



In 1989 the Practice won a limited competition to design one of the first City Technology Colleges to be sponsored by **The Mercers' Livery Company of London** and Tarmac plc. A site was found in Telford new town for this new 1100 place school.

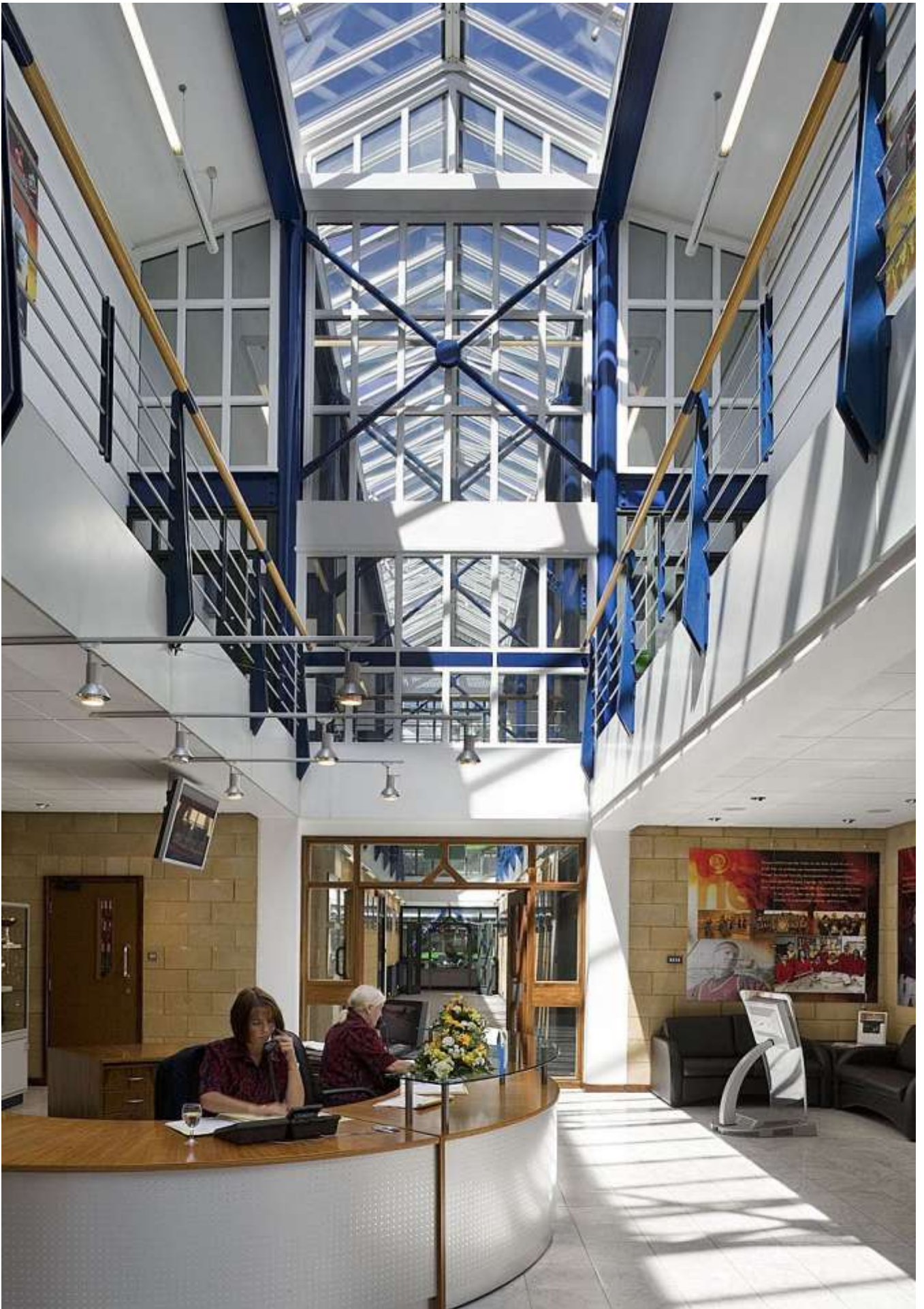
With the pioneering thinking of Professor Alan Brymer, education advisor to The Mercers, and Sir Michael Wakeford, Clerk to the company, BH&M designed an entirely new school from first and new principles to sit on what was the remains of an open cast mine site above Telford.



The teaching philosophy behind the school was entirely new and involved a departure from didactic teaching methods of old, with a resource-based learning strategy centred around “learning bases” where each pupil would have their own personal space and centre.

With the additional momentum of the first Headteacher, Kevin Satchwell, this School has achieved unprecedented examination success, which is more than matched by its phenomenal achievement in sport and the arts at a national level. The team that built this School subsequently commissioned BH&M for both the Walsall and Sandwell Academies which have now also been completed.

Top: Front of School
Middle: Distance Learning Centre
Above: Communal Dining Area



Above: School Reception