

Richmond School



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SMART APPROACH: RICHMOND SCHOOL STUDENTS WIN HIGH PRAISE ABOUT THEIR DRESS FROM OFFICIALS AT LLOYDS OF LONDON

BUDDING economists have been praised for their appearance by city officials in one of the major financial capitals of the world.

Young people are too often maligned for their dress sense, however, students from Richmond School were commended for their smartness by an official at Lloyds of London.

“We did feel we ought to make an effort,” said Avril Hunter, 16, of Muker. “It was great to be able to dress up for a change – we felt like businessmen – and it was nice that our efforts were appreciated.”

Ten sixth form students from Richmond School embarked on the trip to London as part of their A Level economics studies.

As well as visiting insurance institution Lloyds of London, where they saw the famous Lutine Bell rung when there is a major loss, they attended the Stock Exchange and the Bank of England where they got to hold a 2st gold bar worth £163,000.

Head of economics and business studies Martin Towell said: “It is very important to take students out of the classroom and into the real world, in this case to London for an appreciation of how important the capital’s financial markets are to the global economy.

“It was a very privileged trip and I am delighted they won praise for their appearance and behaviour. Their dress code allowed them to fit in with other workers on the trading floor and gave them access to areas normally not seen by the general public.”

The trip has inspired some of the students to pursue careers in the city.