



Nuffield Research Placement Scheme

Course Information

If you are interested in science, engineering, maths or technology then you will want to consider applying for a Nuffield placement.

Why should I apply?

The placement will teach you a lot about your chosen subject and give you important experience for your university application.

When and where do they take place?

Placements are for four to five weeks and take place during the summer holiday between Year 12 and Year 13. They will be based at a local university, company or research institution.

What will I do?

You will work on a research project with a professional in that field. They will supervise you and teach you new techniques, but the idea is you will be doing things for yourself. Projects range from medical research to asteroids and everything inbetween.

Will it cost me anything?

No, you will be able to claim back the travelling expenses to your placement and, depending on your family circumstances, you may be entitled to a payment of £80 per week.

How do I apply?

Talk to Mrs Cattermole, Sixth Form Learning Mentor.



In the last few years, Cavendish Sixth Form students have been awarded placements and this is what they think:

“I worked on things and used equipment that I could never dream of using at school.”

“The placement gave me confidence and prepared me for university. It was the first time I had ever written a professional scientific report.”

“My placement gave me something relevant and important to write about in my university application.”

“My supervisor really helped me and talked to me about which course to apply for at university.”

“I worked on Zebrafish embryo development and learnt a lot about biology. My advice to others would be go for it - labs can be really fun and you will enjoy the experience more than you think.”

