

Platanos College News

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Platanos College pupils research local history

Platanos College pupils recently took part in an extended research project to explore the rich local history as part of a Photofusion project.

Platanos College pupils assumed the roles of historians and photographers to delve into the history and lives of the local community through the use of photography and oral history interviews, a technique trained by the British Library.

The work contributed to an exhibition on display this month, a showcase which includes artists, poets and social activists who campaigned for better education and equalities.

Daniel Ennis, a Platanos College pupil in Year 11, said: *“This project has broadened my views about history and has opened my eyes to history that was on my doorstep. It has also taught me an invaluable lesson on the importance of equalities. Equal opportunities should have no barriers.”*

Lydia, another pupil, said: *“The project was enlightening. It was wonderful to have the opportunity to work with our community groups to understand our very own history.”*

Amira said: *“I really enjoyed the project. Research is a skill that I believe will be very useful to me throughout my life.”*

The Platanos College pupils involved were Daniel Ennis, Patrick Ballesteros, Lydia Amoabeng, Jerry Florez and Amira Hassan.