

# Briefing Email for School Colleagues

**This email can be sent to all school staff or heads of department to inform them about the participation of your school on The Scholars Programme:**

This term 14/28/42 of our Y5/6/7/8/9/10/12 students are going to be taking part in The Scholars Programme, run by The Brilliant Club (Registered Charity Number 1147771). This is a programme designed to support students to develop skills and knowledge to make ambitious and successful applications to universities, should that be what they decide they want to do. At the same time, students will be developing great academic skills to support their schoolwork day to day.

In [an independent evaluation of the programme's impact](#), UCAS found taking part made it "significantly more likely" students would progress to a competitive university compared to a control group of students with matched characteristics.

Students enrolled on The Scholars Programme work with a PhD researcher on a university-style module, based on the researcher's world-leading expertise. The programmes are pitched at a Key Stage above where students are currently studying and are designed to develop students' written and verbal communication, critical thinking and metacognition, through exciting, supra-curricular content.

(Optional: Students taking on the programme this term are: )

Taking part will mean that students may need to be taken out of some classes; we will endeavour keep disruption to a minimum. We will be supporting students to catch up with any work missed in a weekly after school session (X day if known). Thank you in advance for your support and co-operation.

If you have any questions about the programme, please contact [Mr/Ms/Mx \_\_\_\_\_]. Further information about The Brilliant Club can be found at [www.thebrilliantclub.org](http://www.thebrilliantclub.org)