

# Platanos College News

## IntoUniversity: Choosing Success Workshop

Thursday 14th  
September 2017

### IntoUniversity

Provides local learning centres where young people are inspired to achieve.

Each local centre offers an innovative programme that supports young people to attain either a university place or another chosen aspiration.

### Choosing Success

To identify the personal skills and qualities that you have.

To link your skills and qualities to different future education and career goals and explain how you can develop them.



Pupils were taken out of their comfort zones, by working with others they were unfamiliar with. Despite this, the Year 7s gave their all to every activity. Games were used to raise the energy at key points, becoming increasingly demanding of their focus, trust and involvement each time.

Each pupil was given a workbook which will accompany them throughout the next five years as an IntoUniversity pupil. The Year 7s used the workbook in order to help them reflect and visualise their thoughts.

By the end of the day, the Year 7s were able to understand the importance of developing skills and making smart choices in order to achieve success.

On Thursday 14th September, 32 of our new Year 7 pupils took part in their first IntoUniversity workshop.

Most of our pupils were excited, as the Choosing Success workshop was offsite at the Brixton office, Brixton Hill.

The workshop was designed to identify personal skills that they have or that they want to improve and set some goals for the future.

The IntoUniversity staff demonstrated their expertise at harnessing the Year 7s excitement and using it to draw out the best from each pupil.



### Pupil Voice

*"It was a very interesting trip to experience"*

*"It was an exciting experience and it was fun."*

*"It was fun, I thought of my future goal to become an architect."*

