



# TVLP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

*The very essence of leadership is that you have to have vision*

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PREPARING OUR FUTURE LEADERS

St Joseph's Catholic High School hosted this year's TVLP Student Leadership Conference, which brought together over 100 students from across 9 TVLP schools.

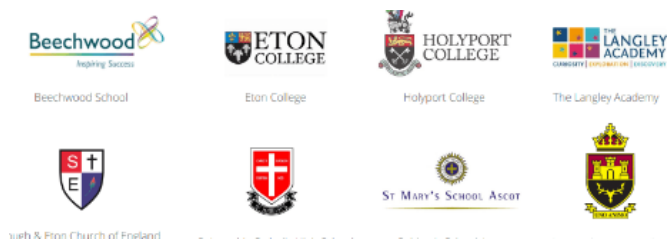
The day commenced with a welcome speech from Mr Stapleton, the Headteacher at St Joseph's Catholic High School, and was followed by a talk by our key note speaker Baroness Helena Morrissey, who is a Member of the House of Lords and a founder of the 30% Club.

Later in the day, students got into mixed school groups to plan their Dragons' Den pitches, which aimed to look at a local

social, economic or environmental cause. Areas they chose to focus on varied and included food poverty, the environment and pot holes



## SCHOOLS IN THE THAMES VALLEY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP



## SLOUGH AND ETON PREFECT FEEDBACK

I believe that the TVLP trip was a *true eye opener in the essence of teamwork*; it has enabled me to integrate my ideas, coordinate and organize as a team to deliver a presentation to a sizeable audience. To further add to the fact, the TVLP trip has also broadened my understanding and utilization of critical interpersonal and soft skills, by improving

confidence when presenting, communication with newly met teammates and group organization: by assigning roles and gathering information to fabricate an efficient work structure. My favourite part of the trip was our team-constructing task, we were giving a set of pasta with duck-tape and 5 minutes to assemble the tallest possible structure. It

exhibited our qualities and helped us work efficiently as a team whilst also allowing us to get to know each other better. Ultimately, our trip to St. Joseph's was awe-inspiring as we were presented with the ability to be around like-minded people and strengthen our leadership. It has been an exceedingly joyful experience and I'd love to go again.

*"If a window of opportunity appears, don't pull down the shade"*

Tom Peters

## TVLP

### FEEDBACK FROM OUR PREFECTS

"I really enjoyed the trip as it helped me feel more confident and comfortable with working with new people. I was also able to share my ideas without the fear of being judged. I met 5 amazing people who I hope I will be able to work with again in future conferences. "



### Developing our Characteristics of The Slough and Eton Learner

**C**ommunication:

**H**onesty

**R**esponsibility

**I**nitiative

**T**olerance

*Hold yourself responsible for a higher standard than anybody expects of you. Never excuse yourself.*

*Henry Ward Beecher*

*"A good objective of leadership is to help those who are doing poorly to do well and to help those who are doing well to do even better."*

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### YOU LEARN NEW SKILLS

I really enjoyed the TVLP trip. I made loads of new friends and developed some of my speaking skills. Also, I'm more comfortable talking to a wider audience.

Also, I would like to have the training that you were talking about since sometimes I struggle to speak in front of loads of people "

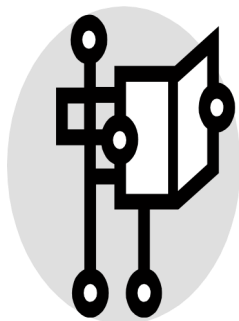
"I really enjoyed the TVLP trip as it enabled me to further improve my confidence as I was grouped up with people I had not met before, and we completed tasks together.

The tasks were fun and challenging and it really encouraged you to think and talk amongst each other - which was a good ice breaker.

The Dragons den challenge was particularly interesting as

the ideas that other people had were very intriguing and thoughtful.

Overall, the event was fun and I am grateful that I was able to attend".

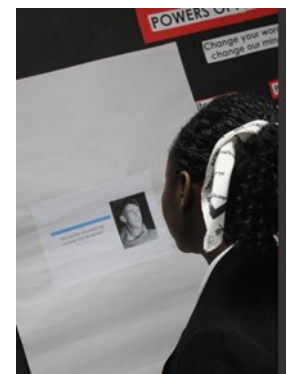


### ENGAGE WITH OTHERS

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"I really enjoyed the trip it was a fun way to engage with other schools. We worked on our communication and teamwork skills to complete a variety of activities including writing a speech for a chosen charity, which if picked would have a sum of money donated to them. It was a fun way to connect with individuals who are new to us. "



*"I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep; I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion. Alexander the Great*