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Ormiston Students are Cambridge Scholars

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Year 10 students at Ormiston Venture Academy had the enviable opportunity to take part in a day of learning at Cambridge University last week along with other students in the area.

The Sutton Scholars Programme is run by Cambridge University with the aim of encouraging students from all backgrounds to apply to higher education. Students in Year 10 are now in their second year of this experience, having already paid Cambridge a visit earlier in the year as well as being given the chance to compare it to a university in central London.

On this occasion, the day enabled students to experience a day of learning at Girton College. This was the first Cambridge College to permit women to apply for university. Students worked in small groups and had the chance to interview one of the undergraduates before analysing an exhibition of portraits. They had to carefully study the characters on display for clues about their lives, before creating a story using their imaginations. All ideas were presented in the main hall in front of Girton College students and lecturers.

The day was completed in style with a lecture on imagery from Professor Stephen Harrison that all students and accompanying staff enjoyed. Tia-Paige Davie commented, "I really like the college. It's incredible and it reminds me of Hogwarts in Harry Potter."

Assistant Principal Spencer Doggett accompanied students to Cambridge. "What better way to inspire students to apply for university? At Ormiston Venture Academy we believe that all students should aspire to be the very best they can be and aim for the very top. A snapshot of university life at Girton College Cambridge certainly comes into the category of world class education and inspired our students no end."

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