

The Eastwood Scholars' Programme

Review of 2015-16 cohort

November 2016

What is the Scholars' Programme?

The Eastwood Scholars' Programme aims to challenge and stretch pupils and give them a 'taste of learning' at an advanced level.

The programme works with an organisation called 'The Brilliant Club', and is delivered by a university lecturer in school.

Pupils commit to attending two university visits, six tutorials, afterschool sessions and additional weekly homework. Lastly, pupils complete a final assignment of 2,000 words.

Programme Summary – 2015/16

Launch Trip – visited the University of Cambridge. Pupils took part in a carousel of activities, including a tutorial, a study skills lecture and campus tour.

Tutorials – pupils attend six tutorials led by a PhD tutor covering an area of their research expertise.

Graduation Event – visited King's College London.

A celebration day for pupils to see how far they have come and to think about what's next for them academically.

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“Do we get what we deserve?” The lack of diversity in Hollywood films led by Dr Jeeshan Gazi, University of Essex.

Pupils took part in six tutorials, led by the PhD tutor, covering:

- How to read film and its communication of ideology.
- How Hollywood cinema represents women.
- Exploring how race is communicated in film.
- How the production practices of Hollywood result in limited representation.
- Working towards a solution to the problem of representation in Hollywood cinema.

Who Participated?

Twelve AMA (Academically More Able) pupils participated in the programme.

Age: Seven from Year 9 and five from Year 10.

Gender: Three male and nine female.

Results

All twelve pupils who started the course finished and received a final grade between a 2:2 and a 1st.

Breakdown of results:

| Grade | Number of students |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 st | 1 |
| 2.1 | 10 |
| 2.2 | 1 |

Note: A 1st class assignment is roughly equivalent to a grade A at AS-Level, with a 2:1 being roughly equivalent to a grade B. However, the nature of the assignments does mean that marks may not always be comparable, as they would not necessarily fit neatly with AS-Level exam mark schemes.

Comparable Summer 2016 Results

The average performance across the Summer 2016:

| All pupils | Nationally | Regionally | Eastwood |
|---|------------|------------|----------|
| % registered pupils going on to submit final assignment | 80% | 67% | 100% |
| Tutorial attendance | 81% | 77% | 98% |
| % registered pupils achieving 2.1 or higher | 70% | 62% | 91% |
| % registered pupils not submitting | 19% | 32% | 0% |

Note: 168 schools across the country took part in the Scholars' Programme with "The Brilliant Club" in the summer of 2016 (with 20 schools in the East of England region).

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