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All my life I've just wanted to be accepted and do well at school. When I was diagnosed with cancer I wasn't going to let it stop me.

I got meningitis when I was a baby and it affected my physical development – I'm partially sighted and have leg implants to help me walk. I was away from school a lot for treatment and had to work hard to keep up.

Then I got cancer. I was so shocked when the doctors told me. I just couldn't believe it. It was so sudden. It's terminal.

I joined The Prince's Trust xl programme to catch up with the work I'd missed because of my chemo. It's really helped me feel calmer and happier. I feel safe there. I've made new friends and I've taken my GCSEs.

My life is happy in some ways and quite sad in others. It's hard. But I'm not giving up. I'm keeping strong and it seems to be working. I want to work with children for my job – I like seeing people happy.



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