

# Reading Scholars Programme

On Thursday 18th January eight of our Year 10 students commenced their journey through a 'Reading Scholars Programme' at Reading University. The purpose of this programme is to help raise aspiration and to introduce students to higher education. We were part of the pilot programme last year and have been invited to participate again. There will be another four sessions.

The students will be working with Mentoring Ambassadors from the university whom we were introduced to. A big focus of this first day was on the goals and aspirations of the students. All the students worked really well through a workshop to help them set realistic targets and make plans to achieve them. They discussed possible setbacks and distractions and thought of ways that might help them overcome these obstacles. I was so impressed with the number of questions the students asked the Ambassadors and with their engagement in the activities. We return early February for day two!

