

# Scholars' Programme

The Scholars' Programme is a unique programme, tailored to meet the needs of our ambitious students, helping to prepare for progression to university and beyond. It seeks to broaden your intellectual horizons and help you challenge ideas.

Led by the former Deputy Dean of Education at King's College London, Victoria Syme-Taylor, the Scholars' Programme will support you to progress to the very best universities. You will regularly discuss important and relevant topics which will also support you in developing the core skills required for progression to competitive universities and employment. These skills include:

- Presentation skills
- Independent research
- Reading skills
- Effective communication for university level seminars
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- The development of resilience and resourcefulness

What are the key aspects of the Scholars' programme and why is it beneficial?

- Personalised support with applications for challenging and competitive universities
- Additional one-to-one 'stretch and challenge' work with their subject teachers
- Organised visits to the country's top universities
- Timetabled seminars
- Academic guest speakers
- Access to university library online academic resources
- An opportunity to meet like-minded students from other colleges
- Encourages involvement in external competitions run by universities

University Heads of Admissions often place considerable value on potential students who have participated in academic enrichment activities in and beyond their chosen subject area. This is because these students stand out against other applicants, who may have identical grades. The College has established links with a number of universities including:

