

HOW DID YOUR SCHOOL HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOLARS PROGRAMME?

We heard about The Scholars Programme from a contact at another school and implemented it based on their recommendation. The school has a high number of Pupil Premium pupils that do not follow university pathways, we run the programme to help inspire these pupils, who are also primarily from disadvantaged backgrounds. We choose to run the programme with Key Stage 4 to inspire pupils before they started their GCSEs.

CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE OF THE PROGRAMME?

The course was very interesting and the PhD tutor was very approachable. The pupils found the experience incredibly useful and liaised with the PhD tutor on a frequent basis through the VLE system. The launch trip was excellent and gave the pupils a great impression of university life.

All of the pupils found the scheme useful. One pupil, in particular, was very impressed by the programme and his ambition to pursue a university course in the future became very apparent. He had previously stated that he had no intention to pursue higher education, so it is evident that the programme transformed his future ambitions.

"I think the University Launch Trip was exciting because I liked to talk to those who work and study here, and they helped me by answering questions and making it clear that if you work hard you can achieve anything."

Pupils from The King's Church of England School on a trip to The University of Bristol