

SUMMER SCHOOL SUCCESS FOR BRISTOL STUDENTS

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A stuntwoman, a group of polar explorers and a Maths agony aunt will be working with 60 Bristol students this week at the coveted Summer Project, which is funded by the LSC (Learning and Skills Council) South West.

This residential week, held at Clifton College for 14/15 year olds, is now in its fifth successive year and is proving as popular as ever with students, their schools and more importantly their parents.

The Summer Project aims to give students added confidence and help them to consider the wide range of opportunities available to them at 16. It aims to help young people consider their future career and to make the right decisions about working towards the qualifications required to fulfil their ambitions.

'Feet of Green', a group of Polar explorers; Maths agony aunt Wendy Fortescue-Hubbard; and stunt woman and horse wrangler Abbi Collins are just some of the speakers who will conduct workshops to spark imaginations and inspire students.

Simon Miller, organiser of The Summer Project, said: "It's all of our responsibility to ensure that the interests and enthusiasm for learning is given the opportunity to develop. Our programme will demonstrate that both learning and hard work can be fun and rewarding."

Moyra Pascoe, Partnership Director for the LSC West of England said: "Focused learning in a relaxed, varied, interactive and fun environment is one of the best ways to motivate students."

“This initiative has grown in popularity over the past five years and we are delighted to support the project. We hope that the students enjoy the activities and find new confidence throughout the week.”

The Summer School Project invites schools in the Bristol area to nominate students who they feel may not otherwise take up post-16 education or skills training, despite having the ability to do so.

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