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15 September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: The Scholars Programme 2022-2023

I am pleased to inform you that your child has been identified by their teacher for being a high attaining pupil here at The Gateway Academy. As such your child has been selected to take part in The Scholars Programme this autumn term.

This is an academic programme run by The Brilliant Club, and we hope your child will benefit from this opportunity.

The Scholars Programme will provide your child with the opportunity to work with a University PhD researcher and gain experience of studying at a university level. During the programme your child's PhD tutor, will share their subject knowledge and passion for learning, the aim of the programme will challenge your child and support them in developing key academic skills, giving them the knowledge and confidence to help secure a place at a competitive university.

Your child will learn about life as a university student at launch and graduations ceremonies, during these ceremonies they will have the opportunity to ask current university students any questions they might have. Although university may not be for everyone, The Scholars Programme aims to give children an experience of university learning to help them make an informed decision, you will be provided with further information on the tutorial sessions, launch and graduation events.

The Scholars Programme will begin with a **Launch Event** on Thursday 13 October 2022 at Goldsmith University, in London for all The Gateway Academy students taking part in the programme. This is an all-day event with an exciting opportunity to introduce your child to The Scholars Programme and give them a taster of student life at a competitive university, food will be provided to your child at the University on this day.

Towards the end of this programme, your child will need to complete a final assignment that will be of 1000 and 1500 words, this will allow you child to show the progress they have made from parting part in the programme. The date for the submission of your child's final assignment will be **Wednesday 11 January 2023**.

The Scholar Programme will start in October, and will run until February 2023 at the following times:

Year 7 students will attend on Mondays 15:00 until 16:00

Year 8 students will attend on Wednesdays 15:00 until 16:00 (group A) and on Fridays 15:00 until 16:00 (group B)

Year 9 students will attend on Wednesdays 15:00 until 16:00 (group A) and on Fridays 15:00 until 16:00 (group)

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The GLC is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.





To ensure you child receives the most from The Scholars Programme, we would encourage you to speak with your child about how they find the experience and remind them about completing their assignments. You will receive updates on how to support your child at home with their school work through the GLC monthly newsletter.

Further information about The Scholars Programme can also be found on The Brilliant Club website: <https://thebrilliantclub.org/> with specific parent information found by clicking "Already working with us" and selecting **The Scholars Programme**, then select **Parents and Carers**. Please click on the link to complete the consent form: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4989851>

We hope that you child has a fantastic experience with The Brilliant Club, through The Scholars Programme. Should you have any questions about the programme, please do not hesitate to contact me on telephone number 01375 489000 or via email at Lovette.monyei@theglc.org.uk

Yours Sincerely

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GLC More Able Lead

REPLY SLIP

I give permission for _____ (*Student Name*) to attend The Scholars Programme from 3:00pm – 4:00pm either on Mondays, on Wednesdays or on Fridays and Wednesdays from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm, starting on Monday 31st October 2022.

Any medical conditions/food allergies

*I am happy for my child to walk home at 4.00 pm

*I will arrange to collect my child at 4.00 pm

(*please tick the appropriate box above)

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact Number _____

Signature: _____ (*Parent/Carer*)

Date: _____