

Supplementary Schools: Welcome to Spring Term!

In the Spotlight: **SIEVEMK Learning Gateway attend the Higher Education in FOCUS Programme at the University of Bedfordshire**



IntoUniversity Supplementary Schools Project is a 3 year project that aims to give specialist advice and information on Higher Education to Supplementary Schools all over the UK. Through fun interactive workshops for students, university trips, information sessions for parents and Teacher Training sessions for teachers, the team deliver all over the UK, working with many wonderful people from the Supplementary Education sector.

SIEVEMK Learning Gateway is a supplementary school, based in **Milton Keynes**, which aims to inspire young people to realise their full potential. **Since 2007**, classes in English, Maths and Science, amongst many other subjects, are ran by qualified teachers determined to make a difference in the lives of young people.

On the 16th February 2016 the **IntoUniversity Supplementary Schools Education Project** team, Shamiso and Alisha, took **thirty eight** SIEVEMK school students to the **University of Bedfordshire** for the day as part of the Higher Education in FOCUS programme.

With the help of Marie Bradburn and Tony Oyakhire (SIEVEMK), David Seaton and his team of ambassadors (University of Bedfordshire), and a lovely group of young people and their parents. It was a huge success with many of the students going home with fun memories, and lots of new information about university!

The day began with an inspiring introduction to university by David Seaton (Head of Student Recruitment), followed by a morning of interactive workshops, including IntoUniversity's very own 'What is a **University?**' workshop. The school students were then taken on a wonderful **Campus Tour** by student volunteers, where they visited the **Halls of Residence**, the **Sports Science labs** and the **Library**. In the afternoon students reflected upon their own educational aspirations, with a very brave group presenting their hopes and dreams for the future. Well done all!

76% of the students from SIEVEMK stated that they **are more likely to go to university** as a result of attending the Higher Education in FOCUS programme. **Centre Manager Marie** felt that the trip enabled students to **"think about their careers and to see that they really can achieve their career paths if they want to!"** A HUGE thank you to everyone involved and for making it such a memorable

Events near you soon- DON'T MISS OUT!

Museum of London Supplementary Schools Festival 5th-6th March 2016

Who? All Supplementary School students and families

What? Museum of London: Designing London Festival

Where? Museum of London; Docklands (E14 4AL)

When? 5th & 6th March 2016

Why? Discover London's past, present and future by exploring the history of some of London's greatest buildings and inventions. Take part in lots of creative and fun activities with your family- all for free!

For further details contact Emma Taylor at etaylor@museumoflondon.org.uk

BOOK NOW!

To book your school onto the Higher Education in FOCUS programme, or talk to us about Parents Information Sessions and Teacher Training call Alisha Kanabar on 0208 885 2048 or email alisha.kanabar@intouniversity.org

We look forward to hearing from you soon!