



Talk the Talk

On 20th June, 2018 students from **Nailsea School** worked with expert trainers from the education charity **Talk the Talk**. Talk The Talk's mission is to improve students' communication skills to enable positive interaction in all life situations.

Over 30 students from **Nailsea School** took part in the master class **Talk About Communication**, an exciting and engaging workshop that developed essential speaking and listening skills. The students learned how to use persuasive language techniques to get 'their message' across, with a view to improving employability skills, interview techniques and key presentation skills. The highly effective coaching enabled the students to deliver a structured two-minute presentation, on a topic for which they have a genuine passion, to their peers.

Nailsea School teacher Mrs Ruddy Curriculum Leader for English, who organised the visit was extremely impressed by the progress made by all of the students that took part saying:

"For many of these students the idea of standing in front of an audience and delivering a presentation prior to the course would have been inconceivable, but seeing the progress they have made throughout the day has been phenomenal – the speeches were delivered with structure, confidence and passion. I am very impressed, as were the facilitators."

A spokesperson for **Talk the Talk** said:

"There is no doubt that grades open the door to opportunity for our students. But when they walk through that door – it is a completely different set of skills. We are striving to ensure that all young people are suitably equipped with the essential tools and skills to communicate confidently in a variety of situations – both within school and in their lives beyond".

The educational charity has trained over 15,000 students in the past twelve months in England and Wales and nearly 75,000 since they first started - using a programme developed over the past six years.

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