

## Stratford School Academy pupils sample university life

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Year 9 computing students at Stratford School Academy paid a visit to Greenwich University, where they toured the iconic maritime campus, chapel, painted hall and King William labs.

The 27 pupils were then given taster session, which including creating computer games in under an hour, as well as making a website using HTML.

"I will definitely consider continuing my education at university," said student Fahad Mirza.

"I enjoyed it a lot because the staff at the university were very welcoming and they created a stimulating and friendly working environment. The facilities and equipment they had were very enjoyable to work with and I learnt a lot."

Senior IT lecturer Andy Wicks, who led the class with Darren Lloyd Gent, added:

"The pupils are bright, interested and enthusiastic - exactly the sort who have a bright future ahead of them.

"They were able to explore an area they had not seen before, apply what they found and then use that knowledge in new situations. It is the experimentation that they enjoy and that re-enforces understanding."