



## Students selected for a taste of University

Ten Havering Sixth Form College students got an early taste of university life this summer when they were selected to take part in the Sutton Trust summer school programme run at Oxford, Cambridge, Bristol and Nottingham universities.

The students, Ahsan Kibria who went to Oxford, Jack Jones, who went to Bristol, Jinsha Selvaraj, also Bristol, Mahdee Elahi, Nottingham, Hamesh Khatkar, Cambridge, George Mole, Cambridge, Raie Wilkins, also Cambridge, Oliver Sears, Oxford, Ali Razza Ahmad, Oxford and Sadiqur Rahman, also Oxford, joined nearly 1,000 others from across the country to spend a week going to lectures, labs and tutorials in their chosen subject, while staying on campus and sampling student life.

The summer schools are designed to give sixth form students a taste of university, with studying and social activities for those interested in subjects including English, Maths, French, German, Spanish, Law, Physics, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Classics, History, Music, Medicine and Theology. They were able to compare what it would be like studying at university compared to college.

Havering Sixth Form College student Ahsan Kibria attended the physics strand of the Sutton Trust Summer School at Oxford University. He said: "Oxford is one of the most highly recognised universities in the world so I thought it would be really great to attend the summer school.

"Everyone knows the name Oxford, so I wanted to see what it was all about. I've enjoyed the electronics activity and the salsa dancing! I will make an application to Oxford because I really like the atmosphere."

The first Sutton Trust summer school was held at Oxford in 1997 and after this year's programme the university is launching its new UNIQ summer school, starting in 2010.