

Platanos College News

Wednesday 21st February 2018

Fuellers Academic Lecture Series, Spring 2018

On Wednesday 21st February 2018, I was lucky enough to be invited to a seminar alongside fellow year 10 and 11 pupils. I felt honoured because I knew how much this would benefit me in the future.

Each of the speakers came from an entrepreneurial background and all had different success stories. An example of an inspirational story was one speaker who was raised in London with an ambition to be in the Olympics. She had to balance her training with her studies and starting her own business. What really stood out for me was that she never gave up, even when her business wasn't doing as well as she thought, but she persevered with all elements of her training, studies and the new business and overcame her challenges. A key message from her, and the other speakers, was the importance of resilience in wanting to be a success.





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Attitude Determines Altitude

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Another speaker, who grew up in South America, set up a translation business and is making a huge success of his new company. He had a passion for languages and so he started a company with his friend selling books to families with children. The book would start in English and end in another language, such as Spanish or French. His company was so successful that he ended up on the BBC show “Dragons Den”. What stood out the most for me was how he found ways around the problems he encountered as well as his example of leadership.

I personally enjoyed it; it allowed me to gain an insight into the lives of the successful and upcoming entrepreneurs of London. It has helped me in my consideration for future career choices and the steps needed to get there.

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The Year 10 and 11 pupils invited to this lecture were:

Chung Ping-Xu
Tatiana Teofilo
Jasmine Scott
Precious N’Gbale
Ieva Knocevicute
Ron Krasniqi
Amin Abdulle
Tyrese Obika
Holly Freitas
Tyrese Simms-Trotman

Bethlehem Fikrie
Uzer Mughal
Hugo Teixeira Gomes
Keni Duguma
Zoe Lau
Muntasir Miah
Daniel Gatward
Hanan Yassien
Asar Conteh
Kelly Sarava
David Mendonca
Olivia Ramroop-Edwards
Miseb Gjetaj
Sadiq Muhudin