Hanley Castle High School offers a unique educational experience. It is a school with a long history of academic excellence, combined with outstanding pastoral care.

Despite the challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic, 2021 was another brilliant year for the school. We are so proud of the way in which our students have responded to the new situation and new ways of working.

GCSE results show that Hanley Castle students are exceptionally high achievers. Typically, around 30% of all grades are awarded at Grades 7, 8 or 9. The percentage of students achieving the prestigious English Baccalaureate is almost twice the national average, with students achieving outstanding results in academic subjects such as English, mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics, history and music.

The school's success is based on a number of factors, including our traditional ethos and values, the outstanding quality of our teaching, unmatched international links, a strong musical tradition, a wide range of extra-curricular provision – and the magnificent manner in which our students embrace the many opportunities we offer.

Hanley Castle was last visited by Ofsted in June 2017. The inspection letter highlighted a number of strengths including:

- the excellent progress made by students resulting in academic success in a wide variety of subject areas
- the excellent behaviour and attitude of our students
- the wealth of enrichment activities offered by the school
- the quality of our sixth form and the success of our students in progressing to top universities, including Oxford and Cambridge

Since then, the school has continued to flourish, with new maths and humanities suites completed to accommodate our growing student population.