Chrysalis Summer Schools

YEAR 12
This year, 90 students were registered for the four-day Year 12 programme which consisted of subject-specific tutorials including: English, mathematics, biology, chemistry, geography, history, art, economics, politics, philosophy and French and a series of workshops dealing with presentation skills and interview preparation. As usual, there was a series of UCAS seminars covering the whole university admissions’ process, from choosing institutions and courses to an individual ‘mock’ interview and seminars given by representatives from Oxford and Cambridge universities. Student comments included:

A very influential and informative four days. Fariborz Karimi (Drayton Manor School)

The most fun four days in the holiday. The information delivered was something that could be used for a lifetime. Beatrice Okankwo (London Academy of Excellence)

I didn’t expect it to have been this great. All the members of staff were fantastic, especially tutor Patrick. I found learning history enjoyable and fun, it is where my heart is. I have made up my mind. Sofina Ispah (Greig City Academy)

I came thinking this was going to be dull but was proven wrong and I loved every moment of it. Celine Henry (Greig City Academy)

An inspirational journey that gives you a valuable experience and takes you out of your shell. Lauren Kellman (Haringey Sixth Form Centre)

It was amazing, to dig deeper into a subject, excellent to improve on valuable life skills and gain invaluable UCAS tips. Gaifang Li (Henrietta Barnett School)

An extremely enjoyable experience – inspirational and informative. I would definitely do it again. Mariam Idriisi (St Mary Magdalen Academy)

Even better than I expected, it was an amazing opportunity. Shaybabs Akter (Ascand Burghly School)

Challenging but I had lots of fun. I am really glad that I did it. Joseph Sim (Alexandra Park School)

The tutorials and teacher James have really fuelled my passion for economics and strengthened my want to study at uni. Lule Halini (Parliament Hill School)

Make it longer. Lauren Wirrich (La Swap)

YEAR 10
The Year 10 programme attracted 45 pupils where the aim was to raise the aspirations of the students through subject-specific tutorials in mathematics, English, economics, science or philosophy. There was also a series of motivational workshops and an interview at which the pupils were able to discuss their future intentions. Feedback from this summer school included:

Amazing fun. Janelle Williams (Gladsmere Community School)

A great way to meet new people and possibly life changing. Throughout the academic tutorial experiences the people helping me have made me realise the things that I have to do in order to achieve my dream future. Ngocanh Tran (Kingsford Community School)

This has been amazing and I’ve met some awesome people. Petrina Welbeck (St Mary Magdalene Academy)

This experience was surprising as I didn’t think that I would enjoy it this much. It’s opened my eyes to myself. Male Adeolaolu (Kingsford Community School)

It was really interesting (philosophy) to speak about topics we wouldn’t normally think of talking about. Enoila Shiu (St Thomas More School)

The tutorials were very interesting and informative as well as being fun and engaging. They were different to what we would normally do in school and definitely added to my scientific knowledge. Serens Millen (Alexandra Park School)

It was enjoyable and creative. Fashima Haque (Regent High School)

Very interesting. The tutorial showed me the importance of ‘critical thinking’ and the brain teaser reminded me that any problems in life can be solved with effort. Derrick Amah (William Ellis School)

It has really benefited me. I am definitely coming back in year 12 as I will probably need another motivational boost by them. Markela Zeneli (Gladsmere Community School)

The sky is the limit. Summer school has taught me that. Eve Bramley (Alexandra Park School)
**Chrysalis for Looked After Children**

Over the past twelve months, Highgate has been working with the Virtual Heads of seven London boroughs to develop a Chrysalis University Access Programme for Looked After Children. This programme would start when the pupils are in Year 6 and continue with numerous interventions up to Year 13. Consultation has taken place with Professor Sonia Jackson at the Institute of Education and Michael Allerud at the Department of Education and the scheme has the support of the University of Cambridge, London School of Economics, University College London, King’s College London and the University of Hertfordshire as educational advisors who have offered their facilities to the project. Four events have already taken place and more are planned for this year.

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**Year 10 Taster Visit to Oxford University**

On Friday 21 June 2013, 42 Year 10 students from schools in Haringey spent a day at Christ Church as guests of Oxford University. They attended a talk about obtaining a place at the university, met a selection of current students, and had a tour of Christ Church before lunch in the dining hall. The day concluded with a visit to the Oxford Museum of Natural History for a hands-on session with a variety of exhibits.

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**Chrysalis Oxbridge Conference**

This is a new event which was trialled for the first time this year. The aim is to act as a catalyst, at an early stage, to pupils thinking of applying to either Oxford or Cambridge. There will be talks from admissions tutors, opportunities to meet current students and an opportunity to plan a strategy to maximise each individual’s chance of success.

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