

Platanos College News

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King's College Legal Outreach at Platanos College

On Monday 2nd December, three representatives from King's College, University of London's Law Society visited the school. The purpose of the visit was to deliver a talk on pathways into Law for our Year 11 pupils.

The talk focused on what it would be like to study Law both as an academic subject, as well as a future career. The talk was organised in the hope that this may guide some of our Year 11 pupils to consider the variety of routes available to them following Platanos College.

We had 70 pupils who signed up to attend. This was almost double the amount of pupils who attended last year, demonstrating that pupils are actively interested in exploring a range of routes before considering college applications.

Pupils were overwhelmingly positive about the session. This was clear from our evaluation of the event where pupils agreed that it was both inspirational and thought provoking. Some comments included:

- "It has made me more welcome to the idea of going to university."
- "The experience has influenced me to do more research on law."
- "It has made me think about the different areas of law; I am keen to explore banking law."

Some pupils were impacted by the talk by becoming more aware and determined to research different areas of Law. This included finding out about a variety of career paths that exist such as working as a barrister, solicitor, or legal secretary. Some pupils felt that Law was not the right path for them, but were enthused about the prospect of studying further at a university. Additionally, to also consider the range of universities on offer and what they can offer.

In either case, we are very pleased that pupils are reflecting on key questions regarding their next steps after Platanos College. The pupils attending the talk were both polite and extremely inquisitive to our visitors, demonstrating both features of our motto, "Attitude Determines Altitude".

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