find this particularly important with Art and Textiles, where having time to work independently is so important, and this is what I spend many of my study periods doing.

Charity work is an important part of your time at St Thomas More, and following the Lourdes Pilgrimage in April I joined the Pope John Paul II Award group on a Wednesday afternoon to get more involved in fundraising and volunteer work. The Sixth Form Charities Committee is a fantastic part of Sixth Form, putting on twice annual fundraising days and regularly raising around £1500 in a day for Breast Cancer or Sport / Comic Relief.

The best advice I can give to Year 11 is to choose something you know you really want to do. You will only be doing three subject next year so make sure you won't regret your decision.



## Day in the Life of a Sixth Form Student